

MASS INTENTIONS
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Saturday 13th June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:30pm	Julian Avasiloaia (Int)
Sunday 14th June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00am	Peter Taylor (R.I.P)
	11:00am	Vijithaa (Thanksgiving)
Monday 15th June – Feria	9:00am	Felix D'Souza (R.I.P)
Tuesday 16th June – Feria	9:00am	Michelle & Family (Blessing)
Wednesday 17th June – Feria	9:00am	Daniel, Richard & Family
Thursday 18th June – Feria	9:00am	Olivia
Friday 19th June – Feria	9:00am	Michelle (Health)
Saturday 20th June – Feria	9:00am	Manuexy Vianney Rosales (R.I.P)

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Saturday 20th June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:30pm	Michael Odea (Birthday Int)
Sunday 21st June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00am	Good Health
	11:00am	People of the Parish

Thought for the Week:

Jesus still calls, as he called the twelve, to continue the loving ministry of Jesus in the world. At baptism, we receive the water of God's love and the oil of service, completed in confirmation, marriage and ordination. The needs of God's people are as great today as then. In a world of addiction, suicide, confusion, poverty, injustice and many other big needs, Jesus still looks and sees people 'like sheep without a shepherd'. He calls each of us, male and female, young and old into his service.



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13th & 14th June 2026

Dear Friend,

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
Canon Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Nell Addison, Domingos De Albuquerque, Christophe Amblard, Sheeba Antony, Eva Au, Julian Avasiloaia, Michael Balfour, Mary Bowdler, William Bradbury, Rose Cahill, Marlene Camay, John Carty, Macmillan Chitoma Bras-Goncalves, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Gerry Margaret Dumbrell, Martha Dwyer, Zain Falzon, Fiona Forder, James Francis, Jean Floreutin, Mary Gallet, Anna Gawlik, Ian Gilling, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Ann Keaney, Baby Stephen Kelly, Mary Williams, 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, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Robin Stinson, Julia Stokes, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, The Salter Family (Bert, Charlie and Bert's Daughter-in-law), Charles Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Melon Vigo, Heather Wood, 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:

6th & 7th June 2026

Loose

£614.90

Envelopes

£564.00

Right to Life:

As we celebrate Father's day, we pray for all fathers who are expecting a child. That they would find peace in their changing circumstances and would be a source of support for the child's mother as they prepare for their child to enter the world.

Baptism Course:

The next session for the Baptism course will take place this Saturday the 11th of July at 9am in the Parish Hall. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

Holy Communion Programme 2025/26:

We continue the sessions for the children and parents not attending Catholic Schools until the 12th of July and it will be held every Sunday at 10:10 – 10:45am.

Confirmation Programme:

We congratulate the 14 young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation this year. Certificate distribution and thanksgiving Mass will take place next Sunday 21st of June at 11am.

Holy Hour:

Please note Holy Hour continues **every Sunday 6 -7pm.**

Mother & Toddler Group:

If you would like to join us, please contact Maria at or 07774 719 806 for more information.

Monthly Youth Mass

The next Youth Mass is on **Thursday 2nd July** at Brentwood Cathedral 7:30pm.

Post Confirmation Group:

The next meeting will be on Friday the 3rd of July at 6:30pm – 8pm.

St John Bosco Children's Camp, summer 2026:

Applications are open for children currently in school year 5 – 7 (i.e. aged 9-12 in August 2026) to spend a week at camp. 25th July – 1st August or 1st – 8th August. Activities include archery, fishing, aqua park visit, football, kayaking and much more. The camp is especially for children who may not otherwise have a summer holiday. Suggested donation £200, but full bursaries are available. All application details and full information are at www.boscocamp.co.uk. Places are going quickly – you are encouraged to apply this week.

Quiz Night:

There is a quiz night organised by the parents' association (FOSAA) of St Albans Primary School on Friday the 26th of June. It is £10 per person, which includes a portion of Fish and Chips (needs to be pre-ordered), tables of 8-10max. All are welcome! For more information, please contact Becky: 077012050949.

Dates For Your Diary:

- **Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass – Sunday 21st June at 11am**

Vocations Group:

We have started a vocations group. This will be for young people, year 10 and upwards. The next meeting will take place on Friday the 26th of June from 6:30pm – 8pm.

Day for Life 2026:

Next Sunday, 21 June, we mark the Day for Life under the theme "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb." The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: www.dayforlife.org. The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death. You can also donate online via the Day for Life website.

The Legacy of St Francis:

A fully edited version of the recent talk given by Fr Alban McCoy OFM Conv to mark eight hundred years since the death of St Francis of Assisi is now available free of charge from the home page of www.whatgoodnews.org. The talk was given at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park on 2nd May.

Assisted Suicide Bill:

There are now just six days left until Wednesday 17 June, when the MPs who were successful in the Private Members' Bill ballot will present their chosen Bills to Parliament. But some MPs will make their decision before then. That means there may be even less time to influence which Bill they choose. The Down Syndrome Research Foundation has launched a new tool that enables you to email your MP explaining why the return of the Leadbeater Bill would put people with Down's syndrome and learning disabilities at risk. [Email your MP - Down's syndrome and stopping the assisted suicide bill returning.](#)

Student Visiting our Parish:

We welcome Ollie Thorn to our Parish this weekend. He comes from the Parish of Brightlingsea, Essex. He is here to experience the life of St Albans and our community.

Aid the Church in Need Appeal:

There will be a second collection on Saturday the 27th and Sunday the 28th of June for the Church in need Appeal. John Ravi will be coming to speak to us at the end of Mass.