## SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish
Monday	10 a.m.	St. Alban's	Millar & Cowley Families
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	St. David Lewis.
Wednesday		No Mass Tod	lay St. Monica
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St. Felix	St. Augustine, Bishop
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	The Passion of St. John the Baptist

**Next week's Masses and Intentions** 

Saturday
4.30 p.m. St. Felix Mc Culloch Family Int **22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**6 p.m. St. Alban's People of the Parish

Sunday 11 a.m. St Alban's Eileen Jones, R.I.P.

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

**Rosary** will be said before Sunday Masses (starting twenty-five minutes before Mass)

Annual Pilgrimage to the Grave of St. John Kemble

This year's pilgrimage takes place this Sunday
10.15 a.m. Walk from Monmouth to Welsh Newton. 3p.m. Rosary and Prayers at Welsh Newton 4.15 p.m.
Benediction in St. Mary's Monmouth.

<u>Annual Pilgrimage in honour of St. David Lewis</u> Solemn Evening Prayers & Benediction on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 3 p.m. at SS Francis Xavier and David Lewis Church, Usk. 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.

**Next Sunday** would have been the date for our monthly Holy Hour but due to the pilgrimage in honour of St. David Lewis this won't take place.

<u>RIP</u> Please pray for the repose of the soul of Deacon David O'Keefe who has died recently. His funeral will take place in St Mary's, Merthyr Tydfil on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept at 12.30pm

CAFOD: RESPONSE IN GAZA: Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. And with your ongoing support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. You can find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at <a href="cafod.org.uk">cafod.org.uk</a>. Thank you for backing our work through holding collections for our Family Fast Day appeals and for continuing to <a href="pray for peace">pray for peace</a> in the Middle East. As Cardinal Pizzaballa (Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem) says, "Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there-crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble, and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering."

<u>Mothers Prayers</u> We are delighted to warmly invite all mothers, grand- mothers, and women with a heart for children who may not be parents, to a meeting with the national co-ordinator of Mothers Prayers UK, to find out how to set up & run our own local groups.

The Event: All Hallows Church, School Road Miskin CF72 8PG on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 10am – 2.30pm, with free lunch.

We will be led to understand the power of Mothers Prayers groups, how they began under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and how they now flourish in 120 countries worldwide. The groups usually are small, powerful, intimate and faith filled, where we surrender our children and the children of the world in prayer and trust to God's love and mercy. Jer. Ch 31 v 16,17 (Good News Bible) Further Info: noracwoodward@gmail.com

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