



PARISH OF ST JOSEPH & ST ALBAN

Serving the Communities of
Our Lady Star of the Sea & St Joseph & St Alban
Local Pastoral Area 21

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Do
what you can,
when you can,
with as much love
as you can, and
when you can't
Rest

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12th September Vigil Mass
6pm (St Alban's) Our Parish Family

Sunday 13th September
9.30am (St Alban's) Maureen Stanley
11am (St Joseph's) Bernadette & David Dodgson
6.30pm (St Joseph's) Joan Cringle

Monday 14th September Exaltation of the Holy Cross
9.30am (St Joseph's) Bro Thomas Therese

Tuesday 15th September Our Lady of Sorrows
12noon (St Alban's) Maureen Darcy
2pm (St Albans) Funeral

Wednesday 16th September SS Cornelius & Cyprian
11.30am (St Joseph's) Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament
12noon (St Joseph's) Tony Clarke

Thursday 17th September
12noon (St Alban's) Elizabeth & Peter Cawthron

Friday 18th September
11.30am (St Alban's) Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament
12noon (St Alban's) Thanksgiving for baby Thornber

Saturday 19th September
12noon (St Alban's) Kim Evans

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 19th September Vigil Mass
6pm (St Alban's) Dennis Evans

Sunday 20th September
9.30am (St Alban's) Carruthers Family Thanksgiving
11am (St Joseph's) Philip and Mary Parker
6.30pm (St Joseph's) Our Parish Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation
At this time please ring the parish office to make an appointment for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Offertory Collection

Plate £102.27 Gift Aid Envelopes £200
Non Gift Aid envelopes £132
Total £432.27

Many thanks for the standing order donations

If you wish to make any donation by cheque please
make the cheque payable to

St Joseph and St Alban Parish
Thank you

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who are sick

Dave Dodgson, Christine Turner, Sheila Ronayne, Kevin Thompson, Gwen Bucknell, Mary Pelling, Bart Cosgrove, John Dittman, Allan Bucknall, Anthony Jones, Brendan Mason, Joan Smethurst, Andrew Goldsmith, David Brown, Leonard Block, Ms Callaghan, Jimmy Dawson, George Cornah, Joan Hyslop, Irene Sadler, Brenda Cook, Dorothy Kineally, Margaret Casey, Pam Day, Jerry Murray, Lesley Elliot, Moira Morgan, Andrew Dunn, Jim & Libby Haugh, Freda Gooding, Phil Nicholson, Shirley Simpson, John McDavitt, Jackie Jones, Christopher & Clifford Browne, baby Roman Johnson, Odell intentions, Paul Martin, baby Molly Quayle, Tom Goodwin, Hilary Docherty, Peter Ridgway, Tom O'Neill, Fr Jim McGrath, Mary Murphy, Seána Donnelly, Peter Cawthron, Rónán O'Connor, Shelagh Dalton, Margaret Flowerdew, Tony Clarke, Pat Clayton, Barbara Evans, Margaret Bridson, Emily Simpson, Noreen Evans, Pauline Carew.

Recently Deceased

Gerald Williams, Kim Evans,
Liam Halpin, Jack Simpson

All victims of the Coronavirus
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time

Baptism Preparation

Although the monthly baptismal preparation programme is still suspended we are now able to celebrate Baptism services in our churches.

If you would like more information about having your child baptised please email the parish office

stalbanandstjoseph@yahoo.co.uk

Please add a contact number and we will ring you to arrange a date for a private preparation session.

At this time we have to place a restriction of 30 guests which includes family and godparents.

We look forward to welcoming your children into our parish family.

Offertory Collection

Thank you for your continued support

To avoid unnecessary contact we are unable to take the normal offertory collection during mass, however, there are baskets at the back of each church if you would like to make your offertory donation as you enter or leave the church.

Responses and Readings for Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

First Reading

 Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

Response to the Psalm

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life; it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

*I do not tell you to forgive seven times,
but seventy-seven times.*

Communion Antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

St Albans 200 Club

£25 44 Pat Walker £10 99 A Gallagher

If you need to know whether you are up to date with your payments please contact Mary Buckley on 630 4534.



Welcome to our parish family
to

Michael George O'Brien
who was baptised at St Joseph's
on Sunday 6th September

Thank you for the anonymous donation to
St Josephs Lourdes Fund.

With grateful thanks ...

The family of Jean Carruthers, especially her sons, wish to thank Father Devan & Father Ramesh, parishioners and friends, for the mass and sympathy cards, prayers and messages, and the work behind the scenes (for Covid Compliance), to make Jean's Funeral so dignified and meaningful. Also the Staff of Saint Alban's School for their understanding and their beautiful tribute to Jean. They are overwhelmed by your kindness. A Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Caritas and Red Missio Boxes

If you have a box which needs to be emptied please bring them to the parish office or leave them in the sacristy at mass times and collect them from the back of church when they are emptied.

Many thanks for following the guidelines and helping to make the masses a prayerful experience for everyone. Unfortunately, until we are told otherwise we **must** continue to:

- † **Please** wear a mask or scarf to cover the mouth and nose. This is **so** important and reassuring for those who are venturing out for the first time and need to feel safe.
- † **Please** keep your distance. Families can sit together; otherwise you must maintain the 1+ metre distance.
- † Use the hand sanitiser as you enter and leave the church.
- † Give your name and contact number each time you come into church.
- † The benches have been divided and marked for safe spacing so please remain in your seat until you are called forward to receive Communion.

- † At Communion, **please stay in your seat** until you are asked to join the queue. Please receive the host in your hand. After Communion follow the one way system around the church and return to your bench via the side aisle/s. Communion will be brought to those who are unable to move around the church.

- † You can light a candle **before** mass as we need to clear the church as quickly as possible afterwards. Please leave by the nearest exit, via main door or through the sacristy. **Please don't stop to chat in the church or in the doorways.**

Thank you for your patience and co-operation with the instructions, we must continue to do all we can so that everyone stays safe and keeps well.