

MASS INTENTIONS
Solemnity of All Saints
(Year B)

Saturday 30 th October – Feria	6.30pm	Neil Nagle (R.I.P)
Sunday 31 st October – Solemnity of All Saints	9.00am 11.00am	Charlie Williams (R.I.P) John Moody (R.I.P)
Monday 1 st November - Feria	9.00am	Des Brewty (R.I.P)
Tuesday 2 nd November – All Souls	9.00am	Brian Popkin (R.I.P) Maria Emmanuel
Wednesday 3 rd November –Feria	9.00am	Daniel McQuaid (R.I.P)
Thursday 4 th November – St Charles Borromeo	9.00am	Packie Joe Cafferty (R.I.P)
Friday 5 th November – Feria	9.00am	Norah Browne (R.I.P)
Saturday 6 th November – Feria	9.00am	Mick Morgan (Intentions)

Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
(Year B)

Saturday 6 th November – Feria	6.30pm	Christina Kennedy (R.I.P)
Sunday 7 th November – Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am 11.00am	Elizabeth & John (R.I.P) Helen King (R.I.P)

The Popes Monthly Intentions for November 2021

Missionary Disciples

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

“Out of His infinite glory, may he give you the power through his Spirit for your hidden self to grow strong” *Ephesians 3:16*



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Solemnity of All Saint (Year B)
30th & 31st October 2021

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the victory of God's grace in all the saints. We think of those who have gone before us. We call their names and faces to mind, family friends. We each have our own litany of saints that long list of people whom we love. We call to them and say 'Pray for us'.

If we were asked what Jesus himself was like, the Beatitudes would be a fair summary of his characteristics. That is why they are given as today's Gospel. The Saints are those who are like Jesus. The Beatitudes describe them. We are called to the same. Jesus said 'You must be perfect just as my Heavenly Father is perfect'. It is more difficult than ever today because the world around us present us with a different set of Beatitudes of our own.

Blessed are those whom trust in themselves. They experience no need for God or for others. Blessed are the aggressive, they shall enjoy walking over people. Blessed are those who have no pity, their hearts are not vulnerable. Etc...

Which set of Beatitudes do we follow? Christ came to comfort the disturbed and to disturb the comfortable. If you find Christ's standards disturbing that is good. You are called to conversion. Answer the call with generosity and you will find life.

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 write their details on one of the slips at the back of the Church and place this in the box at the Altar.

God Bless and Keep Safe,
Canon Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Greta Anglim, Nell Addison, Paul & Eva 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, James Francis, Hilda Gonpath, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, 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, Vincenzo Modica, John Morrison, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Ivan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Teresa Pitman, Baby Teddy Rands, Jennie Reddy, Rosetta Reehill, Nellie Ringrose, Dorothy Ryan, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Jay Spencer, Clara Yankey, Samuel Nti and Brigid Philomena Barulis.

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.

First Holy Communion

The next session will take place on 18th November from 7-8pm.

Confirmation

The next session for the Confirmation programme will take place in the Church on the 6th November at 4.00pm.

Journey in Faith Programme (RCIA)

The R.C.I.A programme continues on Monday evenings at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. Anyone interested in joining the church or learning more about the faith is welcome to come along.

Baptism Course: The next Baptism course will take place on the Saturday 13th of November in the Parish Hall at 9am. For further information, please contact Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277

St Albans School Parish Choir

We are inviting all pupils from year 4 upwards to join our School Parish Choir. Michelle will lead this choir so please do join her upstairs in the Choir Loft at 10.50am each Sunday.

Preschool

A Preschool has begun in the Parish hall; we hope that this will help the younger families of our Parish. Anybody who may be interested in joining St Albans preschool can come along and register or call Nisha on 07977 103156.

St Alban's Catholic Primary School - Reception Intake 2022

Prospective Parent/Carer Tours will take place on 2nd November at 7pm. Please contact the school office on 01708 555644 to book your place. We look forward to welcoming you to our school family. Canon Maurice will be available to sign the application forms on Sunday 28th November from 5pm-7pm and Monday 29th November from 6.30-7.30pm.

Pastoral Care & Mental Health Talk

On Wednesday the 17th of November at 7.30pm, there will be a talk in the Parish hall on pastoral care and mental health issues given by Paul McNamara from NELFT (North East London NHS Foundation Trust). All are welcome.

Day of recollection for extraordinary ministers and readers will take place in the church hall on the 20th of November starting with mass at 9:00am and finishing at 2pm. All are welcome.

St. Alban's care group sponsored walk

The Care Group will be doing a Sponsored Walk on Sunday 7th November in Hornchurch Country Park. The Group will leave the Church at 1.00pm and arrive back between 4.30 and 5.00pm. All wishing to join are welcome. For sponsor forms contact Tom McManus 07840 760907.

Catechists' Training and Resources Day: 10am (arrivals, for a 10.30am start) – 3pm Saturday 6th November, 2021, Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School, Upminster (the school is a short walk from Upminster Station, on the District and C2C lines)

Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tommy Cartwright – his funeral will take place at the South Essex Crematorium on 5th November at 11.20am. Please also pray for Ricky Gonpath who died, a brother of one of our parishioners. Please pray for Susan McGuiggan, formerly of Corpus Christy parish Collier Row and Head Teacher of Holy Cross Primary School; her funeral will take place this Wednesday 3rd November at 11am at the Holy Cross Church, Harlow. May they rest in peace.

Live-Simply Campaign

This weekend we welcome Bernadette Tsocos who will be speaking about the Live Simply campaign.