

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

Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> February – Feria	6.30pm	Billy Hudson (R.I.P)
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.00	Thanksgiving for Gods protection.
	11.00	People of the Parish
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>SS Cyril &amp; Methodius</b>	9.00am	Teresa Clarke (R.I.P)
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February – Feria	9.00am	James Brewty (R.I.P)
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February –Feria	9.00am	Nioka D’Souza (Int)
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Feria	9.00am	Family appreciation of God’s love and care
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February - Feria	9.00am	Thanksgiving
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> February – Feria	9.00am	People of the Parish

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

Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> February – Feria	6.30pm	Seamus Nolan (R.I.P)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> February – <b>Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.00	Charles Stimpson (R.I.P)
	11.00	Geraldine Patterson (R.I.P)

**Red Box Appeal:**

On the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of February Fr Kevin Huges will come to give the five yearly red box appeal. Through the red box we care for our church family around the world. Thanks to Mr James Akinyemi and all parishioners who support this appeal.

**Reflections for this week:**

“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire” – **St Catherine of Siena**

“There is nothing more beautiful than to be surprised...by the encounter with Christ. There is nothing more beautiful than to know him” – **Pope Benedict XVI**



**ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
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The Gospel puts the challenge of the beatitudes before us in stark and simple terms. Someone once described them as ‘Be-Attit-udes’, attitudes that should undergird and be the foundation stone of a Christian way of being in the world.

Today, many people believe happiness is found in riches, wealth and status. Spiritual matters and being concerned about justice can be viewed as secondary while bills have to be paid and money is needed to survive.

We cannot live without money and material goods but we can stay in tune with the Gospel by remaining above the pursuit of selfishness and false gods which make us empty and stale inside. It is important for us to accept the Gospel as truth: by listening to and reflecting upon our lives in relation to what Jesus teaches. In doing this we are guaranteed to remain faithful to our calling as Christians.

The Gospel presents a wider horizon which helps us to see beyond this life. Committing ourselves to this Gospel we shall be considered blessed by God now and in the life to come. This is the best of guarantees.

**SUGGESTIONS**

Find one way to be more generous this week with the use of possessions and money.

Pray for a departed relative/friend whose faith and example influenced your life.

*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, Denis Doherty, Gerry Dique, Rose Dique, 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 and Clara Yankey. For those we know and the many we don't know, we pray to the Lord

**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 next Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022 from 4.00-6.30pm.

**Baptism Course:** The next Baptism course will take place on the 12<sup>th</sup> of March 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 24<sup>th</sup> of February at 7pm. The children will meet in the hall and parents to meet in the Church, as Usual, for their session.

**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.

**Rest In Peace**

Please pray for Martin Delaney who died recently, his funeral will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> March at 2.40pm at South Essex Crematorium. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Patrick Cahill who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> February at 12 noon. Please also pray for Ursula McClellan who died recently and her funeral will take place at South Essex Crematorium on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of February, 2022 in the South Chapel at 12.00 pm. May they rest in peace.

**Baptism**

We welcome into the family of the church, Harper Marie Conroy who was Baptised in our Church last weekend. Every blessing to the family and congratulations.

**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

**Synodal Pathway**

The next session will take place in the Parish Hall after the 6.30pm Mass on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February. All are welcome to attend.

**The Pope Francis' Intention for the month of February:**

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

**Second collection**

There will be a second collection taken up this weekend at all Masses on behalf of the Racial Justice Organisation.

**Schools**

Our schools are now on their half term break and we wish them all a very restful week. Schools return on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022.

**Headteacher Vacancy**

**St Alban's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch.** Required from 1st September 2022. Group 2: L11 – L17 (starting salary based on experience). NOR: 210 (1 form entry). The Governors of St Alban's Catholic Primary School are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Head Teacher from September 2022, due to our long standing Head Teacher retiring. St Alban's is a caring, friendly school and community where our Catholic Ethos is central to all that we do. Our new Head Teacher will work with governors to shape the strategic direction of the school, and will be responsible for the day-to-day leadership and management of St Alban's. Deadline for applications: **12:00 noon on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022.** For further information please contact School Business Manager Katrina Arrowsmith at [contact@st-albans.havering.sch.uk](mailto:contact@st-albans.havering.sch.uk), or call the office Tel: 01708 555644 for an application pack or to arrange a mutually agreed date and time to visit.