

Parish Newsletter 11th/12th October 2025

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Safeguarding The new “Parish Safeguarding Handbook” can be accessed from the Diocese Website
<https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/departments/safeguarding> One copy is at the back of church

Scripture Readings: Twenty-Eighth week of Ordinary Time
Online Readings at www.universalis.com/mass

Our Sanctuary Lamp at St Alban’s burns this week:
People of the Parish

St Alban’s	St Hugh’s
St Alban’s Holy Gift Shop is open after Mass every Sunday in the parish hall. A place to buy cards, gifts, etc Come and take a look. Card and cash accepted.	St Hugh’s have a piety stall available in the meeting room with various religious items on sale. Please go and have a look after Mass. Sunday coffee mornings after Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION for World Mission Sunday next weekend 18th and 19th October.

Our new website is now up and running. Please visit it at www.stalbans-derby.rcdon.uk

Memorial Tree anybody wishing to order a leaf for our beautiful memorial tree can do so by contacting the office. The cost of a memorial leaf is £20.00.

Daily and Weekday Missal order. Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard in the entrance at St Hugh’s or St Alban’s if you would like to order a Missal. Daily Missal £69.99 and Weekday Missal £55.00.

Young Adult meetings through October. Growing up in Liverpool, nearly everyone on my street was Catholic. My mum worked in the presbytery which was like a second home to us. And being part of the community was so important. It wasn’t only about going to Mass on Sundays. This has influenced my adult Catholic life with choices made about being active in my parish, volunteering, and work choices I have made. I look forward to meeting with you and hearing some of your stories too! Maggie Mairura will be joining Young Adults across the diocese in October at: **Saint Joseph, Derby, on Thursday 16th** and **Holy Cross, Leicester, on Thursday 23rd** Join together for prayer, community, and input as well as some great coffee! For more info contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Day of Healing – You are invited to join Bishop Patrick for a day of Freedom and Inner Healing led by 'Unbound UK'. The day will be held at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham **on Saturday 25th October**. There will be talks on freedom and healing, Mass with the Anointing of the Sick, Confession and Intercessory Prayer, and an Evening Healing Service with music from One Hope Project. You can come for the full day or for any of the sessions. It is open to all ages at no cost, but donations are welcome.
More information: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

All Souls Day Mass Monday 3rd November at 6.30pm at St Alban’s we would like to invite you and your family to our special annual Memorial Mass to remember those who have died throughout the last year from our church communities. After the service, please join us for refreshments in the parish hall. At this Mass the families of Eileen McMenamin, Alicia Radford, Anne Hile, Dennis Horgan, Patricia Davis, Christopher Egan, Muireann Grooms, Alfonso Cuomo, Jennie Colder, John Twomey, Jane Turner and John Otter will be invited to light a candle for their deceased loved one. We look forward to seeing you on the evening.

Second collections taken

	Catholic Education Service	Evangelii Gaudium Day	CAFOD
St Hugh’s	£124.07	£174.46	£369.26
St Alban’s	£174.23	£151.64	£454.26

Twenty-eighth Week of Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday Mass at St Alban’s is streamed at www.youtube.com/@stalbandsderby
Exposition of the blessed sacrament will be half an hour before each weekday mass starts.
Confessions half an hour before weekday mass at St Alban’s and St Hugh’s

Day & Date	Place	Time	Event	Mass Intention
Saturday 11 th Vigil	St Alban’s	6.30pm	Mass	Tony O’Malley & Sally Hardiman RIP People of the Parish
Sunday 12 th Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the year	St Hugh’s	9.00pm	Mass	
	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	Bernard Johnson RIP
Monday 13 th	St Alban’s		No Mass	
Wednesday 15 th	St Hugh’s		No Mass	
Thursday 16 th	St Alban’s		No Mass	
Friday 17 th	St Hugh’s		No Mass	
Saturday 18 th Vigil	St Alban’s	6.30pm	Mass	Deceased members of the Nixon family Patrick Taddy Murphy
Sunday 19 th Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the year	St Hugh’s	9.00am	Mass	
	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	Jane & Josh Clarke RIP

BIGGUNS AND LITTLUNS 11.00am – 1.00pm Monday morning, during term time, St Alban’s Parish Hall.
WELLNESS WEDNESDAY coffee morning, last Wednesday of the month, St Hugh’s from 9.30am – 11.30am.

First Holy Communion for children in year 3 or above who wish to prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The programme will begin in January 2026, and sessions take place during Mass on Sunday morning. Our first meeting for parents will take place on **Thursday 11th December** at 7pm at St Alban’s. Please collect a form from the entrance and return to the office along with a copy of your child’s Baptism certificate.

Confirmation from January, we will begin our next course for those who wish to prepare for and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The programme is open to those who are year 8 to year 11 (up to and including 16 years of age). The sessions will generally take place on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested, then please collect an application form from St Alban’s or St Hugh’s entrance and hand it in along with a short letter outlining why you wish to undertake confirmation. Our first meeting for confirmation candidates and parents will take place on **Wednesday 14th January** at 7pm at St Alban’s. If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to speak to Fr Roji or Geoff Rowlands.

RCIA Discovering our faith programme for adults thinking about becoming a Catholic or wanting to grow in faith. If you are interested, please speak to Fr Roji or contact the parish office.

Murder at St Alban's! Saturday October 25th at 7.30pm for a murder mystery dinner party! Tickets cost £17 per adult and £10 for under 18s. This includes evening meal but please bring your own drinks! Tickets available from Jo after mass on a Sunday, Marie on Saturday or Louanna at the parish office. Dressing up as if you are in a James bond film in the 1960s is not a requirement but is encouraged!

Dick Whittington Pantomime at Derby Arena on Sunday 7th Dec at 12.30pm. We have 50 tickets for parishioners. Please contact Linda on 07758 226331. **Sleeping Beauty Pantomime** at Nottingham Playhouse on Saturday 29th November leaving from St Hugh’s at 12.30. Please contact Lisa at St Hugh’s.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25 th October	Murder mystery dinner party @ St Alban’s
3 rd November	All Souls Day Memorial Mass @ St Alban’s 6.30pm
12 th November	St Hugh’s PPC @ 7pm
29 th November	Nottingham playhouse Pantomime
7 th December	Derby Arena Pantomime
11 th December	First Holy Communion meeting @ St Alban’s, 7pm
13 th December	Christmas Fair @ St Alban’s
12 th January	Baptism preparation meeting @ St Alban’s, 7pm
14 th January	Confirmation meeting @ St Alban’s, 7pm