

Parish Newsletter 3rd/4th December 2022

| St Alban's Church | St Hugh's Church | The Church on Oakwood |
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| Contact us... St Alban's Roe Farm Lane, Derby, DE21 6ET Tel.01332 672914 & office@stalbandsderby.org.uk Pastoral & Mission Support Kay-Lee: Mon 10-2pm, Tues 10-3pm, Fri 10-3pm For Mass Intentions, Admin, Newsletter items & any bookings | Priest: Fr Roji Alex MSFS Roji.alex@dioceseofnottingham.uk Deacon: Juan Carlos Valer deacon.jcv@gmail.com Safeguarding: St Alban's & Oakwood Christianne: 07513725329 Christianne.sammutPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk St Hugh's Margaret: 01332 674216 Margaret.burnsPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk | Hospital Support In an emergency call The Royal Derby Hospital on 01332 340131 for the On-Call Catholic Chaplain British Sign Language Interpreter at St Hugh's 1 st and 3 rd Sunday of each month |
| Scripture Readings –2nd of Week of Advent A Online Readings at www.universalis.com/mass | | Our Sanctuary Lamp Burns this week for Pat Gilmour RIP |
| <p>Pray for those who have died Please pray for those who have died.</p> <p>Anne Cunniffe, whose funeral will be on the 6th December at 11.15am at St Alban's</p> <p>Anna Cuomo, whose funeral will be on the 8th December at 12pm at St Alban's. Her body will be received into church on the 7th at 6pm.</p> <p>John Grogan, whose funeral service is on the 13th December, 1.15pm at St Alban's.</p> <p>Please pray for their families at this time, may they rest in peace.</p> | | |
| <p>BIGGUNS & LITTLEUNS Monday 11am-1.00pm <i>Term Time only</i></p> <p>A group for all ages. An opportunity to meet new people and enjoy watching the children explore and play. We do activities for the children and the adults should they wish to join in. But its also fine for you to sit back and relax with a coffee and cake.</p> <p>@ St Alban's Parish Hall</p> | | |

The First Holy Communion Programme

programme will begin in January 2023 with Enrolment Mass on Sunday 11th December at 10:30.

Congratulations to Betsy and Wilf who will be baptised during the 10.30 AM mass at St. Alban's. Please keep them in our prayers.

Baptism Preparation

For all parents planning their child's Baptism in the coming months on **Monday 12th December at 7pm** at St Alban's.

Christmas eve mass at St Alban's church

Christmas Eve Mass will take place at **St Alban's Church at 4pm**. This year, the children's liturgy group will be playing an active part in this by performing the nativity after the Gospel. If your child is below the age of 7 and would like to be a part of re-enacting this wonderful scripture, there will be a rehearsal **during children's liturgy on the 18th December at 10.30 and straight after Mass in the church so that we can practise on the altar**. If your child does not want to be a part of the nativity but would still like to dress up, this would also be a lovely way to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

We have many different groups that work tirelessly that help make coming to church a welcoming and enjoyable place for all. However, many groups are desperate for more volunteers. We need help in so many ways, from readers, writing bidding prayers, counters, flowers, cleaning, social committee, 200 club and many more ways you can help. If you can support any groups or would like to know more about the different groups we have. Please speak to either Fr Roji or Louise Franik my email is: louisebooton@hotmail.com

Nativity at St Hugh's

Any children interested in taking part in our Christmas Eve nativity, please add your names to the list on notice board, at the back of church.

2nd Week of Advent

Events are streamed at www.derbycatholiclive.co.uk

| Day & Date | Place | Time | Event | Mass Intention |
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| Saturday 3 rd | Oakwood | 6.30pm | Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 4 th | St. Hugh's | 9am | Mass | Jean & John Duff RIP |
| | St. Alban's | 10.30am | Mass | Mark Booton RIP Birthday Paul Smith RIP Sydney Herbert Deakin RIP |
| Monday 5 th Feria | St. Alban's | 10.00am | Mass | Deceased friends& family of Sue & Martin Brown |
| Tuesday 6 th | St. Alban's | 11.15am | Funeral Mass | Anne Cunniffe RIP |
| Wednesday 7 th St. Ambrose | St. Hugh's | 10am | Mass | November Dead List |
| Thursday 8 th Immaculate Conception BVM | St. Alban's | 12pm | Funeral Mass | Anna Cuomo RIP |
| | St. Alban's | 6.30 pm | mass | Holy Souls |
| Friday 9 th Feria | St. Hugh's | 10am | Mass | |
| Saturday 10 th | Oakwood | 6.30pm | Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 11 th | St. Hugh's | 9am | Mass | Holy Souls |
| | St. Alban's | 10.30am | Mass | Mary McCabe RIP Geraldine Noonan RIP |
| Exposition of the blessed sacrament will be half an hour before each Mass starts | | | | |

Charity Christmas Knit

BBC Radio Derby are appealing for knitted blankets for someone in need over the winter months with rising costs of energy. If you can help please either knit your own blanket, or we are asking for 6" squares that we can sew together to create a larger blanket. Please bring completed squares to the parish office. Wool and knitting needles can be provided.

Youth Group

After discussing the plights of being homeless, we've asked everyone to donate hats, gloves, and toiletries for the Padley Centre, they'll use them to help the homeless people over the winter. We've suggested the young people go without something themselves and use the money to buy the items, this way they get a taste of what it feels like to go without. It will hopefully encourage them to connect with the homeless community and have a greater understanding of the issues they face. If you can and want to donate any items mentioned above or toiletries such as toothpaste, shampoos, sanitary items etc then please see Andy or Sally after Mass over the next couple of weeks.

Bishop Patrick will celebrate **First Vespers of the Immaculate Conception** of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron of our Diocese, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral on Wednesday 7th December at 6.30pm. During Vespers the new Chapter Canons (Canons-elect Andrew Cole, Matthew Jakes, John Kyne, and Peter Vellacott) and Honorary Canons (Canons-elect Stephen Dye and Stanley Ofoegbu) will be installed. All are very welcome, and to the Reception in Cathedral Hall immediately following Vespers.

WF Dance Academy @ St Hugh's

Children's Dance Classes. Age's 3-18. Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street Dance, Acrobatics and Music Theatre
Contact Hannah 07954 078769, Facebook: WF Dance Academy, Email: wfdanceacademy@gmail.com

Discovering our Faith Programme, for those who wish to become Catholic will be starting on the **8th December @ 7.00pm**. If you are interested, please speak to Fr Roji or contact the office.

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