

St Alban's Pontypool and St Felix Blaenavon

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Masses for the week beginning 13 September 2026

Saturday 12 September	4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Alban's	<i>Vigil Masses for Sunday</i> Gary & Pricilla Probert Intentions People of the Parish
Sunday 13 September	9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban's	<i>24th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> Margaret Evans RIP Lynn Peters RIP
Monday 14 September	9.30am St Albans	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> Fr Jon Bielawski RIP
Tuesday 15 September	12.00 noon Usk	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> Betty Robertson RIP
Wednesday 16 September	No Mass Today	<i>Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian</i>
Thursday 17 September	9.30am St Felix	<i>Week 24 of Ordinary Time</i>
Friday 18 September	12 noon Usk	<i>Week 24 of Ordinary Time</i> CAFOD Mass
Saturday 19 September	4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Alban's	<i>Vigil Masses for Sunday</i> Mary Murnane People of the Parish
Sunday 20 September	9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban's	<i>25th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> Rocco Gurnari RIP

Please note that there will not be Rosary and Mass at St Alban's this coming Friday evening

Baptism

Next Weekend we welcome James McCormack-Preece into our parish community. He will be baptised in St Albans on Sunday afternoon

Counters This week: L Griffin & L Hunter Next week: M Vidler & D Griffin

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Murnane who died recently. May she rest in peace.

Home Mission Sunday

Next Sunday, we will celebrate Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate our faith, and to look for ways in which we can all do our part in sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ.

There will be a Second Collection next weekend to support the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate.

First Communion 2027

If you have a child in year 3 or above who would like to be included in the next course of preparation for First Holy Communion, please complete a registration form at the back of the church and return it to the presbytery by 12th October

Choral Concert at St Albans.

On Saturday 17th October there will be a Concert by Swn y Gan Choir to celebrate the 180th Anniversary of St Albans Church.

Swn y Gan is a South Wales based mixed choir made up of experienced local singers from a variety of backgrounds. The choir performs all over the U.K. and performances have a mix of styles and genres including musical theatre, jazz, classical and contemporary.

The concert will begin at 7.00pm and tickets priced £7.50 are available from the Church.

CAFOD Mass

The Board of Trustees of Cafod have organised a Mass at St David Lewis Usk on Friday 18th September at 12noon. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark The Mass will be followed by refreshments at Usk Castle.

Catholic People

The September edition of the Catholic people is available at the back of the church. Suggested donation is £1 a copy.

Shroud of Turin

There will be an exhibition on the Shroud of Turin at St Mary's Church Stow Hill Newport from Sept 17th to Sept 27th (10.30am to 4.00pm). Admission is free.

To mark the opening and closing of the exhibition, there will be two special events. A talk by Pam Moon on Wednesday 16th September at 6.00pm, and an organ recital on Sunday 27th September at 3.00pm. Both events will take place in St Mary's Church.

Hospital Admissions

Due to patient Confidentiality, hospitals no longer automatically notify parishes when a Catholic is admitted. On admission to hospital you can inform the ward that you are a catholic and ask to speak to a member of the hospital chaplaincy team. In cases of emergency admissions, ask the ward staff to contact the on-call Catholic Priest via the hospital switchboard.

In cases of Planned Procedures or Surgery, You can request the Sacrament of the Sick before going into hospital and this can be administered after Mass, at home or in the church