

# Parish Newsletter 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## St Alban's Church

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### Hospital Support

**In an emergency**  
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Derby Hospital on  
01332 340131 for  
the On-Call  
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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: First Week of Ordinary Time**

Online Readings at [www.universalis.com/mass](http://www.universalis.com/mass)

#### 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.

**BIGGUNS AND LITTLUNS** 11.00am-1.00pm Monday morning, during term time, St Alban's Parish Hall.

**There will be no Bigguns and Littluns on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January, we will recommence on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.**

**WELLNESS WEDNESDAY** coffee morning, last Wednesday of the month, St Hugh's from 9.30am – 11.30am.

**Derby Deanery Youth Choir** - For children aged 7 upwards every Tuesday 6:30pm until 7.15pm @ St Alban's Church. (£1 a week) Derby Deanery Choir for adults every Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Over the next few weeks we will be trialling the **St Killians Votive Burning System**. The St Killians system is the safest, cleanest, most environmentally friendly votive system in the world. The candles in the system are completely smoke free, which will help preserve our statues and walls from smoke damage. Their system is endorsed for its safety by the largest insurer to the Catholic Church in the world. The system does not use any plastic or aluminium. All the candle wax from the system is recycled. The system is a lot cleaner than our current votive system, and wax spillage on the floors, stands and surrounding areas will be greatly reduced. We also hope the beauty of the system enhances your experience of lighting votive candles.

**School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception Year) - Children born between 01/09/2021 and 31/08/2022.** The deadline for submitting an application for a school place is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026. 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, i.e. a baptism certificate (photocopies are acceptable; contact the parish of baptism if you don't have a copy); 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.

### Parish Pilgrimage, would you be interested in joining the parish on pilgrimage?

We are looking at organising a parish pilgrimage and would very much appreciate parishioners taking the time to complete this short questionnaire. If you are unable to access this QR code, a paper copy of this form is available in the entrance to church.



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## First Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday Mass at St Alban's is streamed at [www.youtube.com/@stalbandsderby](http://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 10 <sup>th</sup> Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	<b>The deceased members of the Ashcroft &amp; Bulman families Angela Phillips</b>
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Baptism of the Lord	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	<b>Monsignor Cummins int. Eddie Duncombe RIP</b>
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feria	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	<b>Pat Orrell int.</b>
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feria	St Hugh's	12 noon	Funeral Mass	<b>Pat Orrell int.</b>
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feria	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	<b>Mary Fletcher, Bridie Lee &amp; Tom Hardiman RIP</b>
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feria	St Hugh's	6.30pm	Mass	<b>People of the Parish</b>
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> Vigil	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	<b>Eddie Duncombe RIP</b>
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Second Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	6.30pm	Mass	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	St Alban's	9.00am	Mass	<b>Tom Carberry RIP</b>
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	<b>Tom Carberry RIP</b>

**SECOND COLLECTION this weekend 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> January for sick and retired priests' fund.**

**Confirmation meeting on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January is cancelled.**

**Baptism Preparation** for parents will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January at St Alban's at 7pm.

**Healing Mass** – there will be a healing Mass with anointing of the sick on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 1.30pm**. There will be afternoon tea for all in the hall after. Please contact the parish office if you would like to stay for afternoon tea so we have numbers of those attending. If you require transport to Mass, please contact the parish office on 01332 672914.

**First Holy Communion** preparation begins this week, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January. We will have our Enrolment Mass for all our First Holy Communion children next week, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am.

**Leicester 40 Days for Life Launch Evening** is being held at Saint Edward's Parish Hall, 633 Aylestone Road, Leicester LE2 6TF, on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** at 7.30pm. Refreshments are included. This evening is especially for those who would like to find out more about the 40 days for Life Prayer Vigil from 18<sup>th</sup> February - 29<sup>th</sup> March. For more information contact Maureen at [leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com) or visit [www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester)



**200 Club** – our winners for the December draw were numbers 7, 42 & 109. The 200 club is usually drawn on the last Sunday of the month. First prize is £200, second is £30 and third is £20. It costs just £5 per month to enter, and we have lots of numbers available. If you would like to sign up to the 200 club or would like some more information, please speak to Liam Leavesley or contact the parish office.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12 <sup>th</sup> January	Baptism preparation meeting @ St Alban's, 7pm
15 <sup>th</sup> January	RCIA, St Alban's 7.00pm
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Healing Mass, 1.30pm @ St Alban's
18 <sup>th</sup> January	First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass
22 <sup>nd</sup> January	St Alban's PPC meeting, 7pm
5 <sup>th</sup> February	First Holy Communion, parents meeting @ St Alban's, 7.15pm
11 <sup>th</sup> February	St Hugh's PPC meeting, 7pm
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Baptism preparation meeting @ St Alban's, 7pm