

MASS INTENTIONS
Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Saturday 24 th April -	6.30pm	John Dwyer (R.I.P)
Sunday 25 th April –	9.00am	Nigel D'Souza Thanksgiving and Int
	11.00am	Veronica Beddoes-Jones (R.I.P)
Monday 26 th April – Feria	9.00am	Edward Di Marscio (R.I.P)
Tuesday 27 th April – Feria	10.00am	Maureen Laane get well intentions
Wednesday 28 th April - St Catherine of Siena	9.00am	Wilson & Anita Lopez 25 th Wedding Anniversary
Thursday 29 th April Feria	9.00am	Peter Clerkin (R.I.P)
Friday 30 th April – Feria	9.00am	Gerald Lawlor (R.I.P)
Saturday 1 st May - Feria	9.00am	Father Maurice Int

Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Saturday 1 st May -	6.30pm	Sr Annunciata's Int
Sunday 2 nd May –	9.00am	Livia Joanna Paes in Thanksgiving
	11.00am	Delmira Rodrigues (R.I.P)

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

Universal – the world of finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

(Langdale Gardens)

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24th & 25th April 2021

Dear Friends,

Every person has the vocation to be human. It is the most fundamental of all personal calls from God and is offered to every human being. It comes at conception, when each one is called to become human, as a woman or as a man. Men and women are not born, only baby boys and girls are! Written into every fabric of their bodies is God's call to become a man or a woman. It is a vocation that lasts throughout life and gives an opportunity for all to come to a personal awareness and experience of the divine mystery.

A vocation to anything in life begins at baptism. By becoming a member of the Church, a person is called to share in its mission by some kind of service or ministry within the Church. Such a service will depend upon the giftedness of persons and the needs of the Church. Though a vocation may not begin with a desire in one's heart, it is the Church that invites an individual to a ministry and makes the final discernment of a true vocation from God.

Today is the World day of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. It is a day when our Church is asked to reflect upon its need for vocations to religious life and Priesthood. Today, we are asked to concentrate on one aspect of vocation – priesthood and religious life. We pray that many people will respond to God's call to commit their lives to service as priests, sisters and brothers.

Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, You have chosen the Apostles and their successors, the Bishops and Priests of the Catholic Church, to preach the true faith throughout the world. We earnestly beseech You to choose from among us in our parishes, priests and religious who will gladly spend their entire lives to make You better known and loved.

Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary pray for us.

St Joseph pray for us.

St John Vianney Pray for us.

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 Morrison, 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

We are open for business again after Mass, we still have some restrictions in place so please be patient we are doing our best. 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.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marian Francis who died recently her body will be brought into the church on Sunday 9th May at 5pm. Her Requiem Mass will be on Monday 10th May at 11.30am.

Please also pray for Gift Agwuncha a young mum with two young children who died suddenly this week. We extend our sympathies to her husband Michael and her family.

May they rest in peace.

Stand Up and Smile Campaign:

"This Tuesday marks 53 years since the 1967 Abortion Act came into effect. As we hope and pray for an end to abortion, we pray especially for our government, that their commitment to support pregnant women and their families would increase, and that they would anchor themselves in the desire to protect all human life. Lord hear us"

Gift Aid Envelopes

Thank you for your continued effort over the last year it has been much appreciated.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PICK UP YOUR GIFT AID BOX

Assistant Manager, Walsingham House at Abbotswick.

We are seeking to appoint an Assistant Manager at Walsingham House at Abbotswick to begin in the late summer. All information can be found on our website: <https://bcys.net/assistantmanager> Closing date for applications is midday on Monday 10th May 2021.

Brentwood Catholic Children Society

We at the Brentwood Catholic Children' Society (bccs) are seeking to appoint new members to our Board of Trustees to help guide and support our work. It is important for us to maintain a broad, diverse Board of Trustees that brings a wide range of expertise and ages to the table. Experience as a trustee is not required as a full induction programme will be provided. We are particularly keen to attract the input of youth trustees (age 18 +) to ensure our provision and services remain contemporary and there is no upper age or gender limitation to the role. Please read our full Trustee Advert and Role Description on our website <https://www.bccs.org.uk/who-we-are/trustees> and contact our Director, Bernadette Fisher bfisher@bccs.org.uk for more information.

Parking

Please make sure that you are being thoughtful when parking for Mass we have had a few occasions when we have needed to call an ambulance for a parishioner but the ambulance could not get through the parked cars. There should be a clear pathway to allow an ambulance to come in one gate and drive out through the other without any disruption to the Mass. Please think and check before you leave your vehicle.