

For those who have died:

Please pray for Frank Holmes and Fr Michael Lynch who both died recently. Frank's Funeral Mass will take place at St Alban's on **Friday 8th December at 11:15pm.**

Advent and Christmas leaflets

Leaflets with times of Mass and services during Advent and Christmas will be available from Church this weekend. Please take a few copies and share them with people who you think might be interested. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

Christmas cards and calendars are available from the Repository in the old church porch after Saturday and Sunday Masses.

Mothers Prayers of the Solace Community

Mothers Prayers was formed in 1995 to help those mothers who wished to pray together for their children and grandchildren.

A prayer group may be started with only two mothers and with a maximum of eight. Members meet regularly in their homes and must obey the rules of confidentiality.

If you would like more information please contact Helen Wright at helenaw127@gmail.com

Carols and Blessing of Crib

The Knights of St Columba Council 92 invite us to Derby Market Place for the Blessing of the Crib, by Fr John Trenchard, and singing carols on **Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm.** All are welcome.

Derby Hospitals

Due to Sr Mary Barry being off ill we have no way of finding out who is in hospital and may need Holy Communion or a visit from their priest. Please let the Parish know if a family member or friends are in hospital and are in need of the spiritual support of the Church during their illness. In the meantime, we pray that Sr Mary will make a speedy recovery and we thank her for all that she does for the sick in our hospitals.

Lost Rosary Beads

If anyone has found some blue Rosary Beads, lost in St Alban's on Sunday 19th November, please hand them into the office, one of the ushers or Fr David. They have great sentimental value to the owner. Thank you

Christmas Gifts for Derby Refugees

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to this year's Derby Refugee Christmas gift appeal. We have a wonderful selection of gifts that the Refugee Centre here in Derby will collect during the week. You are welcome to donate money in lieu of gifts, so far, we have raised £25.

Children's Advent leaflet

We have a number of "Look" leaflets for children to take home during this season of Advent. These are available in the foyer.

Advent House Masses

In each week of Advent, Fr David will celebrate a House Mass in Oakwood, St Hugh's and St Alban's communities. It's an opportunity to support each other through prayer and fellowship. This **Wednesday 6th December at 7pm** Mass will be at Domini Gregory's house in St Hugh's Parish. Please phone the parish office for more information or if you would like to volunteer to hold a Mass.

What is happening in December?

Advent Reflections at Oakwood

Join us on **Monday 4th December** for an evening of readings as we prepare for Christmas, **7.30pm to 8.30pm**, followed by tea, coffee and cake!

Spiritual Healing

We warmly invite you to join us for our regular evening of spiritual healing in St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Burton Road, on **Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm.** We pray for each other in a relaxed atmosphere and there is an opportunity for everyone to receive individual healing if they wish to. It is a chance to have some quiet prayer time. We finish with a cup of tea or coffee.

Finding God in the Word

On **Thursday 7th December 2017**, as members of Derby Deanery, you are cordially invited to pray and reflect on the gospel reading for the second weekend in Advent (Mark 1:1-8) through listening and stillness. This is a great opportunity to prepare for the weekend liturgy. We meet in the St Alban's Parish Centre, Chaddesden **at 7.30pm finishing about 8.30pm** with refreshments.

Further information contact Angela Fairbrother 07813 584213

Nottingham Diocesan Spirituality Network

Warmly invite people of the Derby Deanery to our next Day of Prayer "From a Rainbow to a Christ - A Gospel Journey" lead by Fr David Cain. The day is at St Alban's Parish Centre, Chaddesden, Derby, DE21 6ET on **Saturday 9th December 2017, 10.00am to 3pm.** Tea/coffee provided, please bring a packed lunch. Further information contact Angela Fairbrother 07813 584213 or Ann Neale 07730 956156

Catholic Bible Sunday

For many years we have, in England and Wales, observed Bible Sunday on the 2nd Sunday of Advent, **10th December.** Pope Francis has written or spoken to promote reading, praying and preaching the Bible. Take some time on this day to read part of the Bible that you haven't read for a long time.

St Alban's Catholic Youth Group

Invite all to a Film Night and Christmas Party on **Wednesday 13th December at 7pm**

Services of Reconciliation

There will be a number of services of Reconciliation taking place around the Deanery during Advent: **Thursday 14th Dec** - St George's Village Street at 7pm; **Tuesday 19th Dec** - St Mary's, Bridge gate at 7pm; **Wednesday 20th Dec** - English Martyrs and **Thursday 21st Dec** - St Alban's. Priests will be available for confessions at these services.

