

# SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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## This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	6 p.m.	St Alban's	Private Intention	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year
Sunday	9 a.m.	St Felix	Maurice & Joe McDonagh's Intention	
	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Anthea Murphy, R.I.P.	
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Holy Souls	
Wednesday			No Mass today	St. John Bosco, Priest
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St Felix	In thanksgiving for safe delivery of Polly Beatrice Callanan	
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Annie Doyle, R.I.P.	The Presentation of the Lord.

## Next Sunday's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	6 p.m.	St Alban's	Eileen Harris, R.I.P.	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year
Sunday	9 a.m.	St Felix	Denis & Terrence Murnane, R.I.P.	
	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish	

## Collections last Sunday:

St Alban's:	Plate: £127.93	Gift Aid: £85.00
St. Felix:	Plate £28.00	Gift Aid: £85.00

## Counters:

This week: L. Griffin & T. Hitchings

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## Meetings this week:

Faith Exploration:

Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery

## Confessions.

Saturday in St. Alban's between 5 and 5.30 p.m

Canon Paul will also hear Confession on request after daily Masses

**100 Club:** The winner for January is no 26 – Michael Jones - Congratulations Thank you to all who sent your contributions in. Its not too late too join if you would like a number.

**Holy Communion at home:** If you are sick or housebound or know of anybody who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Canon Paul so that arrangements can be made

**Faith Exploration:** Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? Are you a Catholic who would like to know more about your faith? Come and join us on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery. The subject this week is 'A God who speaks'.

Next Friday is the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, also known as **Candlemas Day**. The Mass (9.30 a.m.) will begin with the blessing of candles. If anyone has a candle or candles they would like blessed for use at home, please bring them along.

**Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation** will start on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 5p.m. in the Presbytery.

There will be a meeting for the parents of those who would like their children to be prepared to receive the Sacrament of **First Holy Communion** this year on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 4 p.m. This meeting is to arrange a time which is most convenient for all concerned.

**Census Form:** In order to enable us to update our records I would be grateful if you would complete the parish census form with as much detail as you wish to disclose and return the signed form to the church or post it through the presbytery door. Please include dependants for family members in your household. The forms are at the back of the Church.

**White Flower Appeal 2024** will be this weekend. SPUC's vision is for a world where abortion is unthinkable. This year's appeal calls for the Government to end the pills-by-post DIY abortion policy. As well as ending the lives of precious babies, this policy lacks safeguards against late-term abortions, and puts mothers at physical and psychological risk. Please be as generous as you can. There will be a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend.

**The Catholic Post:** copies of this month's papers (February) are available at the back of the Church. A donation of £1 is suggested and can be placed in the Church donations slot in the wall box in the porch of St. Albans or in the basket provided at St. Felix.