

## MASS INTENTIONS

### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year C)

<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	6.30pm	John Finan
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	9:00am	Michael O'Dea (Int)
	11:00am	Margaret Kelly (R.I.P)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – Feria	9:00am	Rose Dique (R.I.P)
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June – <b>Nativity of St John The Baptist</b>	9:00am	Onodu Children (Int)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9.00am	Leo Connolly (R.I.P)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June – Feria	9.00am	Dave & Jenny Jones (R.I.P)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June – <b>The Most Sacred Heart Of Jesus</b>	9:00am	Patricia Riseborough (R.I.P)
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> June – <b>St Ireanaeus</b>	9:00am	Kevin Seymour

### SS Peter and Paul (Year C)

<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June – SS Peter and Paul</b>	6.30pm	Kitty Riordan (R.I.P)
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June – SS Peter and Paul</b>	9:00am	Teresa Brewty (R.I.P)
	11:00am	Gift Agwuncha (R.I.P)

### Reflection for the Week:

The moment of communion in Mass, when we eat the body of Christ and drink his blood, is the moment of greatest intimacy that can exist between Christ and us. However, we cannot be in communion with the Lord without being in communion with one another. As St Augustine used to remind the assembled congregation as he held up the Sacred Host: 'See what you are and become what you see, the Body of Christ'. That is the constant challenge of the Eucharist.



## ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year C)

21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Dear friends,

In looking to the future, Christ wanted to remain with those he loved. The only thing he had to give was himself. He took bread and wine – he broke it – shared it. One would easily be tempted to say, "to remind us of Christ who once was". But we are Christians. We believe in the Resurrection. We believe not in a Christ who once was, but who **still is**.

The Gospel today is Luke's account of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The disciples tell Jesus to send the crowd away who have been listening to him; it's one thing to give people some teaching, but they feel they can't be responsible for the people. At the end of the day, each person must look after themselves. Jesus challenges them, insisting that they feed them. They say, "but we can't, we don't have enough" We look around us, there are so many needs, even just looking at the Church, we can feel empty handed, we haven't got enough to respond to the needs we see. Jesus is inviting us to bring the little we have to the Eucharist, our little patience, our little hope, our little compassion and offer it with him. By giving us the really nourishing food of his presence and his love, he promises to transform these things to something that can make a difference for others. The reading ends 'They all ate as much as they wanted'.

### PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, grant that the unity we share with you in the Eucharist may transform our lives so that we may become what we receive. We ask this through 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 Dumbrell, 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, David Lynch, 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), 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:**

14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### **Loose**

£687.95

### **Envelopes**

£332.80

### **Right to Life:**

As we reflect on the source and summit of the Christian life, we ask God to give us a better understanding of the importance and dignity of the human person, who is made in God's image and likeness.

### **Baptism Course:**

The next session for the Baptism course will take place on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July at 9am in the Parish Hall. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

### **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.

### **St John Bosco Children's Camp – Brentwood Diocese:**

For children aged 9-12 years old (school years 5-7), a week of great fun, activities including climbing wall and zip wire, fishing, football, archery and much more, all in a beautiful setting. The Camp has a Catholic ethos and exists to give children a magnificent holiday. 26<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August. For more details, and application information: [www.boscocamp.co.uk](http://www.boscocamp.co.uk). The Camp is a special work of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood.

### **SVP Community Festival:**

St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Brentwood Community Festival – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July, 1 PM – 3:30 PM, Brentwood Cathedral. Come along to this free event celebrating the work of SVP volunteers across Essex and East London and discover how you can help make a difference in our community and beyond. Music, food, and displays of life-changing projects. All welcome! Book your free ticket: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/community-festival-svp-tickets-1404654331919](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/community-festival-svp-tickets-1404654331919)

### **Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025:**

The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan, will be from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025. The flights will be Southend to Lourdes. *For further information, please phone Tangney Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: [Brentwood Lourdes Pilgrimage - Tangney Tours](#).*

### **Sunday School:**

We will continue our sessions every Sunday for the Children and Parents at 9:50am. This will continue up to the Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.

### **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
- For the intentions of Pope Leo XIV

### **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 4<sup>th</sup> July.**

### **Dates for your Diary**

- **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June** – At 11am Mass Certificate & Photograph presenting for the Confirmed Candidates
- **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July** – First Communion Families Pilgrimage to Aylesford, coach leaves at 9am

### **Job Vacancy:**

**Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School Upminster** – Learning support Assistant – 2 posts. APTC points 3 – 4. For more information about the post or to book a visit to the School please contact SENCO, MS Dosoo, on 01708 222660. You can also visit the website to find out more. **Closing date for the application: 27<sup>th</sup> of June 2025.**

### **National Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to Walsingham, Saturday 2nd August**

**to be led by Bishop John Keenan of Paisley diocese, Scotland**

Everyone is invited to join in this pilgrimage either in person or via the Shrine livestream at <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>.

Details of the day and travel arrangements can found at [www.prolifepilgrimage.org](http://www.prolifepilgrimage.org)

### **Pilgrimage to Aylesford 12<sup>th</sup> of July:**

Coach departs at 8:45am and arrives at 10:15am. We will be returning back to St Albans at 3:30pm and arriving at 5:00pm.