Altar Server Training (St Hugh's)

This has been arranged for all Altar Servers on **Saturday 16th December from 10.30am** at St. Hugh's. The training is for all servers, please make every effort to attend. If there is anyone who would like to become an Altar Server whether you are young (those who have made their First Communion) or older please come along as well.

ST ALBAN'S SCHOOL

Primary School Applications

Children due to start school September 2017, born between September 1st 2013 and August 31st 2014, parents need to apply online by **January 18th 2018.** Parents who cannot apply online call Mr Norman at Derby City, on 01332 642730.

Sacramental Policy

Baptism: Parents wishing to have their babies or young children baptized please contact Fr David or Deacon Juan Carlos.

Adults seeking Baptism or wanting to find out more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Fr David or Deacon Juan Carlos.

Marriage: Couples wishing to marry are required to give at least six months' notice. See Fr David or Deacon Juan Carlos.

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 Fr David or Angela Fairbrother 544146 for St Albans or Anne & Peter Rochford, 674234 for St Hugh's.

SCHOOLS: St Alban's Primary 01332 673823, St Benedict Secondary 01332 557032, St John Houghton Secondary 0115 9322896

PARISH NEWSLETTER

St Alban's Church – Chaddesden

Roe Farm Lane, Chaddesden, Derby, DE21 6ET

www.stalbansderby.org.uk

The Church on Oakwood

378 Bishop's Drive, Oakwood, Derby, DE21 2DF

www.thechurchonoakwood.org

St Hugh's Church – Borrowash

68 Derby Road, Borrowash, Derby, DE72 3HB

www.sthughborrowash.org.uk

Contact

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Roe Farm Lane, Derby, DE21 6ET

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Parish Deacon: Rev Dr Juan Carlos Valer

Tel: 0791 7283143

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Office Administrator: Amanda Wilson

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Hospital

If you know of anyone in Hospital who would like a visit from the Chaplain, please use the following numbers...

Royal Derby Hospital:

Urgent 01332 340 131

Non Urgent 01332 789 500

London Road Hospital:

Fr Mark 01332 574 474

Nuffield Hospital:

Fr John 01332 343 777

Kingsway Hospital:

Fr Ka Fai 01332 514 107

Alternatively, you can have a word with Fr David

First Week of Advent - 2nd/3rd December 2017

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

SANCTUARY LAMP: The Sanctuary Lamp at St Alban's burns for Edward & Bernadette Murphy's Intentions. Please keep them in your prayers.
Statement to Live by: "Simple things can make us happy"

Services, Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

Saturday	2 nd	6.30 pm	St Alban's	Tom Noonan's Intentions
	3 rd	9.00 am	St Hugh's	Harry & Sheila Chater RIP
Sunday		10.30 am	St Alban's	Philip Orrell RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	The People of the Parish
Monday	4 th	9.15 am	St Alban's	Jim Deegan's Intentions
		7.30 pm	Oakwood	Advent Prayer Reflection
Tuesday	5 th	11.30 am	St Hugh's	Smith & Crowe Families RIP
Wednesday	6 th	7.00 pm	Advent House Mass	Billy Steel RIP
Thursday <i>(St Ambrose)</i>	7 th	7.00 pm	St Alban's	Mrs O'Driscoll RIP
Friday <i>(The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)</i>	8 th	11.15 am	St Alban's	Funeral Mass for Frank Holmes RIP
Saturday	9 th	6.30 pm	St Alban's	The People of the Parish
Sunday	10 th	9.00 am	St Hugh's	John Hughes RIP (Frith)
		10.30 am	St Alban's	Deceased members of the Deegan Family RIP
		5.00 pm	Oakwood	Eddie Doyle RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

St Alban's -

Saturday 5.45pm – 6.15 pm

St Hugh's –

by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession:

Thursday at 6.15pm.

Welcomers for weekend 9th/10th December

St Alban's 6.30 pm Ellen & Malc

St Alban's 10.30 am Vicky, Marco

Ariana, Samuele

Readers for weekend 9th/10th December

St Alban's 6.30 pm Wyn Hinks

Anne Kearney

St Hugh's 9.00 am Eamon Hughes

St Alban's 10.30 am Christine Evans

Aidan Keogh

Oakwood 5.00 pm Eileen

Andrew

Counters St Alban's N & P Carberry

Cleaners St Hugh's Mrs Grace

Mrs Crowe

Flowers St Hugh's Volunteer