

MASS INTENTIONS
Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

Saturday 7 th May – Feria	6.30pm	Olive George
Sunday 8 th May – Fourth Sunday of Easter	9.00am	Goretti Anglim (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Claudette Rashid (Int)
Monday 9 th May – Feria	9.00am	Anand & Nayana (Int)
Tuesday 10 th May – SS Philip & James	9.00am	John Lopez (R.I.P)
Wednesday 11 th May – Feria	9.00am	Denis O’Meara (R.I.P)
Thursday 12 th May – St John Houghton	9.00am	Francis Seaman (R.I.P)
Friday 13 th May – St Erconwald	9.00am	Josie Nolan (R.I.P)
Saturday 14 th May – St Matthias	9.00am	Goretti Anglim (R.I.P)

Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

Saturday 14 th May – St Matthias	6.30pm	Donal Hayes (R.I.P)
Sunday 15 th May – Fifth Sunday of Easter	9.00am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Stella & Clarence Mirando (R.I.P)

Reflection for this week:

Prayer is not meant to be a torture, not meant to make us feel uneasy, is not meant to trouble us. It is something to look forward to, to talk to my Father, to talk to Jesus, the one to whom I belong: body, soul, mind, and heart. And when times come when we cannot pray, it is simple: if Jesus is in my heart let him pray, let me allow Him to pray in me, to talk to His Father in the silence of my heart. Since I cannot speak – He will speak; since I cannot pray – He will pray. That’s why often we should say: “Jesus in my heart, I believe in your faithful love for me.” – **St Teresa of Kolkata**



ST ALBAN’S PARISH NEWSLETTER
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7th & 8th May 2022

We congratulate our 22 children who will be receiving Our Lord for the first time at the 11.00am Mass this weekend. In the Eucharist, Christ gives us the most perfect and most intimate form of communion between God and man. The most basic need of each of us, is food and love. Holy Communion is both of these. Today, 22 of our children and 20 more next week, will receive this food and love for the first time.

As we share their happiness, we thank their parents for bringing them to this joyful step along the journey of faith. We also thank the catechists, the teachers at St Alban’s and the people of the Parish, as you have all helped in various ways in leading them to this their special day and you too, have a care for their future growth in their faith.

On the 22nd of May at 3pm, we all gather as family to honour our Lady during this month of May, as we will be having our procession in honour of Her. We will come together outside the Church, for the crowning of the statue by the children of St. Alban’s school, followed by the procession with the Statue along Langdale Gardens, Ennerdale Avenue, Ullswater Way, Carnforth Gardens and back to St Alban’s Church.

Hymns will be sung along the way. At the Church, the Rosary will be recited in five languages.

The afternoon will conclude with a celebration and refreshments in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

God Bless and Keep Safe,
Canon Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

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, Anna Gawlik, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Christine Johnson, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Stuart Keen, Francesca Kelly, Neil Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, George Kiparrisi, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Iivan 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, Theresa Carty, Jay Spencer and Clara Yankey. For those we know and the many we do not 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.

Weekly Offertory Envelopes

If you have not yet collected your new box of envelopes, please look for the box with your name on it which is on the table at the back of the Church, by the stairs.

R.I.P

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Donald Hamilton who died recently, His funeral will take place at South Essex Crematorium, Upminster on Friday 20th May at 12.40pm. May he rest in peace.

There will be a Memorial Mass for Goretti Anglim on 2nd July at 1.00pm, here in the Church. Followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall. Goretti was very much a part of our Parish family for many years and was involved in the life of the Parish, in helping with the First Holy Communion programme and with the choir.

Baptism Course: The next Baptism course will take place on next Saturday 14th of May in the Parish Hall at 9am. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes this Summer

Bishop Alan will lead the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 24-29th July, a time to pray at the Grotto of Our Lady and enjoy the opportunities of this experience. The pilgrimage team includes a doctor and nurses, for those who need assistance. For those with limited mobility, there will be many young people on hand to assist with wheelchairs. It is a wonderful week, Canon Maurice will be attending and if you would like to go, you can book online at www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood. For further information, please phone Cathy O'Connor on 01206 735623.

Right to Life - We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities, we pray for protection for them and their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they would instead experience overwhelming support by all who surround them.

Acts in Easter:

Throughout the fifty days of Easter, we read from the Acts of the Apostles, the New Testament book which narrates the early years of the Church. Fr Adrian Graffy has prepared podcasts on 'The Acts of the Apostles' and 'Paul in Acts', for your use through the Easter season. Visit www.whatgoodnews.org for free access.

Be part of the Walsingham House Team 2022/23:

If you will be 18+ in September, and are looking for an exciting gap year opportunity, then a year on the Walsingham House Team could be perfect for you. For more information, please contact Joseph Beattie, by emailing josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or calling 01277 373959. There is more information on www.bcys.net/events/whopenday/ and social media @Brentwoodcys

Catholic Women's League – Upminster

Welcome all to their Wednesday weekly lunch club. 12noon-1.30pm, 2 course lunch and coffee or tea for £5. Held at St Joseph's Social Centre. Free parking at The Windmill Car Park opposite.

Family Co-ordinator Parish of the Most Holy Redeemer, Billericay:

To be considered for the role, please send a CV and covering letter (no longer than one side of A4) to office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

Please note that you will need to be eligible to work in the UK to apply for this position. You must provide proof of Right to Work in the UK. For an informal chat with the Parish Priest and a copy of the Job Description please email office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk **Hours of work:** 15 hours per week, **Contract:** 3 years fixed term, **Closing date:** Friday 27th May 2022,

Interviews: TBC

Finance Meeting

The next Finance Meeting will take place on Thursday 26th May at 8.15pm. All members are expected to attend.

Flower Festival, St Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, 27th – 29th May.

The talented parish flower arrangers will fill this magnificent nineteenth century church with wonderful displays. We hope it will be a lovely way to invite people to church who may never have been before, and everyone is very welcome. There will be tasty cakes and refreshing tea and coffee in the hall. Friday 27th and Saturday 28th May 10am – 4pm, Sunday 29th May 1pm – 4pm. The address is 5 Park End Road, Romford RM1 4AT.

Greeters at Mass If anyone can help welcome Parishioners at weekend Masses, please speak to Father as we are very short of helpers.