

# Parish Newsletter 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

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**Hospital Support**  
**In an emergency**  
please contact the nurse in charge on the ward.

**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: Sixth Week of Eastertide**

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

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

### 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.

### SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

This weekend it is Safeguarding Sunday. Bishop Patrick's letter can be found on our website by clicking here: [Safeguarding Sunday – Bishop's Letter](#) copies are also available in the entrance to church along with a safeguarding pledge form. If you would like to take one and make a personal pledge to complete a specific action that will contribute to creating a safer church, please do.

**Thank you to all our volunteers who continually work so hard to help to make our church a safe space for everyone. The work that you do is greatly appreciated.**

The next Dominican Young Adults Study Day, under the title **Human Origins - Creation and Evolution** is being held on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**, from 10.00am until 4.00pm, in the Frassati Centre, Leicester LE1 6HW. How do we reconcile the claims of modern science with the teaching of the Catholic Church? Are human beings nothing more than products of an aimless evolutionary process? Join the Dominican Young Adult Study Day led by Father Robert Verrill OP on 'theistic evolution': how to make sense of modern science's theory of evolution in light of Catholic teaching on God, creation, and the human person. The day will include talks, workshops, prayer, fellowship, and discussion, and lunch will be provided. There is no cost to attend, but booking is essential, at [dya@english.op.org](mailto:dya@english.op.org)

Young adults aged 18–35 are invited to join a special overnight **Pilgrimage to Walsingham (Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June)**, taking place alongside the annual diocesan pilgrimage, with dedicated time, space and community for young adults. Staying at Elmham House (half board) pilgrims will share in the wider celebrations while also enjoying moments specifically for the young adult community and encounter. For any questions, contact Charles Archer, Young Adult Ministry Lead [charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk)  
Bookings at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/walsingham-2026](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/walsingham-2026)

The **Living Theology Summer School** is being held between **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July**, at the Loreto Spirituality Centre in Llandudno. Under the title Explore faith and theology, keynote Ethna Regan CHF will lead a range of courses given by experienced speakers. For more information visit: [www.loretocentre.org.uk](http://www.loretocentre.org.uk) or email: [info@loretocentre.org.uk](mailto:info@loretocentre.org.uk)

## Sixth Week of Eastertide 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 9 <sup>th</sup> Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	<b>Bridie Malone Int.</b>
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sixth Sunday of Easter	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	<b>PJ Brett RIP</b>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Easter Feria	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	<b>Pat Thorne</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Easter Feria	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> The Ascension of the Lord (solemnity)	St Alban's School	2.00pm	Mass	
	St Alban's	7.00pm	Mass	<b>Private intention</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Easter Feria	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	<b>People of the Parish</b>
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> Seventh Sunday of Easter	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	<b>Ann Marshall RIP</b>
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	<b>James McCann RIP</b>

Please pray for Mary Hogan and Timothy Donovan who died recently, may they rest in peace. Timothy's funeral will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am.

**The month of May is dedicated to Mary.** We will therefore be reciting the Rosary before each weekday Mass throughout the month.

**Holy Day of Obligation.** This week is **The Ascension of the Lord.** There will be Mass at St Hugh's at 10am, St Alban's at 7pm and St Alban's School at 2pm. All are welcome to celebrate Mass at St Alban's School.

**Catherine Atkinson** will be visiting **St Alban's next weekend, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May** after Mass. Catherine is coming to talk to us about the Chaddesden West Pride in Place Project. Please do come into the hall and listen to Catherine and ask any questions you may have. All are welcome.

BBC Radio 4 is broadcasting **Any Questions?** live from Saint Norbert's Community Hall, Spalding, on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May** at 8.00pm. Everyone is invited to join live and put questions to the panellists from politics, media and beyond. For a free ticket contact Julian Humphrey on 07704 590843 or email: [jjh281@gmail.com](mailto:jjh281@gmail.com)

**Pentecost Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May** Please drop any flags you may have into church by Friday 22nd May to help decorate for our International Mass. We are still looking for readers to read in different languages during Mass. Please speak to Louise Franik or contact the office on 01332 672914 if you can help with this. After Mass, we will have a shared table — it would be wonderful to taste foods from around the world, so please bring a dish to share if you can.

**St Alban's CVA** is looking to recruit an **Office Manager** for 37 hours per week on a permanent basis. For more information, please visit: <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/146253/EDV-2026-SACVA-43456> The closing date for applications is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 9am.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11 <sup>th</sup> May	Baptism preparation meeting, 7pm @ St Alban's
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Confirmation continues
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Mass for the children preparing for their First Holy Communion, 10am @ St Alban's
21 <sup>st</sup> May	First Holy Communion parents meeting, 7.15pm @ St Alban's
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost Sunday, International Mass 10.30am @ St Alban's
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Music Concert, more details to follow or contact Lynne on 07712 236041