

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
The Resurrection of the Lord (Year C)

<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Celebration of the Easter Vigil</b>	8:00pm	Gavin Turner Birthday Int
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord</b>	9:00am 11:00am	Thanksgiving for Employment Gift Agwuncha (R.I.P) 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
<b>Within the Octave of Easter Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Monday</b>	9:00am	James Sangwine (R.I.P)
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter Tuesday</b>	9:00am	James Watson (R.I.P)
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Easter Wednesday</b>	9.00am	Mark Finnegan (R.I.P)
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Thursday</b>	9.00am	Alice Brady (R.I.P)
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Friday</b>	9:00am	Pauline Fennessey
<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Saturday</b>	9:00am	Edward Di Marscio (R.I.P)

**Second Sunday of Easter (Year C)**

<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April –</b>	6.30pm	Vincent Brady (R.I.P)
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April –</b>	9:00am 11:00am	Nigel D’Souza Thanksgiving Gift Agwuncha (R.I.P)

**Reflection for Easter Week**

Jesus’ resurrection is the crowning truth of faith, the reason for hope, the source of our prayer. Without it faith is futile. Christ has indeed been raised from the dead: ‘I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ Died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve’ (cor. 15:3-5). Christian hope is facing death, which appears to be the end, with the certainty that, thanks to the grace of baptism, death is not the end. But, in a flash, the twinkling of an eye, we will be changed, and death will be swallowed up in victory.

**Walk with Me**



**ST ALBAN’S PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
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**The Resurrection of the Lord (Year C)**  
**19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

Dear friends,

Today Easter Sunday we celebrate in a special way the most important feast of our Christian faith. St Paul wrote to the Corinthians “If Christ had not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith is in vain”. The Resurrection is not only an event which occurred in Palestine two thousand years ago. It is a present reality in our daily lives. We share Christ’s victory over sin and death, and we have the hope that one day we shall share fully in the light and glory of the Risen Lord. As the Paschal Candle represents the light of Christ, we are confident that the light of the Risen Lord will scatter all the darkness of our hearts and minds and fill us with the Joy of his Life.

We would like to say a special word of thanks to all of our parishioners who helped to make the Easter Services and Celebrations a very joyful occasion – Church cleaners, flower arrangers, altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, the readers, the choirs and all those who have helped in any way.

**CONGRATULATIONS** We congratulate Robert Stinson Gracie Gillard and Laura Sparkes who were baptised and received the sacraments of initiation and also Paul Wiltshire who received Confirmation and the Eucharist. We welcome them as full members of the Church and will continue to journey with them in faith and love.

**Prayer** God, by raising Christ your Son you conquered the power of death and opened the way for us to eternal life. May our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives. We ask you this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

*God Bless*  
*Canon Maurice*

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

Nell Addison, Christophe Amblard, Paul & Eva Au, Michael Balfour, William Bradbury, Rose Cahill, Marlene Camay, John Carty, Bernard Carantinos, Macmillan Chitoma Bras-Goncalves, 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, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Rev Tom Keighley, Baby Stephen Kelly, Vicky Loik, Mary Lynes, Amaogechi Mbanu, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Gladys McQuaid, John Morrison, Ann Mount, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Livan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Dean Partleton, Michelle Pointer, Baby Teddy Rands, Dr Nikhil Rao, Jennie Reddy, Louis Russo, Dorothy Ryan, Fr Francis Coveney, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Elizabeth Smith, Julia Stokes, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, The Salter Family (Bert, Charlie and Bert's Daughter-in-law), Joanne Gardener, Charles Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Melon Vigo, 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:**

12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025

### **Loose**

£1,349.89

### **Envelopes**

£311.00

### **Right to Life:**

*“As we reflect on the Resurrection and God's victory over death, we ask the Lord to protect in body and spirit, all those who are in hospice care and all those who are terminally ill. Lord hear us”.*

### **Holy Communion Programme:**

The next session will be on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of May at 6pm which will be a practice session for the children who are receiving their First Communion on the **11<sup>th</sup> of May**. For those who are receiving their Communion on the **18<sup>th</sup> of May** the rehearsal will be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of May at 6pm.

### **Baptism Course:**

The next session for the Baptism course will take place on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> of May at 9am in the Parish Hall. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

### **Confirmation Programme 24/2025**

The next session for the confirmation programme will be on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 4pm

### **Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life:**

The Mass will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> of June in Brentwood Cathedral. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, please let Canon Maurice know. Bishop Bosco MacDonald, the lead Bishop for Marriage and Family Life writes “The hope of marriage is that it becomes a source of stability and happiness showing us the endless love that God has for all of us”.

### **Mass for Migrant – save the date**

At Westminster Cathedral on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May Mass at 2.30pm

### **Mother & Toddler Group:**

If you would like to join us in 2025, please contact Maria at [stalbanstoddler@yahoo.com](mailto:stalbanstoddler@yahoo.com) or 07774 719 806 for more information.

### **Holy Hour:**

You are invited to spend time in prayer, face to face with Jesus in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: each Sunday evening 6pm – 7pm. You can pray with scriptures, rosary or simply in your own words as you enjoy his presence. It was suggested during our Mission last year that we pray for the following intentions:

- For the Young People of our Parish
- For those caught up in addictions of one kind or another
- For the spiritual and temporal wellbeing of married couples and the families of our Parish
- For those struggling with emotional and psychological wounds
- For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

### **Job Vacancy:**

- Headteacher of St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Romford.

**Closing date: Tuesday 22 April 2025 by 12 noon**

For further details please see:

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

- Headteacher - St Mary's Primary School, Hornchurch  
Deadline for applications: 17:00, Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
For further details please see: [www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/2025-04-28\\_1700\\_St-Marys-Primary-School-Hornchurch-Headteacher-Job-Advert.pdf](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/2025-04-28_1700_St-Marys-Primary-School-Hornchurch-Headteacher-Job-Advert.pdf)

### **Youth Mass, First Thursday of the Month, Brentwood Cathedral, from 6pm**

Join the BCYS to celebrate Youth Mass each month with other young Catholics from all around the Diocese.

There will be pizza in the Parish Hall from 6pm, with a different input each month - speakers, workshops, prayer and worship, Reconciliation or more!

Youth Mass is then celebrated in the Cathedral at 7:30pm. **Next date: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May.**

### **St Albans Primary School**

The children are back to school on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April we wish all staff and pupils a good and fruitful term for next the phase of their journey.

### **Dates for your Diary**

First Holy Communion at 11am Mass on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May

May Procession 25<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm followed by Parish BBQ

Pastoral visit by Bishop Alan and Confirmation on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

First Communion Families Pilgrimage to Aylesford on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July coach leaves at 9am

Horticultural Summer Show Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June in the Parish Hall