

Baptism:

Congratulations to Samuel James Fairbrother who will be baptized at St Alban's Church on Sunday 18th December at 12.30pm. Our prayers and best wishes go to Samuel's Mum and Dad, Rachel and Peter, on this happy occasion. Well done everyone.

Red Mission Boxes:

If you have a red 'Missio' Mission box at home, please bring it in to church for collection as soon as possible. Remember to put your name on the label of the box.

The Church on Oakwood:

'25 years of ministry' DVD will soon be available. Price £5 on delivery. Sign your name on the sheet at church if you'd like a copy.

The Church on Oakwood:

You are invited to the Carol service this Sunday evening (18th December) at The Church on Oakwood beginning at 6.30pm. Mince pies are needed, so if you can make a few, that would be really helpful.

Spiritual Healing:

For the New Year diary... You are welcome to join us for the next evening of Spiritual Healing on Tuesday 3rd January at 7.30pm in St Alban's Parish Centre.

Christmas Mass Times:

Have a look at the purple sheet giving all the Mass times and the times of the services around Christmas. The times of Mass at Christmas are: **Christmas Eve vigil Mass at 6.30pm at St Alban's** (with carols from 6pm), **Christmas Day mass at 8.30am at The Church on Oakwood and 10am at St Alban's.**

For those who have died:

We remember very specially the happy repose of the souls of Phyllis Delay and Rose Buxton, both died on Tuesday at The Royal Hospital. Phyllis' funeral arrangements are: Reception of body into St Alban's Church on Wednesday 21st December at 6pm and Funeral Mass on Thursday 22nd December at 9.30am. Rose's funeral will take place at St Alban's on Wednesday 28th December at 1.30pm. Please keep their families in your prayers at this difficult time.

Decorating the Church for Christmas:

If you would like to help to decorate St Alban's Church for Christmas, come along Thursday 22nd December 11am. For further information contact Ellen Taylor on 602346 or Di Reid on 672091.

Our Parish Cafod Project:

There is a large Christmas card available at church for you to sign with your good wishes to your fellow parishioners, and with that card there is a collecting box for any contribution you would like to make in lieu of what it may have cost to send individual cards. The money will be added to our parish 'Connect2Rwanda' Project.

'You are Living Stones':

This new document has been presented by Bishop Malcolm and The Bishop's Council, to be developed in all parishes in our Diocese. It looks at how we can effectively plan for the restructuring of our parishes and our deanery. There are a few copies of the document available from church. You are welcome to take a copy away with you to read through. Please return it to church when you have finished, for other people to look at it. Alternatively, visit the Diocesan website www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk where you will be able to look at it on line or download a copy.

Confirmation 2012:

St Alban's, The Church on Oakwood and St Hugh's Borrowwash are joining together to help young people prepare for Confirmation next year. Bishop Malcolm will be coming to St Alban's to celebrate Confirmation on Wednesday 11th July 2012. All young people in Year 9 or upwards who are interested are asked to fill in the form from church (on the table in the foyer) and hand it in to Fr Paul or Fr Ka Fai by Sunday 29th January. Meetings will be held on Wednesday evenings, 7 – 8.30pm in St Alban's parish centre. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday 1st February. Interested? Then come along – you'll be very welcome.

There is a special course for young leaders who have already been Confirmed and would like to help with the 2012 Confirmation programme, beginning Sunday 15th January. It's a 6 session accredited course. Have a word with Fr Paul if you are interested in doing this course.

Handel's Messiah:

There will be a performance of Handel's 'Messiah' at Our Lady of Lourdes Mickleover, on Sunday 18th December from 6 – 8pm. In aid of the Kaoma Orphanage in Zambia.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

There will be **no** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Tuesday (20th December) and throughout the Christmas holidays. Adoration will resume on Tuesday 10th January.

For the diary:

Join us for our parish 'Epiphany' Party on Friday 6th January at St Alban's parish Centre. More details to follow.

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, please contact Fr Paul, Shaun or Di Reid.

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.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Council Chair
Child Protection (Chaddesden)
Child Protection (Oakwood)
Readers
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Oakwood Committee
200 Club
CAFOD Group

Hall Bookings: office@stalbandsderby.org.uk

Maria Neads 663602
Mary Johnson 678506
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Malcolm Taylor 602346
Steve Endsor 661819
Sandra Endsor 661819
Maureen Gray 832190
Sally Parlato 609207

Children's Liturgy 280511
Communion to the sick 670040
Music 672091
Faith Journey Course 674422
Social Committee 544146
Spirituality Group 664152
Welcome 609207
Youth 663602

SCHOOLS: St Alban's Primary 673823, St Benedict Secondary 557032, St John Houghton Secondary 0115 9322896

PARISH NEWSLETTER



St Alban's Church

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The Church on Oakwood

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Parish Secretary: Diane Williams

Fourth Sunday of Advent 17th/18th December 2011 YEAR B (Weekdays Cycle 2) – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 4

Services, Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

Saturday	17 th	6.30 pm	St Alban's	James Nugent RIP
Sunday	18 th	10.00 am	St Alban's	Vincenzo & Giovanna Contaldo RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	The People of the Parish
Monday	19 th	7.00 pm	St Alban's	Seamus O'Neill RIP
Tuesday	20 th	9.15 am	St Alban's	Farrell Family's Intention
Wednesday	21 st	9.15 am	St Alban's	John Christopher's Intention
		7.00 pm	Oakwood	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
		6.00 pm	St Alban's	Reception of Phyllis Delay RIP
Thursday	22 nd	9.30 am*	St Alban's	Funeral Mass of Phyllis Delay RIP
Friday	23 rd	9.15 am	St Alban's	Mary Eaton RIP
Saturday (Christmas Vigil Mass)	24 th	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Gorman & Watton Deceased Families
Sunday (Christmas Day)	25 th	8.30 am*	Oakwood	The People of the Parish
		10.00 am	St Alban's	Mary Fletcher RIP

***Please note Mass changes**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

St Alban's – Saturday 5.45pm – 6.15pm

And if required after the evening Mass on Saturday at St Alban's and the Sunday Mass at Oakwood.

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

(No Adoration until Tuesday 10th January 2012)

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 Derby Royal contact switchboard on 01332 340131 or Sr 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.

Welcomers for weekend 24th/25th December 2011

St Alban's Sat 6.30 pm
Sun 10.00 am As Advised

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Sun 10.00 am As Advised

Counters A Kearney & P Peek

Thought for the week!

"There are two ways to multiply our blessings. One is to recognize them, the other is to share them."

(Ephesians 1:3)