

# St Alban's Pontypool and St Felix Blaenavon

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## Masses for the week beginning 29 March 2026

Saturday 28 March	4.00pm St Felix 6.00pm St Alban's	<i>Vigil Masses for Sunday</i> Keith Knight
Sunday 29 March	9.15am Usk 11.30am St Alban's	<i>Palm Sunday</i> In Thanksgiving (Kubiak)
Monday 30 March	9.30am St Alban's	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i> Holy Souls
Tuesday 31 March	No Mass Today	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>
Wednesday 1 April	No Mass Today	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>
Thursday 2 April	7.00pm St Albans	<i>Maundy Thursday</i> Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 3 April	3.00pm St Alban's 7.00pm St Alban's	<i>Good Friday</i> Commemoration of the Lord's Passion Stations of the Cross
Saturday 4 April	7.00pm St Alban's	<i>Holy Saturday</i> Easter Vigil
Sunday 5 April	9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban's 11.00am St Felix	<i>Easter Sunday</i> People of the Parish Trina Hitchins (Well being) Colin Bath

**Counters** This week L Hunter & L Griffin Next week ....

Canon Paul will be celebrating the Services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday in Usk. The Services in Pontypool will be covered by Priests of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. Fr Peter McLaran will celebrate the Easter Morning Mass in Blaenavon

## Holy Week.

Today we begin the most sacred week in the church's year which celebrates the Paschal Mystery, the passion and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and his victorious resurrection, his triumph over sin and death and his glorification by his Father. Leaflets giving the times of the services are available at the back of Church,

## Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will take place in St David's Cathedral Cardiff on Tuesday at 11.00am.

The Chrism Mass is a major liturgical celebration which the Archbishop concelebrates Mass with the priests of the Archdiocese and consecrates the Sacred Chrism and blesses the oil of the sick and the oil of catechumens which are used in the celebration of the Sacraments. The priests present renew their priestly promises.

## Good Friday Collection

There will be a retiring collection at the Service on Good Friday. This is an annual collection to support Christian sites and communities in the Holy Land.

The Christians in the Holy Land are suffering due to the ongoing conflict and the long absence of pilgrims, Many Christian families, who earned their livelihood from the Holy Places and activities related to pilgrimages, are now in great difficulty and this collection gives them vital support. and employment crisis. Many Christian families, who earned their livelihood from the Holy Places and activities related to pilgrimages, are now in great difficulty".

## Gift Aid

The Gift aid envelopes for 2026/2027 are now available at the back of the church If you are a UK taxpayer. Gift Aid enables the parish to reclaim the tax you have paid on your weekly collection adding 25p for every £1 you donate. If you would like to join the scheme please collect a form from the sacristy.

## Baptism

Next Sunday Lillie Williams will be baptised at the 11.00am Mass in St Alban's. Please remember her in your prayers as she prepares for this important occasion

## Easter Offering

The collection on Easter Sunday is traditionally an offering for the clergy and envelopes are available at the back of the church

## Deanery Station Mass

The Archbishop will celebrate the Station Mass at Our Lady & St Michael's Abergavenny on Thursday 16th April at 7.00pm

## Archdiocesan Newsletter

The March edition of the newsletter is now available on the Archdiocesan website [rcadc.org](http://rcadc.org)

