

## St Alban's Pontypool and St Felix Blaenavon

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### Masses for the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Saturday 10 January	4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Albans	<i>Vigil Masses for Sunday</i> Alan Hillier RIP People of the Parish
Sunday 11 January	9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>  Eileen Harris RIP
Monday 12 January	9.30am St Albans	<i>Week 1 Ordinary Time</i> Holy Souls
Tuesday 13 January	No Mass at St Albans 12 00 noon Usk	<i>Week 1 Ordinary Time</i>
Wednesday 14 January	No Mass Today	<i>Week 1 Ordinary Time</i>
Thursday 15 January	9.30am St Albans	<i>Week 1 Ordinary Time</i> Holy Souls
Friday 16 January	9.30am St Albans	<i>Week 1 Ordinary Time</i>
Saturday 17 January	4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Albans	<i>Vigil Masses for Sunday</i> Elizabeth Evans RIP People of the Parish
Sunday 18 January	9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>  Christopher Larkin RIP

**Please Note the changes in Mass Times this week. There is no morning Mass in St Alban's on Tuesday and the Mass on Thursday will be in St Alban's at 9.30am**

### RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Klaus Steigerwald who died on New Years Eve. His funeral will take place in St Alban's on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 11.00am. May he rest in peace.

### Year books

The Archdiocesan Year Book and Directory for 2026 is available at the back of the Church price £5 a copy. The Directory contains details for all the Catholic Churches in Wales and the Liturgical Calendar for 2026

### Thank You,

Many thanks to those who offered to help with opening the Church for the weekend Masses in St Alban's and for assisting with the various Catechetical Programs. We still need volunteers who can assist with the First Communion and Confirmation Programs. If you are able to help please contact Fr Paul.

### Archbishop's Newsletter

Archbishop Mark's newsletter for December is available on the Archdiocesan website, [www.rcadc.org](http://www.rcadc.org)

Last Wednesday during his weekly General Audience, Pope Leo began a new series of catechesis which is dedicated to Vatican Council II and a rereading of its Documents.

He says: 'The documents have lost none of their relevance and are pertinent to the demands and challenges of today. Closely studying the Council documents will help us to be attentive interpreters of the signs of the times, and to proclaim the Gospel to all. As we make our journey of rediscovering the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, let us welcome the past with its rich tradition; let us consider the present with its joys and sorrows; and let's look towards the future with an urgent appeal for greater justice, love and peace.

The Pope's weekly Catechesis is published on the website for the Holy See and it may well be worth following his catechesis on Vatican II during the year.

### Pope Leo's weekly Catechesis