St Alban's Pontypool and St Felix Blaenavon

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Masses for the week beginning 8 November 2026

Saturday 7 November	 4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Albans	*Vigil Masses for Sunday* People of the Parish Ken Jones
Sunday 8 November	 9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban's	*32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time* Mary Isabelle Ioannou RIP Holy Souls
Monday 9 November	 9.30am St Albans	*Dedication of the Lateran Basilica* Private Intention
Tuesday 10 November	 9.30am St Albans'	*St Leo the Great* Holy Souls
Wednesday 11 November	 No Mass Today	*St Martin of Tours*
Thursday 12 November	 9.30am St Albans 11.30am Usk	*St Josaphat* Mass for Year 7 St Alban's School Requiem Mass for Rocco Gurnari
Friday 13 November	 6.00pm St Albans 7.00pm St Albans	*Weekday of 32nd Week* *Exposition & Rosary* *St Albans*
Saturday 14 November	 4.30pm St Felix 6.00pm St Albans	*Vigil Masses for Sunday* Holy Souls People of the Parish
Sunday 15 November	 9.15am Usk 11.00am St Alban's	*33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time* Ivor & Susan Stroud RIP Higgins Family

Please Note the change in Mass times this coming week

On Thursday Fr Daniel will celebrate Mass for Year 7 St Alban's School at 9.30am

Family Mass
On Sunday 29th November the 11.00am Mass in St Albans will be a family Mass and we will be joined by Staff and pupils from Padre Pio School

Counters This week: A & L Whiting Next Week: L Hunter & L Griffin

RIP
Please pray for the repose of the souls of Ken Jones and Mary Rose Taylor who have died recently. May they rest in peace

The funeral for Ken Jones will take place in St Alban's on Thursday 26th November with a Requiem Mass at 11.00am

The funeral for Mary Rose Taylor will take place on Friday 27th November with a funeral service at 11.45am

Parish Meeting
Saturday 28th November
Many will be aware of the long -standing building problems with the church hall, resulting in its decommission a year ago. There are also building issues with the priest house, the church itself and boundary wall. Meetings have been held with the Archdiocese Property Dept to explore issues and various possible solutions. We would like to update our church community on the current state of the church buildings, our budgetary situation and possible resolves. For this purpose, there will be a Parish Meeting at St Alban's Church at 10.00 am on Saturday 28th November. This meeting is open to all parishioners and friends of the church. We would very much welcome and encourage as many people as possible to attend.

100 Club
The winner for October was Lorraine Howells and the winner for November is Rene Jeremiah. Congratulations

Newsletter
If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly newsletter by email please send you email address to the parish email pontypool@cardiffmenevia.org

Christmas Prize Draw
The Christmas Prize Draw is a major fund-raising event for the parish. Prize Draw tickets are available at the back of the Church and we would be grateful if you could take some books of tickets to sell amongst family and Friends.
We would also be grateful for donation of prizes for the raffle.

Relics of St Gerard Majella
On Tuesday 17th November, the relics of St Gerard Majella will be at St Mary's, Newport (NP20 1TP) for a 7pm Mass, followed by individual or family blessings. St Gerard is the patron of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. See poster for details - all welcome, and bring your petitions to this little saint!"

Advent Retreat for Secondary School Pupils
5th December 10am-4pm at St David's College, Cardiff. Cost £10 lunch included. Further details on the noticeboard

Deanery Advent Reflection Service
Friday 4 December at 6.30 pm at Our Lady & St Michael's Church, Abergavenny. As we journey through Advent, all are warmly invited to join fellow parishioners from across our deanery for an evening of prayer, reflection and fellowship as we prepare for Christmas. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Everyone is very welcome!

Sick and Retired Clergy Fund
Last week's collection for the sick and retired clergy fund came to £129.15
Counters