

Parish Newsletter 1st & 2nd August 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: Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time
Online Readings at www.universalis.com/mass

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.

Our Sanctuary Lamp at St Alban’s burns this week:
Stanley Rowley RIP

BIGGUNS AND LITTLUNS 11.00am-1.00pm Monday morning, during term time, St Alban’s Parish Hall.
Bigguns & Littluns has now finished for the summer, this will resume on Monday 7th September.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY coffee morning, last Wednesday of the month, St Hugh’s from 9.30am – 11am.
Wellness Wednesday has now finished for the summer, this will resume on Wednesday 30th September.

St Hugh’s There will be no **PAG coffee morning** after Sunday Mass between Sunday 9th August and Sunday 30th
August as maintenance will be taking place. This will resume after the summer.

Reply to Press Enquiries concerning the Amnesty International Report “A growing threat: the anti-rights movement in the UK”. The Catholic Church works to uphold the God-given rights of all humanity, without exception. This includes the rights of those unjustly imprisoned, of refugees and migrants, of those who have been trafficked, and the right to life of all people from conception to natural death. Furthermore, we uphold the right to freedom of religion, conscience and expression as explained in the document of the Second Vatican Council, *Dignitatis Humanae*. Our belief in the dignity of every person, from which a proper understanding of human rights comes, animates all our work in the field of social justice in England and Wales.

St Alban’s CVA is looking to appoint a **Premises Officer** on a permanent, part-time basis for 20 hours per week. The closing date for applications is Friday 7th August. For more information please visit;
<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/146253/EDV-2026-SACVA-86319>

After four years of service in the communities of St. Alban and St. Hugh’s, the time has come for me to begin a new chapter as I have been asked by my religious superiors to work in our mission in India. While it is not easy to say goodbye, I do so with a heart full of gratitude. Fr. Vitalis Akandu will join the community in the Third week of September as your new parish priest.

Please keep me in your prayers as I prepare for this new mission and be assured of my prayers for each of you. May God continue to bless our parishes abundantly.

Eighteenth 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 &
half an hour before Saturday evening Mass at St Alban’s**

Day & Date	Place	Time	Event	Mass Intention
Saturday 1 st August	St Alban’s	6.30pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Vigil				
Sunday 2 nd August	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	Stanley Rowley RIP
Eighteenth Sunday of the year				
	St Hugh’s	4.00pm	Mass	Susan & Peter Thorburn
Monday 3 rd August		No Mass		
Wednesday 5 th August		No Mass		
Thursday 6 th August		No Mass		
Friday 7 th August	St Hugh’s	9.30am	Mass	Jan Stojak RIP
Feria				
Saturday 8 th August	St Alban’s	6.30pm	Mass	John Edward Clancy RIP
Vigil				
Sunday 9 th August	St Hugh’s	9.00am	Mass	Anne Crompton RIP
Nineteenth Sunday of the year				
	St Alban’s	10.30am	Mass	Ron & Joan Calf RIP

Ahead of the Second Reading and vote in the House of Commons for the **Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life Bill)** on **Friday 11th September**, the Bishops' Conference has produced resources encouraging parishioners to write to their MPs. Please visit www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/ Please consider writing to your MP, showing the support of the Catholic Community in opposition to this proposed change to the law.

A **Plainchant Workshop** in Glossop, **Saturday 12th September**, 2.00pm to 3.45pm, free event, donations welcome. Plainchant, or plainsong, is an ancient and beautiful form of singing. In this practical workshop, we will explore how it differs from modern singing styles and discover the basic rubrics for singing chant. We will also look at some of the ways in which we use plainchant in the churches in Glossop. Please bring a pen or a pencil, and water to drink: there will be plenty of opportunities to sing! Find details and book a place at tinyurl.com/plainchant-glossop

Mission Together, 12 September 2026: Join the 'Workshop for everyone' at Holy Cross Priory in Leicester. Pope Leo and Pope Francis ask all the baptised to build new relationships in the church through 'synodality' (walking together). Led by Dr Austen Ivereigh, Pope Francis' biographer and an invited expert at the synod on synodality, the workshop runs 10am - 3pm and will explore practical ways to listen and connect for mission. Caritas Leicester & Leicestershire suggest a donation of £20 to cover costs, though if this amount means you can’t come just give what you can. Find out more at bit.ly/synodalityleics

All are invited to a **Family Mass and Picnic** at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey on **Sunday 13th September**. Bring a chair or picnic blanket, and arrive for Mass at 2.00pm, with a Marian Procession and Adoration too. More details from jnoakes@englishmartyrs.com

Golden Jubilee of SPANNED Our diocesan agency supporting people with additional needs (SPANNED) is 50 years old this year and will be marked by a Golden Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Hinckley, on **Saturday 26th September** at 2.00pm. All are very welcome to share this wonderful milestone. If you are contemplating coming please contact Father Frank Daly, on 01455 634443, or hinckleypriory@gmail.com by 31st August, to help with catering arrangements.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

21st September Baptism preparation meeting, 7pm @ St Alban’s
14th November Murder mystery, more information to follow