

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> April -	6.30pm	Bill Shorey (R.I.P)
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> April –	9.00am	Gordon Reade-Hill (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Giovanna Azar
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April – Feria	9.00am	Marie Brennan Birthday Int
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April – Feria	10.00am	Paul and Si Ling Wedding Int
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April - Feria	9.00am	Mr Anthony Swamy (R.I.P)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April Feria	9.00am	Emmanuel Formosa (R.I.P) & Alfreda Willis (R.I.P)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April – Feria	9.00am	Christopher Andrew Almeida (R.I.P)
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> April - Feria	9.00am	Mrs Jennifer McBrearty Int

**Third Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> April -	6.30pm	Francis Nolan (R.I.P)
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> April –	9.00am	Anne Turner Birthday Int
	11.00am	Carmel Flanagan (R.I.P)

**READING THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

One of the features of the Easter season is our daily reading of the Acts of the Apostles. Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest of Gidea Park and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, has prepared two audio talks on this interesting book. They can be accessed at any time free of charge by simply going to the homepage of [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) It is hoped they will be a useful accompaniment to our daily reading from Acts.

**ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER**

(Langdale Gardens)

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**10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Dear Friends,

“Peace be with You” – the comforting and gentle words of Jesus in today’s Gospel, and in these times of challenge we really need those words to touch all hearts. In today’s Mass, let us look at our own hearts. Let us truly be people of peace.

We see the Apostles gripped in fear and the door shut. They could not break through that fear and they were in need of Jesus, so he came to comfort them. The words “Peace be with you” must have been a wonderful comfort to them. Can you imagine the excitement and the shouts of recognition?

There is a beautiful picture, maybe you know the one I am talking about – the figure of Jesus knocking at the door seeking admission into our lives.

The Risen Christ stands amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that he gives them, is a peace of body, of mind and of spirit and it moves the disciples from their despair and being ‘locked away’ to ‘rejoicing’. Jesus then asks the disciples to be an unending witness to God’s love. They, and we, are invited to be for others what Jesus has been for them. The Risen Christ is active in all our lives and in the world around us, but we must be careful not to close ourselves off or let fear take over. John tells us that he writes these things so that we may come to believe and have life. Our call is to bring this peace and joy to others, ‘so I send you’. Who can you reach out to this week?

*God Bless and Keep Safe,  
 Father Maurice*

**Please pray for all who are sick, including:**

Nell Addison, Paul & Ava Au, Michael Balfour, Doreen Banister, John Barry, William Bradbury, Vincent Brady, Rob Brown, Rose Cahill, John Carty, Sarah Content, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Celia Desmond, Desmond family, Dennis Doherty, Gerry Dique, Rose Dique, Anthony Doherty, Charlotte Dudenney, Dylan Dunbar, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Father Joe Farrell, Sheila Fry, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Sandra James, Mathew John, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Mary Kakari, Kathleen Kavanagh, Ann Kelly, Francesca Kelly, Neil Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, George Kiparrisi, Jack Lawless, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, John Morrisson, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Baby Teegan Oakley, Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Teresa Pitman, Baby Teddy Rands, Rosetta Reehill, Nellie Ringrose, Dorothy Ryan, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles and Clara Yankey

**Repository**

Due to Tier 4 restrictions, we can offer a "phone and collect" or delivery service. This year with the pandemic, we are not able to see our loved ones at Easter, so why not send them a card. We have cards and gifts for all occasions, as well as Mass cards, sympathy cards, candles, rosaries etc. Just ring Liz if there is anything in particular you need. **Liz Preston - 01708 525186**

**Donations and Gift Aid Form**

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 for these donations so please remember to fill in the gift aid form.

**Standing order Donations**

Could the following people who already make a standing order donation please come into the office or phone the presbytery, David Morris and JG & DC Kennelly. We have some paperwork we would like to discuss.

**Thank you**

We thank all those who made the Holy Week services special for all of us in these Covid times. We thank Frank and all the dedicated stewards who made sure that we were all safe. We thank the readers and Michelle who provided the music for us through all the services. It was different from every other year but thankfully, we were able to meet together despite the restrictions. Nevertheless, you all made it prayerful and devotional.

**Rest In Peace**

With great sadness, we announce the death of Michael Dear; we extend our sympathy to his family at this time. His Requiem Mass will take place this Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00pm

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of James Driver who died recently. We extend our sympathy to his mum and dad Kathy and Alan and his sister Maria.

**May they rest in peace.**

**Baptisms**

Congratulations to Jessie and Jason Prenga who were baptised this week. We wish them and their family all of God's blessings for their future happiness and wellbeing.

We also congratulate Abbie Carr who was baptised on Easter Sunday we wish her all the best as she continues her journey of faith with us.

We also warmly welcome Joseph Fernandes who was baptised on Easter Monday and wish him God's courage and strength as he also journeys with us in the faith.

**Welcome**

We also had the privilege of welcoming Stuart Halstead into full communion with the Catholic Church. Stuart has been parish priest at St Alban's Anglican Church in Ilford for 11 years he has decided to join us. He hopes to start seminary in September and to be ordained as a priest of our diocese next year. We wish him every blessing for his future and as a member of our parish, his new St Alban's, we support and pray for him. No doubt, he will bring something special to our parish and the diocese.

**Stand Up and Smile Campaign:**

As we celebrate the Feast of the Divine Mercy we remember the words of St Faustina: "that in difficult moments we might not despair... but with great confidence submit ourselves to God's holy will, which is love and mercy itself". We pray these words especially for all women considering abortion, that the love, hope and mercy of Christ would be with them in their difficulty, and that they would find care and support in their family and friends so that they can keep their unborn child. Lord hear us"

**Gift Aid Envelopes**

Thank you for your continued effort over the last year it has been much appreciated. The envelopes are a great way for the Church to get a little more from the taxman so if you are working and putting into the weekly collection and have not already made a gift aid declaration please come to the office and we will be able to help you. It will only take a couple of minutes and is completely confidential.