

**St Alban's First Holy Communion Programme 2015:**

Application forms are now available from the Sacristy for our Parish First Holy Communion Programme 2015. Children eligible for First Holy Communion must be in Year 3 or above and have been baptized into the Catholic faith. There will be an important meeting for parents to discuss the programme on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** at 7.30pm in the Junior Hall at St Alban's School. The meeting will give you all the information you need for the programme of preparation for First Holy Communion. Please arrange childcare, as there is no need to bring children to this meeting. Application forms must be returned by this date so that we can order the required number of books for the children.

**Living Stones Study Day 2014:**

In September a group of parishioners and Fr Paul attended this Living Stones Study Day. Notes from the day are on the notice board, the parish website and a few copies are on the table in the church entrance hall.

**Finding God in the Word during Advent:**

You are invited to explore the Sunday Gospel through listening, stillness and prayer in our Parish Centre on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014, starting at 7.30pm and finishing about 8.30pm with a drink and a biscuit. This is a lovely opportunity to take time out of your busy lives and rest a while with God. This will be the first of three sessions to be held during Advent. The other two sessions are Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December & Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

**Faith in Families:**

The autumn collection from the Faith in Families boxes raised £478.49 from 28 boxes handed in. Thank you!

**Christmas Carols in Derby Market Place 2014:**

Continuing their tradition, Council 92, Derby, The Knights of St Columba would like to invite you to their annual Carol Service and Blessing of the Crib around the Christmas tree in Derby Market Place. This will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December when Fr John Trenchard from St. Joseph's in Derby will bless the Crib.

**2015 Sunday Missals:**

The new 2015 Sunday Missals are now available from Church, priced £6. There are a limited number available – if you are interested, please get yours soon!

**African Catholic Community:**

There will be an African sung Mass at St George's, Village Street in Derby on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December beginning at 2pm. Everyone is welcome!

**Job Vacancy:**

The Priory Catholic Academy are looking to appoint a class teacher to cover a maternity leave for two terms starting January 2015. Applications must be made on a CES application form available from either the school by emailing: office@priory-pri.notts.sch.uk or by visiting <http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/schools/application-forms>. Closing date: 12noon Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014. Further details can be found on the church notice board.

**St Alban's Youth Group:**

The next Youth Group takes place this Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> December) 7pm-9pm in the Parish Centre. It is open to all young people from Year 6 and above.

**Senior Parishioners Christmas Lunch:**

There are still a few places left for the meal on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm in the Parish Centre. If you are interested, please bring payment of £7.50 to Church as soon as you can. Lifts will be available for those who have no means of transport. Please contact the Parish Office.

**CAFOD 'World Gifts':**

World Gifts brochures from CAFOD are available from Church – please take a copy with you.

**Christmas Carol Service:**

We are invited by the Catholic Chaplaincy to the University of Derby to join them for their annual Carol Service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm in the Multi-Faith Centre at the Kedleston Road Campus, followed by plenty of mulled wine and mince pies! Everyone is welcome.

**Would you like to sing The Messiah?:**

A performance of The Messiah is taking place for charity at Our Lady of Lourdes, Mickleover on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Anyone who wishes to participate in the choir must submit their application form by **7<sup>th</sup> December**. See notice board for further details or contact Peter Galley at peter@pgalley.wanadoo.co.uk.

**Advent and Christmas Celebrations:**

Details of our Advent and Christmas period at St Alban's, The Church on Oakwood and St Hugh's in Borrowash are now available from Church. Please take a copy home with you and if you know of anyone who would like to be informed of the times of our various celebrations, please put one through their letter box.

Date for your diary: Our Carol Service at The Church on Oakwood will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm and the Carol Service at St Alban's will take place on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7:00pm. Both services will be followed by mince pies, coffee and tea.

**St Benedict CVA School Show:**

This year students are performing "Honk!" the Musical - based on the much loved classic tale of the 'Ugly Duckling'. Performances will be in the Savannah Suite, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm and on 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm & 6pm. To book tickets please contact [www.robertyludlamtheatre.com](http://www.robertyludlamtheatre.com) quoting HONK10% for a discount.

**Child Contact Centre & Derby Churches Night Shelter:**

The Holy Family Church, Blenheim Drive in Allestree will hold a Christmas Concert on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Performance by the Derwentio Choir. Tickets cost £6, available at the door. Children free entry.

**Evening Prayer at St Mark's:**

You are invited to Evening Prayer at St Mark's Church on Francis Street this Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> December) at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

**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



Statement to live by: **"I can work, play, rest and pray each day."**

## St Alban's Church

Roe Farm Lane, Chaddesden, DE21 6ET

## The Church on Oakwood

Bishop's Drive, Oakwood, DE21 2DF

### Parish Priest:

Fr. Paul Newman  
The Presbytery  
Roe Farm Lane  
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### Parish Deacon:

Rev. Dr. Juan Carlos Valer  
Tel: 0748 603 9836  
Email: [deacon.jcv@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.jcv@gmail.com)

Websites: [www.stalbandsderby.org.uk](http://www.stalbandsderby.org.uk) [www.thechurchonoakwood.org](http://www.thechurchonoakwood.org)

Parish Secretary: Clare Boyle

## **First Sunday of Advent 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> November 2014** YEAR B (Weekdays Cycle 2) – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 1

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

Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Hinks & Duff-Cole Families RIP
Sunday	30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	St Alban's	Philip Orrell RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	Frank Deacy RIP
Monday ( <i>St Andrew</i> )	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>St Alban's</b>	The People of the Parish
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15 am	St Alban's	Bridie Murphy's Intention
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.15 am	St Alban's	Phyllis Delay RIP
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	St Alban's	Juan Carlos & Maria Valer's Intention
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	St Alban's	Alma Lockley – In thanksgiving
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Giovanna & Michele Adinolfi RIP
Sunday	7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	St Alban's	Bridget & Willie Deegan 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:**

Thursday from 6.15pm in the Weekday Chapel ending with Mass at 7pm.

### **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 Philip Orrell RIP. Please keep Philip in your prayers during the week.

### **Welcomers for weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> December**

St Alban's Sat 6.30 pm Ellen Taylor  
Sun 10.00 am Joan Macken Sheila Caruth

### **Readers for weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> December**

St Alban's Sat 6.30 pm Ellen Taylor Carl Mendonça  
Sun 10.00 am Clare Beech Christianna Sammut  
Oakwood Sun 5.00 pm Mike Sandra  
Counters Eileen Rees Frank Holmes

### **Catholic Schools:**

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