

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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No. 920

This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish	(7 th Sunday of Easter)
	6 p.m.	St Alban's	Maureen Ryan's intentions	
Sunday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Pat Ware's intentions	
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Wilma Steele, R.I.P.	
			Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11 a.m.	
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Kathleen Steele (Get well)	(Visitation of Our Lady)
Wednesday	6.30 p.m.	St Alban's	Rosary	
	7 p.m.	St Alban's	Holy Souls	(St Justin)
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St Felix	Davied Bath (Get well)	
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Anne Steigerwald, R.I.P.	

Next Sunday's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish	(Pentecost Sunday)
	6 p.m.	St Alban's	Tommie Robinson, R.I.P.	
Sunday	9.30 a.m.	St Alban's	Deceased members of the Healy family	

Holy Communion at home: If at the present time, you feel unable to re-join the parish community for Sunday Mass (or weekday Mass when there are fewer people present), and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Canon David so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Please continue to pray for **Archbishop-Elect Mark O'Toole** as prepares for his installation in our Cathedral on 20th June.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St Alban's on Wednesday from 6.30 – 6.55 p.m. and by arrangement with Canon David.

Meetings this week: U.C.M.: Tuesday after Mass in St Alban's Sacristy.

Collection last Sunday: St Alban's: Plate: £98.00 Gift Aid: £169.00
St Felix: Plate: £28.00 Gift Aid: £100.00

Counters: This week: L. Peters & T. Hitchings Next week: A. Jenkins & T. Hitchings

Water borehole for Refawa: The update from Fr. Alex is that the construction of the bases for the tanks and taps is now complete, and that water is flowing, but not yet through the taps! That will hopefully happen within the next few days! It just goes to show what a small regular contribution of £5 or £10 a month can do to transform the lives of up to 4,000 people! Having done the accounts for Kano during the week, these small but regular contributions have amounted to over £7,000. If you would like to donate towards the work we do in Kano either by a single donation or a standing order please speak to Canon David.

Eastern Valley Foodbank: The collection of food will take place this weekend in both Saint Alban's and Saint Felix communities, but if you feel that you would rather give a cash donation then this can be placed in an envelope marked for this purpose and placed in the offertory basket. Please remember to ensure that all food is non-perishable, in-date and undamaged.

Afternoon Tea in the Church Hall on Sunday 3rd of July at 4 p.m. Adults £7.50 and children £3. Tickets will be available from the back of the Church next weekend.

Repository: It is the First Communion season and we have a wide variety of cards available and items suitable for gifts for those who are receiving their First Holy Communion; mass books, rosaries, bookmarks and much more – Why not take a look? There are also a wide variety of cards for many occasions; please do have a look and support our Repository.

World Communications Sunday: In his message for this day, Pope Francis says "we are losing the ability to listen to those in front of us, both in the normal course of everyday relationships and when debating the most important issues of civil life." We all observe how there can be so much noise around us that we fail to give due and proper time to the things that really matter. There will be a retiring collection to support the work of the Catholic Communications Network.

Pope's Prayer intention for May: for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates and the dedication to service.

An adjustable bed looking for a new home: if you know of anyone who would like a single adjustable bed (top, middle and bottom) in good condition, please speak to Canon David.

World Youth Day 2023 is scheduled to take place in Lisbon, Portugal during the last week of July and the first week of August. We are looking to gauge the level of interest amongst those who will be aged between 16 – 30 next summer. Please speak to Canon David if you would like more information.