

# SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

Saint Alban's Church and Presbytery  
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## **This 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	The Immaculate Conception
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	.Annie Doyle, R.I.P.	
Wednesday		No Mass Today		
Thursday	9.30 a.m..	St. Felix.	Powell Family Intention	
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	

## **Next week's Masses and Intentions**

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St. Felix	Derek Matthews, R.I.P.	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's		
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:**

RCIA/Faith enquiry course

Thursday at 7 p.m. in Usk Parish Hall

**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 14<sup>th</sup> of December. Applications received after this date will not be accepted.

**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. The draw will be on next Sunday after the 11 a.m. Mass. This is the final push so 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 (December) 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.

**New email address.** Please note that there has been a slight change in the diocesan email addresses and the new email address for the parish is [pontypool@cardiffmenevia.org](mailto:pontypool@cardiffmenevia.org)

**RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brian Bird who has died recently. May he rest in peace.

## **Christmas Mass times**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

**5.30pm St David Lewis, Usk** Christmas Vigil Mass

**7.30pm St Albans, Pontypool** Christmas Vigil Mass

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.15am St David Lewis, Usk** Christmas Morning Mass

**11.00am St Albans Pontypool** Christmas Morning Mass

**11.00am St Felix Blaenavon** Christmas Morning Mass

**Fr Peter McLaran has kindly agreed to celebrate the Mass in Blaenavon.**

**The Outside Crucifixion Scene;** The figure of our Lord has had to go for sand blasting because of paint that's been applied over the years. Once done he will be powder coated in matt white. We are quietly confident that it will be ready for Christmas.

**Walk with me- A Journey of Prayer for Advent.** These books have arrived late but if you would like to have a copy, they are available from the Repository £1

**Church cleaning** for Christmas will be on Saturday 20th December from 10 a.m.

**Flowers for our Churches for Christmas** Thank you to those ladies who do the flowers and work so hard throughout the year to make sure our churches look beautiful. They always make a special effort for Christmas and Easter. Donations for flowers are always welcome but especially at special times