

Parish Newsletter 31st January & 1st February 2026

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Hospital Support

In an emergency

call The Royal Derby Hospital on 01332 340131 for the On-Call

Catholic Chaplain

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: Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

Online Readings at www.universalis.com/mass

Our Sanctuary Lamp at St Alban's burns this week:

Malcolm Taylor RIP

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.

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.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting – St Hugh's will take place on Wednesday 11th February at 7pm.

Leicester 40 Days for Life Launch Evening is being held at Saint Edward's Parish Hall, 633 Aylestone Road, Leicester LE2 6TF, on **Monday 2nd 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 18th February - 29th March. For more information contact Maureen at leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com or visit www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester

The Glossop parishes are hosting a presentation by Light of Faith (a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph), with the topic **New Directions in Catechesis: a new approach to sacramental preparation and catechesis is transforming families and parishes - could it work for yours?** The presentation is designed for parish clergy, parish lay leadership, parish catechists, head teachers, school chaplains, and anyone who helps in sacramental preparation. They would also love to welcome people who feel they could help parents in their task of passing on the faith to their children. This event is free (although donations are welcome to help the parishes pay the sisters' travel and accommodation costs and other expenses) and is on **Friday 6th February**, at 7.00pm, in Saint Mary's Parish Hall, Glossop. For details, please visit www.glossop Catholics.org.uk/newdirections

Warmer Welcome workshop, Monday 9th February at 7.00pm. The next online gathering for volunteers with parish-based drop-ins, lunch clubs or cafés features guest speaker Jo Holland from the UK-wide network 'Places of Welcome'. If you're thinking of starting one, come and find out how others do it! Visit bit.ly/warmerwelcome to book your place.

Saint Mary's Parish, Loughborough (LE11 3AB), is hosting a **Gregorian Chant Day** on **Saturday 14th February, from 10.00am until 4.00pm**, concluding with the singing of Vespers. Greg Treloar, previously Diocesan Director of Music, will be leading the day, for which there is a suggested donation of £10. For more information, or to register for the day, please contact Martins: martinsobi@gmail.com

Fourth Week of Ordinary Time Year A

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 31 st Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	Sean Keenan RIP
Sunday 1 st Fourth Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	People of the Parish
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	Geraldine & Michael Noonan RIP Rob Thorne RIP
Monday 2 nd The Presentation of the Lord – Candlemas (Feast)	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	
Wednesday 4 th Saint Gilbert of Sempringham, religious (memorial)	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	Holy Souls
Thursday 5 th Saint Agatha, virgin and martyr (memorial)	St Alban's	10.30am	Funeral service for Teddy Kitchen	
	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	
Friday 6 th Saints Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs of Japan (memorial)	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	
	St Alban's	12.15pm	Funeral service for Michael Grogan	
Saturday 7 th Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	
Sunday 8 th Fifth Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	John Herbert RIP
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	Bernard Johnson RIP

Nottingham Diocesan Yearbook available from St Hugh's and St Alban's in the entrance to church £6 each.

A **Pro-Life Renewal Day** is being held on **Saturday 14th February**, from 10.00am until 4.00pm, at Good Shepherd Church, Arnold, and led by Father Bernard Murphy CFR. All are welcome to this day of spiritual renewal, focussed on prayer for the sanctity of life at all stages. How do we as Christians keep fighting for the dignity of life, when so many around us do not value it? Father Bernard will help us renew our motivation by opening scripture and Church teaching. There is no charge for the day (donations welcomed); a light lunch and refreshments are provided. To book a place or for more information contact John: pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Nottingham 40 Days for Life, Praying for an end to abortion, runs between **Wednesday 18th February and Sunday 29th March**. During these 40 days of Lent pro-lifers will be: praying for an end to abortion in our community near the main abortion clinic in Nottinghamshire; offering peaceful witness to God's love and the possibility of healing; offering practical, non-judgemental help to women who may want to consider an alternative to abortion, and offering support for post-abortive women. More information is at www.40daysforlife.com/nottingham or contact 40daysforlifennots@gmail.com

"250 Years – Where to From Here?" Join Mary-Ann Greaney, Associate of the Presentation Sisters, for a workshop reflecting on the wisdom of Nano Nagle, founder of the Presentation Congregation. **Saturday 21 February 2026, 10.00 am–4.00 pm** Presentation Sisters Convent, Matlock, DE4 3FT Suggested donation £10. Bring a packed lunch. Tea, coffee & biscuits provided Register: associates@pbvmengland.co.uk

The Diocesan Youth Service NDCYS is taking a group of young people and young adults to Lourdes, France as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage in July 2026. If you are aged 16+ and unable to go with your school, or a young adult who would like to be a small group leader, we encourage you to download the information pack and apply at ndcys.com/lourdes

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6th February	RCIA session 9, 7pm @ St Alban's
5th February	First Holy Communion, parents meeting @ St Alban's, 7.15pm
11th February	Confirmation session 1, 7pm @ St Alban's
11th February	St Hugh's PPC meeting, 7pm
11th May	Baptism preparation meeting @ St Alban's, 7pm