

SAINT ALBAN'S PARISH

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This week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	Brian Foster, R.I.P.	31st Sunday of Ordinary Time
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St. Alban's	Joan Keogh, R.I.P.	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Monday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Wednesday	No Mass today			
Thursday	9.30 a.m.	St. Felix		All Saints of Wales
Friday	9.30 a.m.	St. Alban's	Joan Keogh, R.I.P.	

Next week's Masses and intentions:

Saturday	11.00 a.m.	St. Alban's	Mass of Remembrance	32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
	4.30 p.m.	St Felix	Brian Foster, R.I.P.	
	6 p.m.	St. Alban's	Holy Souls	
Sunday	11 a.m.	St. Alban's	Joan Keogh, R.I.P.	

Meetings this week

Faith Exploration Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Presbytery

Collection for September:

Gift Aid £1,537.00

Non Gift Aid: £777.84

Counters:

This week: L. Griffin & T. Hitchings

Next Week; L. Peters & T. Hitchings

Confessions.

Canon Paul will hear Confession on request after Masses

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Rosemary Dawkins**, **Joan Tritarelli** nee Sefton and Allan Probert (Gary's brother) who died lately. May they rest in peace.

Second Collection for Sick & Retired Clergy Fund: This Weekend

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Archdiocese's Sick & Retired Clergy Fund. The fund makes a vital contribution to providing our priests with a secure and dignified retirement. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please pick up an envelope or leaflet at the back of the church. You can also donate online by visiting the Archdiocese's website www.rcadc.org/donations/ or via the QR code (insert photo of QR code attached with this email)

Mass of Remembrance to remember and pray for the repose of the souls of our loved ones, especially those who have passed away in the last year will be on Saturday next, the 9th November at 11 a.m. in St. Alban's. There will be light refreshments in the hall afterwards

Christmas Prize Draw: Raffle tickets will be on sale at the back of the Church from this weekend. Please take a couple of books and try to sell them to family and friends. This is our main annual fund raiser for the Parish and we hope that all parishioners will help as much as they can. We have received the cash prizes – Thank you but we still need donations of other prizes which will be gratefully received and may be brought to the Sacristy.

November Dead List: November is the month when we especially pray for our deceased. Most of our Masses during November will be offered for the Holy Souls. Please pick up an envelope at the back of the Church for the names of your dead loved ones and return it with a donation as soon as possible.

SPUC Walk: Lorraine & Mansell would like to thank all those who sponsored them. The amount raised was £275

Padre Pio Mini Vinnies: are a group of children in our school who think of ways in which they can help children who are not as fortunate as themselves. As it is Harvest time they have been collecting tins of food some of which they want to give to pensioners in our Parish which they hope will be accepted with kindness and love.

Parish Council - We are looking to re-establish the Parish Advisory Council, which plays an important part in assisting the Parish Community in discerning the needs and priorities of the parish and give advice on major decisions which affect the life and well being of the Parish. We are looking 10 members of the parish to serve on the council and would be grateful if you would nominate a parishioner who would be willing to serve the parish in this way. The person nominated should give their permission for their name to be put forward. Forms are at the back of the Church.

Youth Advent Retreat Saturday, December 14th 2024, Young people from the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia are invited to participate in a special Advent Retreat at St David's College in Cardiff, at which the Archbishop will celebrate Mass. This event is organised by Cardiff-Menevia Youth Leaders and is aimed at those aged between 12-19. The day will offer the chance for prayer, discussion, fun, food, music, chat, presentations and Mass. The event will be led by Father Matt Roche-Saunders and Deacon Christian Mahoney. The cost of the event is £10 (includes lunch and transport) and payment can be made in cash or card on the day. Registration can be done through this link: <https://forms.gle/a5cks4e3Jm8R7SRj6> or by scanning the QR Code on the poster.

The Catholic Post: copies of this month's papers (November) are 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. Alban's or in the basket provided at St. Felix.