

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	Deborah Arnett, R.I.P.	21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	People of the Parish	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Richard White, R.I.P.	
Monday		No Mass today at St Alban's		St. David Lewis
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Shelagh Mills, R.I.P.	St. Monica
Wednesday		No Mass today		St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St. Felix		The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's		

Next week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish.	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's		
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Richard White, R.I.P.	

Counters: This week: L. & A. Whiting Next Week; D. Gane, & M. Vidler

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

There will be Mass in Usk on Monday morning at 10 a.m as it is the Feast of St. David Lewis.

Meetings next week: Faith Exploration: Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery

Thank you to all those who helped in any way last Sunday and all those who came into the Hall. It was a lovely social event, Perhaps we should have a coffee morning on a monthly basis?

Congratulations to Connell Pearce who will be baptised on Sunday Morning after Mass. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Annual Pilgrimage in honour of St David Lewis Sunday 25th August: Solemn Evening Prayer & Benediction at 3.00pm SS Francis Xavier and David Lewis Church, Porth-y Carne Street, Usk NP15 1RZ.

Walking Pilgrimage to the place of execution, And then on to the grave of our local Saint and Martyr at St Mary's Priory Church. Concluding with veneration of the relic

SPUC Cardiff & Districts 50th Annual Sponsored Walk will take place on 15th Sept. Lorraine & Mansell Howells will be taking part. If anyone would like to participate please contact Lorraine. There are sponsor forms at the back of the church for anyone who would like to support the cause.

AFTERNOON TEA: Sunday 22nd September in the Hall. We have had this event before and it was very successful. Tickets will be available from the Church from today. Adults £10 - children £5. **Have you got any old photos of our church and hall?** Wouldn't it be great to have display of them? It would be lovely to have a trip down memory lane. We would be grateful for any parishioners might have.

Ecumenical Vespers at Tintern Abbey; Archbishop Mark will preach at a Sung Ecumenical Vespers, praying for peace, with the monks of Belmont leading the singing, on Sunday 8th September at 3pm at Tintern Abbey. Please find attached a poster, which will also be sent round to parishes.

New Lectionary Formation Days The Liturgy Commission has arranged two days of information, preparation, and training for Clergy, Ministers of the Word, and interested parishioners in preparation for the advent of the new lectionary. (1) **On Saturday 5th October** Father John Hemer MHM, Scripture Lecturer at Allen Hall, will lead a day in the Parish Centre at Our Lady and Saint Michael, **Abergavenny**. And (2) **On Saturday 19th October** Father Javier Ruiz-Ortiz, Dean of Studies in Allen Hall, will lead a day in the Parish Centre at Saint Mary, **Bridgend**. Each day will run from 10.30 to 3pm. Tea and coffee will be available as people gather 10 – 10.30am, and during the lunch break – please bring your own packed lunch.

All those wishing to attend must register by contacting Kirsty Vater (Kirsty.vater@rcadc.org), specifying which day and venue they wish to attend. Those without access to email can register by contacting Fr Laurence by phone on 029 2037 9031.

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.