

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish.
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	
Wednesday		No Mass Today	
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St. Felix	
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Most Holy Name of Mary

Next week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	Gill Davies	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	People of the Parish	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's		

Counters: This week; D. Gane & M Vidler

Next week; L. Griffin & T. Hitchings

Meetings this week: U.C.M. Monday at 2 p.m. in the Presbytery

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

Preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism for children up to 7 yrs. The next meetings will be on Friday 26th of September and Friday 3rd of October at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery. If you wish your child to be baptised, please contact Canon Paul to express your interest

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.

Mothers Prayers 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 13th 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:

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The Catholic Post: copies of this month's papers (September) are at the back of the Church. A donation of £1 is suggested and place it in the Church donations slot in the wall box in the porch of St. Albans or in the basket provided at St. Felix.

Monday was World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and marks the beginning of the ecumenical season of Creation which ends on 4th October (the Feast of St Francis of Assisi) The theme for this year's Season of Creation is "Peace with creation" and is based on Isaiah 32:14-18. The prophet pictured a desolated creation without peace because of the lack of justice and the broken relationship between people and God. This description of devastated cities and wastelands reveals how human destructive behaviours have a negative impact on the Earth. Yet there is still hope that creation will find peace and flourish when justice is restored.

In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2025, Pope Leo says "now is the time to follow words with deeds....By working with love and perseverance, we can sow many seeds of justice and thus contribute to the growth of peace and the renewal of hope."

The full text of the Pope's message can be found on the Vatican website <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/creation/documents/20250630-messaggio-giornata-curacreato.html>

Flowers for the decoration of our Churches: the fund is getting low and we would appreciate some donations. These should be given to M. Vidler or left in the Sacristy in a clearly marked envelope