

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	People of the Parish
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Ann Jones R.I.P
Monday	No Mass today		
Tuesday	No Mass today		
Wednesday	No Mass today		
Thursday	No Mass today		
Friday	No Mass today		

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Our Lady of the Rosary

St. John Henry Newman, Priest

Next week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	People of the Parish
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St Alban's	Neil Jones, R.I.P.

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Counters:

This week: L. Griffin & T. Hitchings

Next Week; L. Peters & T. Hitchings

Confessions.

Canon Paul will hear Confession on request after Masses

Holy Communion at home: If you are sick or housebound or know of anybody who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Canon Paul so that arrangements can be made.

Pope's invitation to Pray for Peace

With the escalation of violence in the Middle East and the threat of War, Pope Francis has asked that Monday 7th October, the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, to be a day of fasting and prayer for peace in the world. In addition, Pope Francis will recite the Holy Rosary on Sunday at the Basilica of St Mary Major and invites people to do the same, invoking *Our Lady Queen of Peace*, and uniting their prayer with that of the Pope.

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Monsignor John Maguire, a retired priest of the Archdiocese, who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS PRIZE DRAW: Tickets have been ordered and should be with us in the near future. This is our main annual fund raiser for the Parish and we hope that all parishioners will help with selling tickets. Donations of prizes, including cash of £100, £50 and £25 will be gratefully received and may be brought to the Sacristy.

First Communion 2025: If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like them to be prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion next year – there will be an initial meeting for parents on Thursday 17th of October at the Presbytery at 5 p.m. Please come along so that we can arrange dates and times.

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL: The next meeting will be on Tuesday 15th of October at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery. Would all members please make every effort to attend.

CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal –

There will be a second collection this weekend for any donations you may wish to make or give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope.

SPUC Cardiff & District Annual Sponsored Walk Lorraine and Mansell have completed the walk and thank all those who sponsored them. If you have not already given your donations they would be grateful if you would so that the money can be sent to SPUC.

Padre Pio Catholic Primary School has as part of their Eco Committee's drive to reduce, reuse and recycle) a clothes bank on school premises (through the staff car park area to the back of the school). There is a list of acceptable items at the back of the church and when you have old or unwanted clothes please use their clothes bank.

The Catholic Post: copies of this month's papers are available at the back of the Church. A donation of £1 is suggested and can be placed in the Church donations slot in the wall box in the porch of St. Albans or in the basket provided at St. Felix.