

**For those who have died:**

Please keep in your prayers Eddie Doyle and Sally Baughan who have died. The funeral arrangements for Eddie are: Reception into St Alban's church on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.30pm and Funeral Mass on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 1pm. Sally's funeral will take place at St Alban's on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00 am. We keep their families in our prayers at this sad time.

**Derby Churches Night Shelter:**

If anyone would like to donate homemade cakes for the Night Shelter please contact Clare in the Parish Office. Your details will be given to Aidan Keogh who will arrange a date for collection of cakes.

**Parish Carol Service:**

Our special Carol Service takes place this Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup> December) at St Alban's beginning at 2pm. The children will be assembling the figures in the crib during the service. There will be mince pies, tea and coffee served afterwards.

**Wedding Bells:**

Congratulations to Elizabeth Beech and Quinton Golding who will be married at St Alban's on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm. Our prayers and best wishes go to Beth and Quin on this very happy occasion – God bless you both!

**Refreshments after 10am Sunday Mass:**

We provide a lovely opportunity after the 10am Mass every Sunday for people to come together, have a chat and enjoy a coffee or tea. It's great to see so many people coming along. All the money given over the last few months towards the coffee and tea was counted recently and believe it or not, we have collected £642! That's a fantastic amount raised through having a drink and a biscuit or two. Thanks to everyone who helps on the rota. Keep up the good work! If anyone would like to help on the coffee rota after Mass, please have a word with Clare Beech.

**Christmas Blessings:**

Wishing you all the joy and blessings that come with the Christmas season! I promise to keep you all very much in my prayers during the Christmas Masses. Thank you for your continued support and everything you do to make our parish vibrant, happy and full of active faith. Have a fantastic Christmas time, Fr Paul.

**Senior Parishioners Meal:**

A big thank you to Joan and Ed Duncombe, Becky, Ruth and all the team involved in making the Christmas meal for our senior parishioners last Saturday so special. Fantastic food, great entertainment and an expert wine waiter (!!!) made the whole event really wonderful. Everybody had a terrific time.

**Parish Epiphany Quiz Night**

There will be an Epiphany quiz night in the Parish Centre on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.30 pm. Bring something to drink, join a team and enjoy the fun. Everyone is welcome.

**Confirmation Programme 2014:**

St Alban's will be starting its 2014 Confirmation Programme on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 for Young People in Year 8 and above. We need to know numbers to help with planning. Please collect a form from Fr Paul or Clare Boyle in the Parish Office and return to Church by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014. If you have any questions about the course please see Fr Paul, Lewis Fenn-Griffin or Jo & Geoff Rowlands.

**Christmas Collection:**

The collection taken during the Christmas Masses is traditionally given to the Parish Priest. Fr Paul thanks you for your kind offerings!

**2014 Diocesan Yearbook**

They are now available from both churches. Price £3.00. Featuring articles and events that have taken place around the Diocese.

**Christmas Crib Offerings:**

This year the crib offerings will go to Missio's 'Mission Together' appeal helping children overseas to have access to catechesis, education and healthcare. Please remember the work of Missio when you say a prayer before the crib this year. Thank you.

**Bethlehem Candles:**

For the second year running we have been able to get some special Christmas candles made by families in Bethlehem. The candles are £5 each and all money will go directly to those Christian families in that holy town of Bethlehem.

**Parish Centre:**

The Parish Centre will be used every day from 8.30am – 3pm beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> January. An organization calling themselves 'Opportunity Knocks' will be using the facilities. Karen, Sarah and the team support vulnerable adults and help them to become more integrated into the community. We welcome them and look forward to working with them.

**Medjugorje Pilgrimages 2014:**

Two groups will be leaving from Birmingham Airport on 21<sup>st</sup>–28<sup>th</sup> May and 10<sup>th</sup>–17<sup>th</sup> September 2014. The cost is £544 including flights, transfers and half board. A payment of £100 deposit is required before mid February. More details on the poster on the notice board. If you are interested, please contact Kath on 0116 2340103.

**African Catholic Community:**

There is an invitation to St George's Derby on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 2pm for a Eucharistic gathering, carols party and African hospitality. All are welcome.

**Children's Liturgy Leaders:**

We are looking for any volunteers, who have experience working with young children, to help lead our children's liturgy on Sunday morning. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

**St Alban's Youth Group:**

There will be no Youth Group over the Christmas holiday. Sessions will start again Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

**Sacramental Policy**

**Baptism:** Parents who would like to have their babies or young children baptized please contact Fr Paul.

**Adults seeking Baptism** or wanting to find out more about the Catholic Faith, contact Fr Paul.

**Marriage:** Couples wishing to marry are required to give at least six months notice. See Father Paul.

**Communion to the Sick and Housebound:** If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like Communion at home, contact Father Paul, Loreta or Derek Hay: 280511.

# PARISH NEWSLETTER



## St Alban's Church

Roe Farm Lane, Chaddesden, DE21 6ET

## The Church on Oakwood

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## Fourth Sunday of Advent 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> December 2013 YEAR A (Weekdays Cycle 2) – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 4

### Services, Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Bridget Deegan RIP
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00 am	St Alban's	Brian Turner RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	The People of the Parish
		6.30 pm	St Alban's	Reception Service for Eddie Doyle RIP
Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	1.00 pm	St Alban's	Funeral Mass for Edward Doyle RIP
<b>Tuesday (Vigil Mass)</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>St Alban's</b>	Mary Fletcher RIP
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>Oakwood</b>	Family and Friends of Father Paul
<b>(Nativity of the Lord)</b>		<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>St Alban's</b>	Gorman & Watton Families & Annie Biddle
<b>Thursday (St Stephen)</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>St Alban's</b>	Fr Tom Lindon RIP
<b>Friday ( St John)</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>St Alban's</b>	Brian Moss RIP
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	St Alban's	William Stone RIP
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	St Alban's	Joan Eastwood RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	The People of the Parish

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

St Alban's: Saturday 5.45 pm – 6.15 pm.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at other times on request.

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

**\*NO ADORATION THIS WEEK\***

### **SANCTUARY LAMP:**

This week our Sanctuary Lamp burns for Pat Malone's intention.  
Please keep Pat in your prayers during the week.

### **Patients in our Hospitals:**

If you know of anyone in Hospital who would like a visit from the Chaplain, please use the following numbers:

For The Royal Derby Hospital contact switchboard on 01332 340131 or Sister Mary on 01332 346920.

For The Grove Hospital contact Fr Mark Brentnall on 01332 574474.

For Nuffield & Kingsway Hospitals contact Fr Paul Chipchase on 01332 514107.

Alternatively have a word with Fr Paul at St Alban's.

### Welcomers for weekend 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> December

St Alban's	Sat 6.30 pm	Ellen Taylor	Alice White
	Sun 10.00 am	Marie Rowley	Pat Orrell

### Readers for weekend 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> December

St Alban's	Sat 6.30 pm	Jessica Gilhooly	David Gilhooly
	Sun 10.00 am	Paul Wyatt	Lorraine Collins
Oakwood	Sun 5.00 pm	Alan	Susan
Counters	J & E Duncombe		

### **Catholic Schools:**

St Alban's Catholic Primary -  
01332 673823  
St Benedict Catholic  
Voluntary Academy -  
01332 557032  
St John Houghton Catholic  
Voluntary Academy -  
0115 9322896