

For those who have died:

We keep in our prayers Patrick O'Connell who died recently. His Funeral Mass will be held at St Alban's Church on Wednesday 8th April at 9.30am. Please keep Pat's family in your prayers at this difficult time.

Penance Services around the Deanery:

There will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Holy Week on Monday 30th March at St Mary's Bridge Gate and Tuesday 31st March at St Alban's Chaddesden. Both services begin at 7pm. There will be a number of priests available for confessions at these services.

Wedding Bells:

Congratulations to Sophie Gray and Clive Reid who will be married on 2nd April at Morley Hayes. We wish them every happiness as they begin their married life together.

Spiritual healing:

There will be an evening of spiritual healing on Wednesday 1st April at 7.30pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre on Burton Road. Anyone is welcome to attend to recharge those 'spiritual batteries'. The healing session will end with refreshments at 8.30pm.

Swieconka – Blessing of Easter Food:

The blessing of meat, eggs and bread at the end of Lent is a Catholic tradition particularly popular amongst Polish people. It's called Swieconka (which is pronounced as: Sh-vee-en-soon-kah). On Holy Saturday (4th April) at St Alban's Church beginning at 10.30am, Fr Paul will bless the baskets of food, prepared and brought to church by families. The idea is that the baskets of food will be taken back home to be shared amongst family and friends on Easter Sunday. Everyone is welcome to come along for this simple informal service.

Table Top Sale - Diary Date:

The parish is organising a Table Top Sale (to include crafts, gifts, cakes and plants) for **Saturday 18th April** in St Alban's Parish Centre. If you would like to rent a table for £15 for the day please contact Susanna Aitchison on 07973372852 or Ellen Taylor on 01332 602346. See next week's newsletter for further update on this event.

Faith in Families Boxes:

It's time for the spring collection of the Faith in Families boxes. Could you please bring all boxes into church by **Sunday 26th April**. Thank you for your continued support.

Sanctuary Lamps:

If you would like to sponsor a sanctuary lamp (only £3) for a special intention, or even as a gift during the Easter season, forms are available from Church.

Family Activity Day at The Church on Oakwood:

On Good Friday (3rd April), 10am-1pm. Families can take part in fun craft activities, watch the 'Open the Book' team act out the Good Friday and Easter Sunday message. Everyone is welcome, aimed at Primary school aged children, but suitable for all. Entrance £1 per child, accompanying adults free. Includes free Hot Cross Bun!

St Alban's School PTA – Easter Raffle:

Congratulations to our lucky winner of the Easter Chocolate Hamper, Maureen Gray! The PTA would like to thank all those who contributed and for your continued support.

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross:

There will be 'Stations of the Cross' on Good Friday at 7pm at The Church on Oakwood. This will be an ecumenical service. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Walk of Witness:

There will be a 'Walk of Witness' taking place on Good Friday, beginning at 10am from St Philip's Church on Taddington Road processing to St Alban's Church for a short service and then on to Mayfield Road Methodist Church for the conclusion of our time together after which there will be hot cross buns and refreshments. Please join us if you can as we witness to our faith in Jesus' love on the cross.

Job Vacancies:

St John Fisher Voluntary Academy in Alvaston is looking to appoint a full time Key Stage 2 teacher from September 2015. For further information contact Mrs Harlow on 01332 572154 or email admin@stjohnfisher.derby.sch.uk
Closing date: Monday 13th April.

Palm (Passion) Sunday:

We begin Holy Week by celebrating Palm (Passion) Sunday today. The palm crosses will be blessed at the beginning of all Masses as we celebrate Jesus' entry into the City of Jerusalem. Please try to attend the Holy Week celebrations, especially the Sacred Triduum from The Mass of the Lord's Supper through to the most solemn and special celebration of the Easter Vigil at which five members of our parish community will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church.

First Holy Communion Dresses:

The Poor Clare sisters in Nottingham have a selection of beautiful First Holy Communion dresses, veils and accessories for sale. Telephone the Monastery on 0115 9278489 for further details. Some sample dresses are available to view at St Alban's after the Masses in the Parish Centre. St George's, Derby also have a wide range of new and used First Holy Communion dresses. Many have unique embroidery and beading designs and are in white or ivory. Dresses start from £15. Phone Betty Mooney on 01332 272065 for further details.

Easter Offerings:

At all Masses for Easter Sunday (including the Vigil Mass) the collection is traditionally a gift for the priest. Fr Paul thanks you for your kindness and generosity.

Easter Weekend:

There will be three Masses for Easter in our parish: The Vigil Mass will begin at 8pm on Holy Saturday with the blessing of the Fire, the service of light, Liturgy of the Word and the First Mass of Easter. Mass on Easter Sunday will be at 8.30am at The Church on Oakwood and 10am at St Alban's. Please note: There will be no Vigil Mass at 6.30pm on Saturday and no Sunday 5pm Mass at The Church on Oakwood.

Sacramental Policy

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

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 or contact the Parish Office.

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

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The Church on Oakwood

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Parish Secretary: Clare Boyle

Passion (Palm) Sunday 4th/5th April 2015 YEAR B (Weekdays Cycle 1) – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 2

Services, Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

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| Saturday | 28 th | 6.30 pm | St Alban's | The People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 29 th | 10.00 am | St Alban's | Peter Joseph Lewis RIP |
| | | 5.00 pm | Oakwood | Frank Deacy RIP |
| Monday | 30 th | 7.00 pm | St Alban's | Bridie Murphy's Intention |
| Tuesday | 31 st | 9.15 am | St Alban's | McCann & Eire Families |
| Wednesday | 1 st | 9.15 am | St Alban's | In Thanksgiving (the Farmer family) |
| | | 11.30 am | St Barnabas Cathedral | Chrism Mass |
| Thursday (<i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>) | 2 nd | 7.30 pm | St Alban's | Warren Poole RIP |
| Good Friday | 3 rd | 3.00 pm | St Alban's | Solemn Liturgy |
| | | 7.00 pm | Oakwood | Stations of the Cross |
| Holy Saturday (<i>Easter Vigil</i>) | 4 th | 8.00 pm | St Alban's | Family & Friends of Fr Paul Newman |
| Easter Sunday | 5 th | 8.30 am | Oakwood | The People of the Parish |
| | | 10.00 am | St Alban's | Martin Devine RIP |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

St Alban's: No Confessions on Holy Saturday
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at other times on request.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursday in the Weekday Chapel after 7.30pm Mass until 10pm

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 Barry on 01332 346920.

For Grove Community Hospital: Fr Mark Brentnall or Fr Slavic Hermanowicz on 01332 574474.

For Nuffield Hospital: Fr John Trenchard on 01332 343777

For Kingsway Hospital: Fr Paul Chipchase on 01332 514107.

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

This week our Sanctuary Lamp burns for Peter Joseph Lewis RIP. Please keep Peter in your prayers during the week.

Welcomers for weekend 4th/5th April

St Alban's Sat 6.30 pm Walter & Win Stone
Sun 10.00 am Pat Orrell Pam Carberry

Readers for weekend 4th/5th April

St Alban's Sat 8.00 pm TBA
Sun 10.00 am James Kissane Karen Billyeald
Oakwood Sun 8.30am Catherine Greg
Counters No counters required

Catholic Schools:

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