

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June – <b>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June – <b>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.00am	McGarvey Family
	11.00am	John Barry (R.I.P)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9.00am	Maj Cogan (R.I.P)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9.00am	Alan Stokes (R.I.P)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9.00am	Departed Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9:00am	Margaret Barber (R.I.P)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June – <b>St Aloysius</b>	9.00am	Baby O'Neill
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June – <b>SS John Fisher, &amp; Thomas More</b>	9.00am	Margaret Cogan

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Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – <b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.00am	Mark Finnegan
	11.00am	Susan & Martin Marsh 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**Prayer for the Week: Feast Day of St Thomas More on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 2024**

Pray that, for the glory of God and in the pursuit of his justice, I may be trustworthy with confidences, keen in study, accurate in analysis, correct in conclusion, able in argument, loyal to clients, honest with all, courteous to adversaries, ever attentive to conscience. Lord sit with me at my desk and listen with me to my clients' tales. Lord read with me in my library and stand always beside me so that today I shall not, to win a point, lose my soul. I Pray that my family may find in you what others found in you: friendship and courage, cheerfulness and charity, diligence in duties, counsel in adversity, patience in pain – may we be the good servant, with you first Lord.  
**Amen. – St Thomas More (1478 – 1535)**



**ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
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**15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Dear Friends,

Father Elias and I have been delighted with the response to the Parish Mission here in Elm Park over the last week, and it is very much to the credit of the parish and particularly the boundless energy of Canon Maurice.

A Parish Mission is a very intense experience in our Christian Life, akin to the Transfiguration. We are like the disciples who go up the mountain, have a special encounter with the Lord, and would love to stay there. However, like the apostles, we must come down from the mountain and return to our lives, having the spirit of consolation in our hearts.

We won't be the same though. We must find ways to carry forward the spirit of the Mission. Can I make a resolution to pray more, and in a more structured and disciplined way? Will I make the effort to come to confession frequently? Will I engage in the social action that is at work in the Parish, supporting the Foodbank, the nearest SVP group, or some other worthy charity? Is it time for me to think seriously about my Vocation in life, or how to use my time and talents in the service of God and neighbour?

Heaven has been pouring great graces on Elm Park in the last week, so let's not squander them, but go forward in faith, hope, and love.

**Thank you and God bless,**  
**Fr Royston Price CSsR and Fr Elias Gweme CSsR**

***Please pray for all who are sick, including:***

Nell Addison, Paul & Eva Au, Michael Balfour, Doreen Banister, William Bradbury, Vincent Brady, Rose Cahill, Marlene Camay, John Carty, Macmillan Chitoma Bras-Goncalves, Anne Dunn, Rose Dique, Sarah Content, Maureen Daly, John Detheridge, Katherine Day, Gerry Margaret Dumbrill, Eddie and Martha Dwyer, Fiona Forder, James Francis, Mary Gallet, Anna Gawlik, Ian Gilling, 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, John Morrison, Ann Mount, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Iivan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Dean Partleton, Michelle Pointer, Baby Teddy Rands, Dr Nikhil Rao, Jennie Reddy, Rosetta Reehill, Dorothy Ryan, Fr Francis Coveney, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Elizabeth Smith, Julia Stokes, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Bernie Whoriskey, 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:**

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Loose**

£535.35

**Envelopes**

£362.00

**Mother and Toddlers Group:**

We are excited to announce that our Baby & Toddler Group are finalists in the Havering Small Business Awards! Please do vote for us online under the 'Best Social Enterprise or CIC' category.

<https://havering-self.achieveservice.com/service/LBH-Voting-for-Small-Business-Award>

**Baptism Course:**

The next Baptism course will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> of July in the Parish Hall at 9am. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

**BCYS Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage, 20<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

A couple of last-minute places have become available if anyone in school year 10+ still wishes to join this pilgrimage with the BCYS. Full details on the pilgrimage and how to apply can be found at [www.bcys.net/events/sl24](http://www.bcys.net/events/sl24) or email [gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org](mailto:gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org)

**Youth Mass, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024, Brentwood Cathedral**

Bishop Alan will celebrate Mass and commission all those travelling to Lourdes this Summer. Meet in the Parish Hall from 6pm for pizza, refreshments and a time to reconnect and relax with friends before the Summer. Mass in the Cathedral at 7:30pm. If you wish to sing, play an instrument, read or serve then please bring along your alb or instrument, and let us know as you arrive. Absolutely everyone is very welcome!

**Revive. Discover. Empower." Retreat for Young Adults, 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> of June at Walsingham House at Abbotswick**

This young adult retreat is an opportunity for spiritual growth and reflection, to **revive**, **discover** and **empower** you in your faith. *This retreat is aimed at those aged 18+, having left school, to roughly 30.* All details can be found at [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)

**Diocesan Pilgrimage 2024:**

Join Bishop Alan on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Friday 19 – Friday 26 July). To book, please go online: [Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours \(tangney-tours.com\)](http://Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours (tangney-tours.com)) If you wish to discuss any aspect of the pilgrimage, please e-mail Kathryn Young: [kathrynyoung@mail.com](mailto:kathrynyoung@mail.com)

**Right to Life**

Today, we commemorate the Day for Life in the Church's cycle of prayer. Let us, therefore, pray for legislators and those in authority, that they may respect and protect human life from conception to natural death.

**New Lectionary:**

You may have heard that a new translation of the scripture readings for Mass has been authorised and will come into use from Advent this year. Various editions of people's missals will be made available from the usual publishers; if you are looking to buy one for yourself or as a gift do take care to make sure you get the new version which will typically only be on pre-order at present.

**Battle of the Organs – Brentwood Cathedral**

On Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, a one-off event will take place in Brentwood Cathedral...a Battle of the Organs. The mighty Cathedral instrument, originally built by Hunter, and rebuilt in 1990 by Daniel of Clevedon, will go head-to-head with a new Allen GX350. Allen Organs UK are very kindly lending us the instrument not only for the Battle, but also for the following morning to allow the Cathedral Choir to sing one of the great French double organ Masses at the 11.30am Mass. Tickets are £15 and £7.50 for under 16s, and are available from Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/83220321803> Further details available from Richard Nott at [organisttraining@brcdt.org](mailto:organisttraining@brcdt.org)

**Maranatha Event:**

The next Maranatha event of Mass celebrated by Fr. Paschal Uche, followed by Prayer and Praise, will be held at Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, CM15 9BX on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. All are welcome.

**The General Election 2024:**

This week the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have launched a set of informative resources to help us think about our election choices. It covers pro-Life issues as well as the criminal justice system, education, poverty, the environment, refugees and migrants. The bishops remind us: *"We are not merely the passive recipients of politics but active citizens. An election is the best time for us as Christians to speak out, to get involved, and to lead."* The resources include suggested questions for candidates, links if you want to go deeper, and actions we can take to make a difference. You will find everything at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

**Foodbank:**

There is now a permanent container in the porch of the church for the Foodbank, and for baby milk for the baby bank. Items will be picked up fortnightly, or when full. Contact info: [caritas@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:caritas@dioceseofbrentwood.org) / 01277 373959

**Rediscover your Marriage:**

Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10s of 1000s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, email : [retrouvillekinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvillekinfo@gmail.com) – or visit: [www.retrouville.org.uk](http://www.retrouville.org.uk)