

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	Marsden Family	First Sunday of Advent
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Margaret Salter	
Wednesday			No Mass Today	St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Thursday	11.30 a.m.	St. Felix.	Requiem Mass for Teresa Moore	
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	

Next week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	Teresa Moore, R.I.P	Second Sunday of Advent
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	Teresa Moore, R.I.P.	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	People of the Parish	

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

Meetings this week: U.C.M. Monday 2 p.m. after Adoration from 1.30p.m. to 2 p.m.
RCIA/Faith enquiry course Thursday at 7 p.m. in Usk Parish Hall

1st Sunday of Advent (today) is a Family Mass. We will be joined by Staff and Children from Padre Pio School. There will be Tea and Biscuits/Cakes in the Presbytery after Mass. Tea/Coffee and Cake £3

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. To date we have not received any forms back. There is a date set for Confirmation **The closing date for applications is today** The forms are at the back of the Church. NO applications will be taken after this day

First Communion 2026: If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like them to be prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion next year – Please take a form from the back of the church, complete it and return it as soon as possible. The closing date for applications is Sunday 14th of December. Applications received after this date will not be accepted.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ann Bath on receiving a long service award from the St. Vincent de Paul. Ann has been a member for more than 45 years and has memories of going visiting with her father before women were allowed to join the society. Ann is still visiting and bring comfort to people. If anyone would like to join the St. Vincent de Paul I am sure Ann would be delighted to speak to them

CHRISTMAS PRIZE DRAW: Thank you for the donation of the money prizes for the draw. Prizes are slow coming in this year donations will be gratefully received and may be brought to the Sacristy. Only 3 weeks to go, please do what you can to sell as many tickets as you can. This is our main annual fund raiser for the Parish and we hope that all parishioners will do what they can..

The Catholic Post: copies of this month's papers (November) 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.

Padre Pio School Final Open Evening for new parents – Monday 1st December-6pm Are you considering applying for a place in our reception class September 2026? Please come along to our open evening on 1st December at 6pm. Please let other families who may be interested know about this date, thank you.

Eastern Valley Foodbank: The collection of food will be at all Masses this 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.

Torchlight Procession

There will be a torchlight Procession for peace in the world at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Newbridge, NP11 4RB on Thursday 4th December at 7.00pm.

The Outside Crucifixion Scene:

The work continues and it is hoped that the Cross will be back up in time for Christmas all being well. Thank you to all those who have contributed.

Archdiocesan Newsletter

The latest Archdiocesan Newsletter is now available to read online.

<https://tinyurl.com/2bn38xdf>