

Parish Newsletter 3rd & 4th October 2026

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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-Seventh Week of Ordinary Time
Online Readings at 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.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY coffee morning, last Wednesday of the month, St Hugh's from 9.30am – 11am.

Derby Deanery Youth & Adult Choir Please speak to Jo Rowlands for more info 077445517371
Youth Choir (£1 a week) (ages 7 +) **Tuesday 6 30pm -7 15pm** Adult Choir (£2 a week) **Tuesday 7 30pm - 8 30pm**

SECOND COLLECTION to be taken this weekend, 3rd & 4th October for **CAFOD**.

There is a **Social Group Meeting** on **Monday 5th October at 7pm** at St Alban's. This is to discuss the **Christmas Fair**. Come along if you would like to help plan, volunteer, bake, craft or just see what's involved. We would love to see you there.

RCIA Discovering our faith programme for adults thinking about becoming a Catholic or wanting to grow in faith. If you are interested, please collect a form from the entrance to church and return it to Fr Vitalis or the Parish Office by **Monday 12th October**. RCIA sessions will begin on **Thursday 15th October** at **7.15pm** at St Alban's in the parish hall.

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 2027, and sessions take place from 10.15am and continue during Mass on Sunday morning. Our first meeting for parents will take place on **Monday 16th November 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 by **Friday 30th October**.

The National Eucharistic Congress and Procession, **Adoremus**, is being celebrated in London next **Saturday, 10th October**. Places are still available for parishioners to participate in the Day, with coach travel (leaving Clifton at 6.45am and returning at 9.30pm) which includes a talk and exhibition, Mass in Southwark Cathedral, the Eucharistic Procession from Southwark Cathedral to Westminster Cathedral, and then departure from there at about 6pm. The subsidised cost is £15 per person. There's no age restriction, although anyone aged under 18 on the day will need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. There is a requirement to be able to participate in the Pilgrimage route, which will be about two miles. To book contact Father Simon Gillespie – simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk 6th October.

The Bishop's **Statement on Marriage** can be viewed by clicking [here](#) or by going to the Newsletter section of our website. There are also copies available in the entrance to church.

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Twenty-Seventh 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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the month of October – For mental health ministry.

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Day & Date	Place	Time	Event	Mass Intention
Saturday 3 rd October Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	
Sunday 4th October Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	Stan Addison RIP
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 5 th October Feria	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	
Wednesday 7 th October Our Lady of the Rosary (Memorial)	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	Alan & Mark Cheetham RIP
Thursday 8 th October Feria	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	
Friday 9 th October Saint John Henry Newman, Priest & Doctor (feast)	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	
Saturday 10 th October Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	
Sunday 11 th October Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	Anne Hile RIP
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	Bernard Johnson RIP

Flame 2027 – Saturday 6th March Flame is the largest Catholic youth event in the UK, hosted at OVO Arena, Wembley and run by CYMFed. In 2027, 10,000 young people from across England and Wales will gather for a day of inspiring speakers, live music, prayer and Adoration – a chance for our young people to discover they are not alone in their faith and to celebrate it together. We would love to take a group from St Alban's & St Hugh's. Tickets are £35 per person. This is open to children in year 9 and above. If you are interested, please contact the parish office on 01332 672914 or stalbandsoffice@dioceseofnottingham.uk by Monday 5th October to reserve a place.

Year 6 Parents: Don't Miss the Secondary School Application Deadline. If your child will be starting Year 7 in September 2027. You must apply for a secondary school place through your home Local Authority by Sunday 31st October. Complete the school's Supplementary Information Form (SIF) : Send the completed SIF directly to the school. Send the supporting evidence directly to the school. The Supplementary Information Form and supporting evidence must be sent to the school, not to the Local Authority. The Local Authority application and the school's Supplementary Information Form are separate processes.

It's back! Murder at St Alban's! Saturday 14th November 7:30pm After last year's incredibly successful Murder Mystery night Big Adventures Theatre Company are coming back to deliver another amazing night of entertainment. The night will start at 7:20-7:30pm with a welcome drink and end around 9:30pm. At some point someone will be Murdered! A 3-course meal will be provided and whilst you are eating you will work with your table to find out who the Murderer is. The actors will perform scenes and walk amongst us to be interviewed! Bring your own drink with you. The theme is 1920s Great Gatsby style so feel free to dress up! Tickets are £25 for adults and £15 for under 18s. Tickets available after Mass from Jo Rowlands or from the Church office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5 th October	Social Group Meeting, 7pm @ St Alban's (note change of date)
14 th October	St Hugh's PPC Meeting, 6.30pm (Note change of date)
15 th October	RCIA Discovering our Faith Programme, 7.15pm @ St Alban's
19 th October	St Alban's PPC Meeting, 7pm (Note change of date)
21 st October	Bible Study Group, 7pm @ St Hugh's
14 th November	Murder mystery, 7.30pm @ St Alban's
16 th November	First Holy Communion Parents Meeting, 7pm @ St Alban's
12 th December	Christmas Fair @ St Alban's
11 th January	Baptism Preparation, 7pm @ St Alban's