

MASS INTENTIONS

Thirty–Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Saturday 7 th November -	6.30pm	The Dear Family (Int)
Sunday 8 th November - Remembrance Day	9.00am	Alan Palmer (R.I.P)
	11.00am	John Barry (Int)
Monday 9 th November – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.00am	John Kirk (R.I.P)
Tuesday 10 th November – St Leo the Great	10.00am	Deceased Members of the Galiyot Family
Wednesday 11 th November - St Martin of Tours	9.00am	Dennis Murphy
Thursday 12 th November – St Josaphat	9.00am	Members of the Miranda Family (R.I.P)
Friday 13 th November – Fiera	9.00am	Deceased Members of the John Abel Family
Saturday 14 th November - Fiera	9.00am	Mr & Mrs Clarence (R.I.P)

Thirty–Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 14 th November -	6.30pm	Nora McDarby (R.I.P)
Sunday 15 th November - World Day of the Poor	9.00am	Mrs Dorothy Castelino (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Holy Souls

Peace Garden

Our parish of St. Albans reflected on the mysteries of the rosary. Three families and our primary school produced beautiful displays of the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries. These are now displayed in our parish garden. Also under ‘Events’ on our parish website, we have an account of the celebration that took place on the 16th August, The Feast of the Assumption.



ST ALBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

(Langdale Gardens)

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Thirty–Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

7th & 8th November 2020

Dear Friends,

Today our Lord tells his disciples the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. He encourages us to always be awake and ready. In the second reading, Paul encourages us to remain in a state of readiness because in that way we will surely meet the Lord. “With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.” We may not know the day or the hour, but what we do know is that it is within our power to be always ready to meet the Lord.

This is a difficult time for all of us as the statement from the Bishops conference put it ‘The announcement of a new ‘national lockdown’ in England will, we know, bring hardship, distress and suffering to many. We must hope and pray that this is an effective strategy against a growing pandemic which has tragically taken so many lives already and threatens so many more’.

We thank our stewards for making our community safe over the last few months as we now enter into this new phase, we pray that we will be united with Christ in our prayer and concern for each other.

Even though we cannot celebrate the Eucharist at this time, our Church will be opened every day for private prayer and open at the weekend at the usual times. We look forward to meeting again around the Lord’s Table at the beginning of December.

God Bless,

Father Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Michael Balfour, Vincent Brady, Rose Cahill, John Carty, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Desmond family, Gerry Dique, Anthony Doherty, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Jenny Jones, Ann Kelly, Neil Kelly, Sheila Leahy, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, John Morriseon Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Nellie Ringrose, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Clara Yankey, Teresa Pitman, Julia Joseph, Mary Kakari, John Barry, Sarah Content, Celia Desmond, Teresa Shorey, Jean Berry, Dennis Doherty, Francesca Kelly, Paul & Eva AU, Rose Dique, Jim Nolan, George Kiparrisi, Rosetta Reehill, William Bradbury, Roy Francis, Rob Brown, Dylan Dunbar, Nell Addison, Tom & Maureen Gorham, Jack Lawless, Maisie Glennon and Michael Dear, Kathleen Kavanagh, Mathew John, Doreen Banister

Repository

No need to spend ages walking around in the cold for ideas for Christmas. Your repository shop has a selection of cards/scented candles/calendars/rosaries/crosses/missals/bracelets/reed diffusers etc... If you cannot see what you want, we may be able to order it for you. Put Christ back into Christmas and support your parish. Liz Preston 01708 525186

We have been asked to provide details so that parishioners can pay their donations by direct debit or standing order. It is an easier form of donation the details are as follows

Bank HSBC

Account name: Catholic Church Elm Park St Albans

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 31019848

We can still collect the gift aid off these donations so please remember to fill in the gift aid form.

Thank you

Rest in Peace

November is the month specially dedicated to prayer for our departed loved ones and all who have gone before us. If you would like the deceased members of your family remembered, please fill in the form at the back of the church and place it in the box, which will go on the Altar during November.

200 Club Winners

M Galley, E Sweeney, Alison Wallace and Monika Downs please pick up your cheques from Father Maurice.

Right to life campaign

Have requested our help in getting the word out about the Stand Up and Smile campaign to protect babies with cleft-lip, cleft palate and clubfoot who can still be aborted right up to birth. A group of MPs have put a Bill forward to change the law to clarify these are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Find out more about the Bill and the families supporting it www.standupandsmile.org.uk We will be putting a prayer in every week **Sunday 8th November** - *"For all going through difficult pregnancies, we pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities. Lord hear us"*

Reception Admissions September 2021 St Alban's School

Due to the lockdown, the school is unable to provide the normal face-to-face tours, not a perfect situation but the safety for the children is the first priority

We hope that you can 'meet' us at 7pm on the 10th November via Zoom. Please contact the school office by telephone - 01708 555644 for the link or email contact@st-albans.havering.sch.uk

Signing of Primary School Forms

If your child is eligible to apply for a primary school place in September 2021, Father Maurice will be signing forms on Sunday 6th December from 5-7pm and Monday 7th December from 6-7pm

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Squires who died recently. Her remains will be brought into the church next Wednesday 11th November at 4.30pm and her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 12th November at 12.30pm. May she rest in peace

S.V.P

There will be a second collection on the 5th and 6th December for the St Vincent de Paul Society which helps to support those in need.

Confirmation

We regret we will have to postpone the confirmation sessions for the time being but we do hope to start before Christmas. The Brentwood BCYS is offering a weekly Youth Mass on Wednesdays at 8pm, via Instagram as a fixed point in the week for young people to have a little oasis of peace and prayer. We know from the first lockdown that part of the key to navigating it is to have a routine, and so we hope this helps. **Search @brentwoodcys on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter**