

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)**

Saturday 22nd January – Feria	6.30pm	Patrick Byrnes (R.I.P)
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January – <b>Third Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Eileen Glynn
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> January – <b>St Francis de Sales</b>	9.00am	Michael Kelly (R.I.P) (Maureen Daly)
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January – <b>The Conversion of St Paul</b>	9.00am	Liam Hoey (R.I.P)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January – <b>Ss Timothy &amp; Titus</b>	9.00am	Bernie & Lawrence (Int)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> January – Feria	9.00am	Safety of the baby in the womb. A safe pregnancy
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> January - <b>St Thomas Aquinas</b>	9.00am	Dollizon Family Ints (Remegio, Angela, Richard & Jocelyn)
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> January – Feria	9.00am	Daniel Horgan Ints

**Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)**

Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> January – Feria	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> January – <b>Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.00	Michael Palmer (R.I.P)
	11.00	Helen Ging (R.I.P)

**As I light a candle for you...**

Lord, this candle that I have lit may it be **LIGHT** from you to lighten my way, through difficulties and decisions. May it be **FIRE** from you to burn up my selfishness, and pride and all that is impure within me. May it be **FLAME** from you to warm my heart and teach me love. Lord, I cannot stay long in your house, this candle is a little bit of myself that I offer to you. Help me to continue my prayer in all that I do this day.

- **St Martin's Cathedral, Tours, France**



**ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
 Langdale Gardens RM12 5LA  
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**22nd & 23rd January 2022**

Our celebration today falls within the week of special prayer for unity among Christians, which is observed each year at this time (18-25<sup>th</sup> January). In our readings today, we are told that the Spirit has given us all varying gifts to be used to build up the body of Christ, His Church. We are all called to share our gifts and not to envy God's gifts in others. We have a responsibility to take seriously to heart the gifts of God shared out among the separated Churches and to honour Christ's presence in our fellow Christians.

To express our unity with our fellow Christians, there is a service of prayer for Christian Unity at Elm Park Baptist Church, Ambleside Gardens this Sunday evening, 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 6.30pm. Canon Maurice will be preaching and it is hoped that as many as possible will be able to attend.

PRAYER

O God, the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labour and the joy of those who love. We humbly ask your protection for the work of healing the divisions among your people and we trust you to guide us so that where there is a variety of gifts among your people, there is but one Spirit bestowed on us all in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*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, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Hedde, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Stuart Keen, Ann Kelly, Francesca Kelly, Neil Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, George Kiparrisi, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, 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, Julia Thomas, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Jay Spencer, Clara Yankey, Samuel, Nti Barulis and Tim Keane.

**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.

**Confirmation Programme**

The next meeting will take place on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022 from 4.00-6.30pm

**Baptism Course:** The next Baptism course will take place on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> of February in the Parish Hall at 9am. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277

**First Holy Communion Programme**

The next session will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 7pm and the children will meet in the hall and parents to meet in the Church as usual.

**Journey in Faith Programme (RCIA)**

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

**Second Collections**

There will be a second collection this weekend on behalf of the White Flower Appeal (the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children).

**Rest In Peace**

Please pray for Terence Rotheron whose Requiem Mass will take place on this Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> of January at 12.30 in our Church. Please also pray for Lucia Watson, her funeral will take place on the 31<sup>st</sup> January at 10.45am at South Essex Crematorium. May they rest in peace.

**Bible Study prayer group:**

St Albans' Parish Bible Study/Prayer Group Meeting, every Sunday at 3pm. Please contact Agnes Umana on 07852139881 or by email: [agnesumana@googlemail.com](mailto:agnesumana@googlemail.com) You can join the meeting via Zoom on **Meeting ID:** 596 277 8569

**Passcode:** biblestudy

**BCYS February Youth Mass with Talk from Million Minutes**

From 6pm join the BCYS for pizza and drink in the Parish Hall, and from 6:30pm Beth Warren, former Walsingham House Assistant Manager and now Senior Parish Engagement Officer for "Million Minutes" will help us prepare for the upcoming Lenten Season, with their SiLENT campaign and other exciting ventures! This will be followed by Mass at 7:30pm, where we will be joined by Fr Paschal Uche and Fr Michael Barwick who will preach the gospel. All information about this and other events can be found on our website [www.bcys.net](http://www.bcys.net), or you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by searching @brentwoodcys

**Heads of School Vacancies**

**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, South Woodham Ferrers L8 - L12**

Required for September 2022. The Governing Body are seeking to appoint an inspirational, enthusiastic, motivated and dedicated person to help lead St Joseph's, South Woodham Ferrers which, along with St Francis, Maldon which constitute the Federation of Christ The King. Deadline for applications: **9:00 am on Friday 28th January 2022**. For further information please contact the school office for an appointment on 01245 321828.

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