

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

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| Saturday | 6 p.m. | St Alban's | Ann & John Smith (R.I.P.) | 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare) |
| Sunday | 9 a.m. | St Felix | People of the Parish | |
| | 11 a.m. | St Alban's | Thanksgiving | |
| Monday | 9.30 a.m. | St Alban's | Holy Souls | |
| Tuesday | 9.30 a.m. | St Alban's | Private Intention | |
| Wednesday | | | No Mass today | |
| Thursday | 9.30 a.m. | St Felix | | |
| Friday | 12 noon. | St Alban's | Holy Souls | |

Next Sunday's Masses and intentions:

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| Saturday | 6 p.m. | St Alban's | People of the Parish | 5th Sunday of Lent |
| Sunday | 9 a.m. | St Felix | | |
| | 11 a.m. | St Alban's | Don Calway's Intention | |

Collections last Sunday:

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| St Alban's: | Plate: £122.53 | Gift Aid: £180.00 |
| St. Felix: | Plate £46.08 | Gift Aid: £75.00 |
| CAFOD | £10 | |

Counters:

This week: L. & A. Whiting

Next week: M. Vidler & D. Gane

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

100 Club:

The winner for March is No. 36 – Sandra Jenkins – Congratulations!

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

There will be 'Soup Lunches' in the Hall on Fridays during Lent after the 12 noon Mass. Donations received will be sent to CAFOD. Look forward to seeing you there!

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 'Prayer'

There will be a Family Mass at the 11 a.m. Mass next Sunday when children from Padre Pio School will take part in the liturgy. There will also be a St. Patrick's Day Coffee Morning in the Hall after this Mass.

Forthcoming Deanery Events:

Deanery Mass and Meetings with Archbishop Mark: Last month Archbishop Mark issued a Pastoral Letter in which he discussed the proposed union of the Cardiff and the Diocese of Menevia, two Dioceses. As part of this process he said that he would be holding a series of Open Listening Sessions across both Diocese. The purpose of those gatherings will be to come together in the joy of our faith, in the different parts, to see how we might be a local Church which looks outward much more, to share the faith with those who do not believe, and to look at how we put our resources at the service of those most in need.

On Wednesday 10th April there will be an "an open discussion" with the Archbishop at St. Mary, Stow Holl, Newport at 5 p.m. followed by a deanery Station Mass.

Talk by Austin Ivereigh: on Thursday, 18th April at 7 p.m. in St. David's Church Pontnewydd, Cwmbran, Austen Ivereigh will share with us his considerable experience of the synod, both at home and in Rome.

Liturgical Assistants over the Tridium: Please indicate on the list at the back of the Church which services you are attending over the Easter period so that a rota can be made.

Flowers for our Churches for Easter: Donations to ensure our churches are beautiful would be very welcome and can be given to Priscilla or Margaret Vidler or put in with the collection in a clearly marked envelope.