

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	6.30pm	Rosetta Reehill (R.I.P)
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:00am	Susan Williams (R.I.P)
	11:00am	Richard Mahony (R.I.P)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July – Feria	9:00am	Anthony Raj (R.I.P)
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July – Feria	9:00am	Medical Staff looked after Anthony Raj
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July – Feria	9.00am	Breda Shepherd (R.I.P)
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July – Feria	9.00am	Olivia & Family Birthday Blessing
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July – <b>St Benedict</b>	9:00am	Clarence Miranda (R.I.P)
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> July – Feria	9:00am	Noah Jeyakumar (Int)

### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	6.30pm	Mr Bose Guntupalli (R.I.P)
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:00am	Henry Hughes (R.I.P)
	11:00am	People of the Parish

### Reflection for the Week:

A recent survey asked the question, 'Why do adults join the Catholic Church in spite of the scandals publicised in the media?' Seventy-five percent of the new adult converts to the Catholic Church reported that they were attracted by a personal invitation from a Catholic who had a lively relationship with Christ and his Church. As faithful Catholics, we will attract others to the Catholic Church just as a rose attracts people by its beauty and fragrance. It's our job. It's our responsibility. We must not miss the current opportunities to be apostles in everyday life by our words and deeds.



## ST ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Dear friends,

Heroes of legend often begin their journeys into the unknown alone, with just their wits and an inborn courage to sustain them. So, Jesus sends his disciples off without the usual provisions for a journey. But there the similarity ends. He sends them out not alone, but in pairs. They are to bring no earthly talisman with them, but Christ's own peace. Few of us live out following Jesus in that radical way, nor with the same single mindedness. We cushion our lives with as much comfort and security as we can. But every now and then come those moments of recognition when we realise that our material possessions and achievements are in the end – immaterial. As one saying goes 'There are no pockets in a shroud'.

It is only our God-given spiritual gifts which protects us on our life's journeys. The minimum is also a great teacher, opening us to appreciate what we have received from others, and give of what we have. The hero travels alone, but the Christian journey is made in community and has at its heart the desire to spread the peace of God's kingdom. Every Christian is sent by Christ into the world as a messenger of hope and love. The 'world' here means the area in which I live, my places of work, the people I meet every day and so on. An active concern for the world and for other people is an essential mark of a good Christian. We are all responsible for some small corner of the Lord's vineyard where it is up to us to take part with joy in this wonderful task of spreading the kingdom of God.

### PRAYER

Lord, the harvest of your love is abundant, but those who work to make this love visible in the world are few. Help us to take part with joy in this wonderful task, and to work for the coming of your Kingdom.

*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:**

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### **Loose**

£451.50

### **Envelopes**

£259.00

### **Right to Life:**

The Lord tells us that He has revealed the mysteries of the Kingdom to little children. Let us, therefore, ask for the grace to protect all children - born and unborn - from every form of harm.

### **Baptism Course:**

The next session for the Baptism course will take place this 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 – this Saturday 12th 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 next 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:**

This is the last weekend for Sunday School until September. The dates will be published later, after our pilgrimage to Aylesford.

### **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 7<sup>th</sup> August.**

### **Dates for your Diary**

- **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July** – First Communion Families & Parishioners Pilgrimage to Aylesford next Saturday. Coach leaves at 8:45am

### **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.

### **R.I.P**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gion Rozzo who died recently. His funeral will take place on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of July at 1pm.

### **PARISH ADMINISTRATOR – St Mary Mother of God– Hornchurch**

St Mary Mother of God in Hornchurch are looking for a Parish Administrator to provide complete and comprehensive administration for the church community and also carry out some financial duties. The successful applicant will need to have excellent communication and administration skills as well as financial experience. Hours: 20 to 22 hours per week working three or four days per week. Pay is dependant on skills and experience. The full job description can be accessed on our diocese website [Vacancies - Brentwood Diocese](#) Please apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to [hr@brcdt.org](mailto:hr@brcdt.org) . **Closing date for applications is Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 12 noon.**