

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**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)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> January – <b>St John Bosco</b>	9.00am	Susan Williams (R.I.P)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February – Feria	9.00am	Bridget Barulis (R.I.P)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February – <b>The Presentation of the Lord</b>	9.00am	Ann Keaney (Int)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February – <b>St Anne Line</b>	9.00am	Deceased members of the Onodu family.
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> February - Feria	9.00am	Josephine Curro (R.I.P)
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>St Agatha</b>	9.00am	Hafiza Wallace (R.I.P)

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

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>St Agatha</b>	6.30pm	Noreen & Maureen Walsh
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Gary Honeyball (R.I.P)

**Prayer reflection for this week**

The fruit of Silence is Prayer  
 The fruit of Prayer is Faith  
 The fruit of Faith is Love  
 The fruit of Love is Service  
 The fruit of Service is Peace.

- **Saint Mother Teresa**

“My task is to live; to help others to live; to reflect; to help. I wish to write nothing that has not been lived”

- **Michel Quoist**



**ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
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**29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

Today's Gospel teaches us to be open to the work of God in others, and it also warns us not to miss God's purposes being fulfilled in ourselves. We can often fail to be aware of our own worth in God's eyes and of our calling, let alone those of others. God alone knows our destiny, humble or great, and God speaks to us as to Jeremiah: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you."

**REFLECTION & PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN CHILD:**

Lord, you watch over your little one,  
 resting in the womb and waiting for birth.  
 He is alive, though not yet born.  
 He does not know you, but you know him.  
 His lips cannot shape words to praise you.  
 His knees cannot bend to worship you.  
 His hands cannot join to pray to you.  
 And yet, Lord,  
 The silence of his presence speaks to you.  
 The patience of his waiting serves you.  
 The mystery of his being honours you.

Thank you all very much for your contribution to the white flower appeal which took place last Sunday. The amount collected was £170.00, which goes to the **protection of the unborn children** and support for their families.

*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 Heddle, 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 this Thursday 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 program 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.

**Rest In Peace**

Please pray for Lucia Watson who died recently, her funeral will take place on this Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> January at 10.45am at South Essex Crematorium. Please also pray for Martin Delaney who also died recently, his funeral will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> March at 2.40pm 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

**The Universe Catholic Weekly**

The Universe Catholic Weekly have launched their new on-line newspaper. Order your digital copy by going to [www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk](http://www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk) or call on 0743661 7650 and ask for Michelle. Special offer only £20 for 3 months.

**Synodal Pathway**

We met last week at the Parish Hall after the 11am Mass and we had a good response from our parishioners. A summary of the feedback received is available at the back of the Church this weekend and on the church website. This is an ongoing discernment that requires new energy, renewed efforts and some fresh vitality, in order to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the contemporary world. This is an opportunity for us to listen to the Holy Spirit and one another and discern what God wants from us. To help everybody be involved, the next session will take place in the Parish Hall after the 9am Mass on the 13<sup>th</sup> February. All are welcome to attend.

**VACANCIES**

**Headteacher - Holy Cross Primary School, Harlow** Starting salary L17 – L23 (£63,745 - £73,660). Required for September 2022. The Governors of Holy Cross invite applications from experienced, enthusiastic and suitably-qualified practising Catholics, to play a key role in the leadership and management of our school to continue to build on our successes. Deadline for applications: **12:00 pm on Monday 21st February 2022**. For further information please contact Karen Slater, PA to Headteacher, on 01279 424452 to arrange this. Alternatively, if you would like an application pack please contact Karen Slater by email: [karenslater@holycross-pri.essex.sch.uk](mailto:karenslater@holycross-pri.essex.sch.uk). Further details of these vacancies and other are available from the diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

**Facilities Coordinator:** Part Time, Permanent, 5 hours per week

**Location:** Brentwood Cathedral Parish, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 8AT **Salary:** £12.50 per hour. **Closing date for applications:** 5pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022. To be considered for the role, please send a CV and covering letter (no longer than one side of A4) to [cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com](mailto:cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com) Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted. If you would like an informal chat, please e-mail [cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com](mailto:cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com) leaving your contact details and we will arrange for someone to give you a call.