

MASS INTENTIONS
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 17 th June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	Arsenio Trinidad (R.I.P)
Sunday 18 th June - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	John Macken (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Josie Keane (R.I.P)
Monday 19 th June – Feria	9.00am	Helen Ging & Brother (R.I.P)
Tuesday 20 th June – St Alban Family Feast Day	9.00am	Marie Anne (R.I.P)
Wednesday 21 st June – St Aloysius Gonzaga	9.00am	Holy Souls
Thursday 22 nd June – SS John Fisher & Thomas More	9.00am	Hugh Callaghan (R.I.P)
Friday 23 rd June – Feria	9.00am	Victor Correa (R.I.P)
Saturday 24 th June – Nativity of St John the Baptist	9.00am	Thanksgiving Babu Thomas & Family (Ints)

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Saturday 24 th June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	Deacon Matúš Meleg (Int)
Sunday 25 th June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Ethel Maud Kirk (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Gift Agwuncha (R.I.P)

Thought for the week:

Man, for medieval thought, is not a simply natural being. He is a dislocated being, wounded – by the devil who wounds him with concupiscence, by God who wounds him with love. On the one hand, he bears the heritage of original sin; he is born divested of the gifts of grace, and not, doubtless, substantially corrupted, but wounded in his nature. On the other hand, he is made for a supernatural end: to see God as God sees himself, he is made to attain to the very life of God; he is changed by actual grace, and if he does not oppose to God his power of refusal, he bears within him even here below the properly divine life of sanctifying grace and its gifts. – **Jacques Maritain**



ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER
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17th & 18th of June 2023

Dear Friends,

The Gospel we have heard today, connects discipleship with mission.; Jesus shows that his disciples share in his mission, and we are his disciples today.

Christian faith is faith in action, demonstrated when believers proclaim the good news and minister to those in need. The Gospel challenges us to identify those in our communities and in our world who are marginalized, and to witness by word and deed how the reconciling love of God reaches out to them. Questions that need addressing include: How do we address spiritual and human needs in our parish and community? How do we fulfil our mission, as a Christian people, to the marginalized among us? Just as the readings move us to a more complete understanding of who we are as a holy people, so too they can challenge us, both personally and communally, to grow in our commitment to the implications of God's call.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, the harvest of souls is abundant, but the labourers are few. In your compassion hear us and help us to take part with joy in the spreading of your message. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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, Rose Cahill, Marlene Camay, John Carty, Sarah Content, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Denis Doherty, Gerry Dique, Rose Dique, Charlotte Dudenney, Dylan Dunbar, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Margaret Dumbrell John Finan, James Francis, Anna Gawlik, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Rev Tom Keighley, Francesca Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, Vicky Loik, Mary Lynes, Amaogechi Mbanu, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Gladys McQuaid, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison, Ann Mount, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Iwan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Teresa Pitman, Michelle Pointer, Baby Teddy Rands, Jennie Reddy, Rosetta Reehill, Dorothy Ryan, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Elizabeth Smith, Alan Stokes, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Jay Spencer, Irene (Evelyn's sister) and Clara Yankey. For those we know and the many we do not know, we pray to the Lord.

PARISH FINANCES:

11th & 12th June

Loose

£783.02

Envelopes

£980.30

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.

Baptism Course:

The next Baptism course will take place on Saturday 8th of July in the Parish Hall at 9am. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

Marriage Congratulations

We congratulate Tara Mahony & James Pitcher and Joanna Mahony & Andrew Garner who were married recently in our Church. We wish them every happiness in their married life.

Lourdes Group

On the 5th July, there will be a meeting for the Lourdes group in the Presbytery at 7pm.

Bazaar Meeting

There will be a meeting about the Bazaar on the 10th July at 6.15pm – anybody interested in helping at this year's Bazaar, please do come along.

BCCS Child & Family Counselling Services:

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society offers therapeutic support directly to children, young people, families and parents through their Child and Family Counselling Service (CFCS) located in their head office in Billericay. Their CFCS team consists of several experienced and highly qualified therapists working in specially adapted therapy rooms. Families can contact BCCS directly by emailing Catherine Munns cmunns@bccs.org.uk who will outline the type of support that will be provided for them or their child. There is a charge for this service, but they urge any families needing support to contact them. More information is available on their website: www.bccs.org.uk

Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life:

Bishop Alan will be celebrating the annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life in the Cathedral at 3pm on Saturday 15th of July. As last year, the Mass will be followed by a reception in the hall.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023:

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023: Join Bishop Alan in Lourdes from Monday 24th to Saturday 29th of July. We can support those with medical needs. For further information, please phone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: [Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangey Tours \(tangey-tours.com\)](http://Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangey Tours (tangey-tours.com))

Christus Vivit (Christ Lives): A new group for adults aged 18-35 will meet once a month in Clergy House, Brentwood 07:30pm. The next session is on the 2nd July. All are welcome.

Campion School Open Evening

For the admission of boys (in current Year 5) in September 2024 will be held at the school on Thursday 29th June 2023 from 4.30pm to 7pm. Talks from the headteacher will be at 5.15pm and 6.30pm. Admission forms, including the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) will be available online.

National month of Prayer for Toddler Groups

Please pray for our Parish toddler group, it's leaders and all the families involved.

Diaconate

We congratulate Matúš Meleg who was ordained as Deacon last Saturday and we also pray for Frank Westcott who will be ordained to the Diaconate on the 2nd July at Oscott in Birmingham.

Volunteer Drivers

We are looking for some volunteers to drive parishioners to Mass on Sundays – please see Ken if you are able to help.

Elm Park Community Assoc - Community Celebration – Sunday 25th June

This will be held at the Elm Park Assembly Hall from 10am-4pm on the 25th of June. All are welcome – free entry.

RIP:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Finan who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 4th of July 11:00am. His remains will be brought to Church on Monday the 3rd of July at 4:30pm. May he rest in peace.