

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish	16th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	Tina Dunne McCullen & Joseph Shannon, R.I.P.	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Barbara Szlasa, R.I.P..	
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Christopher Carter, R.I.P.	St Mary Magdalene
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Cathy MacGillivray, R.I.P.	St. Bridget of Sweden
Wednesday		No Mass today		
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St. Felix		St. James, Apostle
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's		Sts Joachim & Anne

Next week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	Michell & Bob Darer, R.I.P	17th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	People of the Parish.	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Nuala Stuart, R.I.P..	

Collections last Sunday:

St. Alban's:	Plate: £143.00	Gift Aid: £130.00
St. Felix:	Plate: £76.50	Gift Aid: £55.00
Apostleship of the Sea:	St. Alban's; £167.55	St. Felix: £65.05

Counters: This week: L. Peters & T. Hitchings Next Week; L.& A. Whiting

Meetings This Week:

U.C.M: Tuesday after the 9.30 Mass in the Presbytery
Faith Exploration: Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery

Confessions. Canon Paul will also hear Confession on request after Masses

Thank you to all who contributed to the collection for the Apostleship of the Sea (Stella Maris) last weekend.

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.

Rafferty Donnison will be baptised next Saturday at 12 noon in St Alban's Church. Please keep him and his family in your prayers

The Pope's intention for July: Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

Eastern Valley Foodbank: The collection of food will be next 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.

Next Sunday is the fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Pope Francis has given the day the theme "do not cast me off in my old age from Psalm 71:9" As the Pope says, we should cherish the elderly and recognise that there's no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to grandchildren.

Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Penrhys: Sunday 18th August. Pilgrim Mass of the Assumption of Our Lady 3.00 pm at the foot of the statue

Annual Pilgrimage to the Grave of St John Kemble. This year's Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 18th August. 10.15 Walk from Monmouth to Welsh Newton; 3.00pm Rosary and Prayers at Welsh Newton
4.15 Benediction in St Mary's Monmouth Further details on the notice board.

Do you need childcare provision for a nursery-age child (3-4 years old)? We're exploring the possibility of opening a nursery class and want to establish if there is sufficient demand. The Local Authority won't fund nursery education in our school and so we are working with Willow Tree, a childcare provider, to offer nursery placements to children who will join our Reception Class the following year. There is a fee for using the childcare provision but, where eligible, fees can be paid with childcare vouchers.