

Baptisms:

Congratulations to Gabriel Sean Thomas and Ava Rose Gittus who will be baptized at St Alban's church on Sunday 29th December at 12.30pm. Our prayers and best wishes go to their parents and families. Well done everyone!

For those who have died:

Please continue to keep in your prayers Sally Baughan. Sally's funeral will take place at St Alban's on Tuesday 7th January at 11.00 am. We keep her family in our prayers at this difficult time.

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 Thanks:

Very many thanks to everyone who made the Christmas celebrations so wonderful. Lots of people worked really hard behind the scenes – to all those people, the welcomers, readers and those who decorated the church and made sure it was clean for our Christmas Masses, those who decorated both churches for the festivities – thank you! As always the music group at St Alban's really did us proud! The altar servers were terrific and everyone seemed to enjoy the celebrations. A personal word of thanks particularly for all the kind greetings, cards, gifts and extremely generous Christmas offering all very much appreciated. Thank you everyone! I wish you all happiness and blessings for the New Year of 2014. May God be always good to us. Fr Paul.

Parish Epiphany Quiz Night

There will be an Epiphany quiz night in the Parish Centre on Saturday 4th January 2014 at 7.30 pm. Bring something to drink, come along with a team and try to win our coveted Epiphany Quiz Trophy and enjoy the fun! Everyone is welcome.

A Family Prayer for the New Year 2014

Lord God,

Bless our family and all its members and friends;

Bind us together in your love.

Give us kindness and patience to support each other and wisdom in all we do.

Let the gift of your peace come into our hearts and remain with us.

And as we begin our new year, may we rejoice in your blessings in our lives, now and forever.

Amen.

Confirmation Programme 2014:

St Alban's will be starting its 2014 Confirmation Programme on 26th February 2014 for Young People in Year 8 and above. Remember you have until 1st January to register for the Confirmation programme. Please collect a form from Fr Paul or Clare Boyle in the Parish Office. If you have any questions about the course please see Fr Paul, Lewis Fenn-Griffin or Jo & Geoff Rowlands.

2014 Nottingham Diocesan Yearbook:

There are still a few copies of the 2014 Year Book still available from both churches. Price £3.00. Our Diocesan Year Book is full of information from Parishes as well as 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.

Parish Centre:

The Parish Centre will be used every day from 8.30am – 3pm beginning 2nd 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 21st–28th May and 10th–17th 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.

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.

Spiritual Healing:

Our next evening of Spiritual Healing will be held on Tuesday 7th January at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre.

The Church on Oakwood:

The Christmas crib at The Church on Oakwood was specially made by a number of schools in the local area. Children from St Alban's, Breadsall Hilltop, Park View and Oakwood sparklers made the figures and they take pride of place now in church. Have a look on our parish websites at the photos of the crib figures – they're fantastic! Thanks to all the children who helped: www.stalbansderby.org.uk www.thechurchonoakwood.org

Mass Intentions:

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one - or simply as a gift, there are Mass Intention envelopes available from both churches.

Sacramental Policy

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, Loretta or Derek Hay: 280511.

PARISH NEWSLETTER



St Alban's Church

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The Church on Oakwood

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Feast of the Holy Family 28th/29th December 2013

YEAR A (Weekdays Cycle 2) – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 1

Services, Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Saturday	28 th	6.30 pm	St Alban's	William Stone RIP
Sunday	29 th	10.00 am	St Alban's	Joan Eastwood RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	The People of the Parish
Monday	30 th	10.00 am	St Alban's	Loretta Hay's Intention
Tuesday (St Sylvester)	31 st	10.00 am	St Alban's	Con & Sheila O'Regan RIP
Wednesday (Mary, the Holy Mother of God)	1 st	10.00 am	St Alban's	Gorman & Watton Families & Annie Biddle
Thursday (Ss Basil the Great, Gregory Nazianzen)	2 nd	10.00 am	St Alban's	Lorraine Hughes' Intention
Friday	3 rd	10.00 am	St Alban's	Mathew Melbourne's Intention
Saturday	4 th	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Jimmy Kelly RIP
Sunday	5 th	10.00 am	St Alban's	The People of the Parish
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	John Rath's Intention

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

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.

SANCTUARY LAMP:

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

Welcomers for weekend 4th/5th January

St Alban's	Sat 6.30 pm	Dawn Kiddie	
	Sun 10.00 am	Cecilia Lewis	Angela Fairbrother

Readers for weekend 4th/5th January

St Alban's	Sat 6.30 pm	Wyn Hinks	Marianna Aitchison
	Sun 10.00 am	James Kissane	Christine Evans
Oakwood	Sun 5.00 pm	Eileen	Andrew
Counters	Frank Holmes	Eileen Rees	

Catholic Schools:

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