

Parish Newsletter 18th/19th 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-ninth 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 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

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.

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

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.

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

School admissions to Catholic Secondary Academies (Year 7) - Children born between 01/09/2014 and 31/08
2015. The deadline for submitting your application for a school place is **31st October 2025**. Application forms are
available on your ‘home’ Local Authority website. For every Catholic school you apply for if you wish your child
to be considered and ranked under a faith criterion you *should also complete a supplementary information form*,
and return this form to the school by the deadline, (forms are available from the LA and the school). You **must**
also include the supporting *evidence** as required with this form, eg baptism certificate (photocopies
acceptable). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean your child is ranked in a lower criterion
which may affect your chance of a place. **If you do not have the required evidence please contact the parish
where your child was baptised for a copy certificate in good time.*

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 all those who have died. We will especially remember those
that 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.

MONTH OF HOLY SOULS November is traditionally the month when we remember all those who have died. Place
the names of those you would like us to pray for in a ‘Dead List’ envelope and return it to church. Envelopes are
in the entrance of St Hugh’s and St Alban’s. Masses will be celebrated during November for all those names
included in our ‘November Dead List’ envelopes. The envelopes will remain on the Altar during the month of
remembrance.

Twenty-ninth 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 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	9.00pm	Mass	
	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	Jane & Josh Clarke RIP
	No weekday Mass			
Saturday 25 th Vigil	St Alban’s	6.30pm	Mass	Les & Margaret Lemon RIP
Sunday 26 th Thirtieth Sunday of the year	St Hugh’s	9.00am	Mass	Vera McMenamin RIP
	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	People of the Parish

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.

CHRISTMAS FAIR PRIZE DRAW raffle tickets for the Christmas Fair will be available after Mass.

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.

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.

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
16 th November	Blessing of graves, Nottingham Road Cemetery @ 2.30pm
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