



MASS TIMES

Sunday: 9am & 11am
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am
****Feast of Ss Peter & Paul**

Wednesday: NO MASS
Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am
Saturday: 6pm-

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Children's Liturgy Lessons.

ST ALBAN

Parish Newsletter – 27th June 2021
 + 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading:	Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24
Psalm	<i>I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.</i>
Second reading:	2 Corinthians 8: 13-15
Gospel:	Mark 5: 21-43

'God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living' (Wisdom 1:13). How powerfully this divine purpose is illustrated in the two stories in today's Gospel. Illness, death-both result from the 'envy of the devil.' Both are rendered impotent by the touch of Jesus.

In the Gospel, Mark frames the story of the woman who was sick for twelve years with the story of Jairus' daughter, a twelve-year-old child on the point of death. The women had suffered as long as the child had lived. Who cannot resonate with the frustration and expense of consulting doctor after doctor to no avail? With the anguished helplessness of Jairus?

At the same time, whose faith can even begin to approach that of Jairus and the woman? "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured," the woman believed. She touched Jesus and 'felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction.' Jairus asks Jesus to lay his hands upon his daughter, 'that she may get well and live.' At the word and touch of Jesus, the girl 'arose immediately and walked around.' What a contrast to Jairus' faith and the incredulity of the mourners who 'ridiculed' Jesus! What a contrast between the life-giving power inherent in Jesus and the destructive forces of sin and death!

Today's psalm no doubt captures the joy of those Jesus healed: "I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.....You changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord, my God, forever will I give you thanks." May we, this day, seek the power of Jesus' touch for whatever is in need of healing. Then we too will rejoice and give praise.

EASING LOCKDOWN GUIDELINES

As the rules for coming out of the lockdown are being relaxed across the country, so we are allowed to ease some of the restrictions in church. From this weekend we will revert to distributing Holy Communion at its rightful time. We will follow the pattern of coming for Communion that has been set this past year, only returning to your places after receiving before the Concluding Rite. We will still use the side doors to exit the church at the end of mass. The minister distributing Communion is allowed to say 'The Body of Christ' to each communicant again. The communicant is encouraged to respond 'Amen'. The presentation of gifts at the offertory time may take place again. However, we must continue to exercise caution, the virus has not gone away! **Continue to wear masks**, (unless you have a medical reason not to), keep a safe distance from others outside your 'bubble' and sanitize your hands on entering and leaving the church and before coming to receive Holy Communion. We are obliged to continue to take details of those entering the church for track and trace purposes. To that end I once again thank our volunteer stewards who have been so generous with their time and energy over the last year.

REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH

Registration forms are available from the porch. Complete and return to the Presbytery. Thank you.

Parish QR code

For online donations



Sacraments

Baptisms:

Up to 30 people at the ceremony. To arrange a baptism please contact Fr Dermot.

Funerals:

It is the normal procedure to first contact your chosen Funeral Director. They will liaise with Fr Dermot.

Weddings: Preparation for marriage: Six months' notice is required. Please contact Fr Dermot.

Newsletter

If you wish to receive a copy of our weekly newsletter by email, please sign up by using the website **e-Alert** or email the parish office to request.



SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

First Holy communions will take place over the next two weekends, during the regular Mass times.

Saturday 26th June 6pm, Sunday 27th June at 11am.

Saturday 3rd July 6pm, Sunday 4th July at 11am.

The two 11.00 masses on these days will be very busy. If you normally come to that mass on Sundays perhaps you might consider coming to the 9.00 mass instead. Benches will be reserved for the First Communion families.

VACANCY – ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Caretaker Team Leader required. See poster in porch for all details.

DONATE TO THE CHURCH

Thank you to all who have converted their weekly contribution to Direct Debit. This has been a great asset to us. If you wish to join the planned giving scheme in our Parish, please contact the Parish office by email, if possible or visit our website for more information. Alternatively, simply set up a direct debit:

A/c name: WRCDT St Alban North Finchley-

Sort code: 40-05-20

A/c No: 51094491

Reference: Your name/donation

If you have recently donated by Direct Debit for the first time, please advise the Parish Office of your details. We have received a few donations recently from parishioners who are not registered.

ST BARNABAS FOODBANK

St Barnabas Foodbank at 913 High Road North Finchley, accepts donations of food each Saturday between 9.30 & 12.30. They are open for those in need on Mondays 12.30 – 2pm.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 27th June	9am	Alfredo Moruzzi	RIP
	11am	First Holy communion	
Monday 28th June	9.30am	Mrs Codipilly	RIP
Tuesday 29th June	9.30am	Krystyne Griffin	Ints
Wednesday 30th June	*** NO MASS ***		
Thursday 1st July	9.30am	John Cussell	RIP
Friday 2nd July	9.30am	Teresa Winch	Ints
Saturday 3rd July	6pm	First Holy Communion	

Please remember in your prayers the sick:

Therese Jones, John Came
Guiseppe Amato, Gerard McGann

all the recently departed and their loved ones

John Bradshaw, John Cussell

and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time:

Melanie Farrell, Alfredo Moruzzi, Con Murphy

