Parish Newsletter 31st October & 1st November 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/safegarding One copy is at the back of church

Scripture Readings: Thirty-First 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 CHOIR Tuesday 7 30pm - 8 30pm during term time. For more info contact Jo on 07745517371
SECOND COLLECTION to be taken this weekend, **31st October & 1st November** for **Diocesan Hospices.**

Altar Server Training this training session is for all existing Altar Servers and any young person who has made their First Holy Communion and is interested in becoming an Altar Server. This is for both St Alban's and St Hugh's. **Saturday 21st November 9.30am at St Alban's.** If you have any questions please speak to Fr Vitalis, Aoife Leavesley (St Alban's), Emma Cassartelli (St Hugh's) or contact the parish office.

The **Mass of Installation** of Fr Vitalis as parish priest of St Alban's and St Hugh's will take place on **Thursday 3rd December at 6.30pm at St Alban's**. The Celebrant will be Rev Canon John Kyne. Please join us for refreshments in the hall after Mass.

First Holy Communion Our first meeting for parents will take place on **Monday 16th November at 7pm** at St Alban's.

MONTH OF HOLY SOULS November is traditionally the month when we remember all those who have died. Place the names of those you would like us to pray for in a 'Dead List' envelope and return it to church. Envelopes are in the entrance of St Hugh's and St Alban's. Masses will be celebrated during November for all those names included in our 'November Dead List' envelopes. The envelopes will remain on the Altar during the month of remembrance.

We would like to invite you and your family to our special annual **Memorial Mass on 27th November** at **6.30pm at St Alban's Church** to remember all those who have died. We will especially remember those that have died throughout the last year from both of our church communities. We look forward to seeing you on the evening. After the service, please join us for refreshments in the parish hall.

Blessing of graves If you would like the grave of a deceased loved one to be blessed during the month of November, please meet Fr Vitalis at the entrance to the cemetery.
8th November after Mass St Alban's Memorial Garden
15th November at 12.30pm Nottingham Road Cemetery (entrance opposite Reginald Road South)
22nd November at 12.30pm Spondon Cemetery
29th November at 1.30pm Borrowash Cemetery (note change of time)

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Thirty-First Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday Mass at St Alban's is streamed at www.youtube.com/@stalbansderby
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 November – For the proper use of wealth.
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Day & Date	Place	Time	Event	Mass Intention
Saturday 31st October Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	**Teresa Chan RIP & Deceased members of the Lemon Family**
Sunday 1st November All Saints (Solemnity)	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	**People of the Parish**
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	**Deceased members of the Spinks Family**
Monday 2nd November All Souls' Day	St Alban's	10.00am	Mass	**Int. of the Pope**
	St Hugh's	6.30pm	Mass	**All the faithful departed**
Wednesday 4th November Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop (Memorial)	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	**Louis & Maureen Akandu RIP**
Thursday 5th November Feria	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	**Deceased members of the Salt Family**
Friday 6th November Feria	St Hugh's	10.00am	Mass	**Violate Alozie RIP**
Saturday 7th November Vigil	St Alban's	6.30pm	Mass	**Deceased members of the Brown Family**
Sunday 8th November Thirty-Second Sunday of the year	St Hugh's	9.00am	Mass	**People of the Parish**
	St Alban's	10.30am	Mass	**Philip & Kevin Orrell RIP**

Apply for your **Child's Reception Place.** If your child is due to **start Reception in September 2027** you must apply for a primary school place through your home Local Authority by **15th January 2027**. If you would like your child to be considered for a Catholic primary school, there is an additional step: Complete the school's Supplementary Information Form (SIF). Send the completed SIF directly to the school. Send the required supporting evidence (for example, a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate) 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. If you do not have a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate, please contact the parish where your child was baptised as soon as possible to request a replacement.

St Alban's CVA if you have any family members or friends who are interested in a **reception school** place for **September 2027**, please share this information and date of our Open Afternoon and evening with them. **Tuesday 10th November** at **1.30pm and 6pm**. If anyone is unable to attend on this day, we can arrange a separate school visit on another day. We are also happy to show any prospective parents around who may be interested in transferring to St Alban's for other year groups.

The Feast of St Hugh will be celebrated on **Saturday 21st November at 6.30pm** at **St Hugh's** with Mass followed by a shared table in the hall with bingo and a raffle. Please come along to celebrate and bring something for the shared table if you are able. There will be no Saturday evening Mass at St Alban's on this day.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th November	**RCIA, 7.15pm @ St Alban's**
14th November	**Murder Mystery, 7.30pm @ St Alban's**
16th November	**First Holy Communion Parents Meeting, 7pm @ St Alban's**
16th November	**Readers Meeting, 7pm @ St Hugh's (St Hugh's readers)**
18th November	**Bible Study Group, 7pm @ St Alban's**
21st November	**Altar Server Training 9.30am @ St Alban's**
21st November	**Feast of St Hugh Mass and Celebration afterwards with shared table, 6.30pm @ St Hugh's**
27th November	**Memorial Mass, 6.30pm @ St Alban's**
30th November	**Social Group Meeting – Christmas Fair planning, 7pm @ St Alban's**
3rd December	**Fr Vitalis' Mass of Installation, 6.30pm @ St Albans**
12th December	**Christmas Fair @ St Alban's**
11th January	**Baptism Preparation, 7pm @ St Alban's**