

# SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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## This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	6 p.m.	St Alban's		2nd Sunday of Lent
Sunday	9 a.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish	
	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Don Calway (90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)	
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Anthea Murphy, R.I.P.	
	4 p.m.		Reception of the body of Eileen Harris into the Church	
Tuesday	1 p.m.	St Alban's	Requiem Mass for Eileen Harris	
Wednesday			No Mass today	
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St Felix		
Friday	12 noon.	St Alban's		St. David, Bishop

## Next Sunday's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	6 p.m.	St Alban's	Jimmy O' Donnell (R.I.P.)	3rd Sunday of Lent
Sunday	9 a.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish	
	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Nuala Stuart (R.I.P.)	

## Collections last Sunday:

St Alban's: Plate: £155.20 Gift Aid: £85.00  
St. Felix: Plate £57.00 Gift Aid: £85.00

## Counters:

This week: L. Griffin & T. Hitchings

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100 Club; The winner for February is no. 11 – T. Moore – Congratulations!

## Meetings this week:

**First Communion Class:** Thursday at 4p.m. in the Presbytery

**Confirmation Preparation:** Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Presbytery

**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

There will be 'Soup Lunches' in the Hall on Fridays during Lent after the 12 noon Mass. Donations received will be sent to CAFOD. As it is St. David's Day next Friday, there will be welsh cakes too. Look forward to seeing you there!

St. David's Day: There will be Solemn Mass in the Cathedral at 6 p.m. on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March led by Archbishop George Stack to honour the Patron Saint of Wales. All are welcome. See the notice at the back of the Church.

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 'The Bible'

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent appeal: This Lent, your donation to CAFOD'S Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia, with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today using the envelope or online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) and please join us in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families.

Amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill Right to Life U.K have requested we contact our MP to support an amendment to reduce the abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks can now survive outside the womb, leaving a contradiction in our abortion law. Postcards with further information are available at the back of the Church.

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 and dependants for family members in your household. The forms are at the back of the Church.

Eastern Valley Foodbank: The collection of food will be this weekend in both Saint Alban's and Saint Felix communities, but if you feel that you would rather give a cash donation then this can be placed in an envelope marked for this purpose and placed in the offertory basket

**The Catholic Post:** copies of this month's papers (March) 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.