



# ST ALBAN

Parish Newsletter – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
+ 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASS TIMES - 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

**Sunday:** 9am & 11am  
**Monday:** 9.30am  
**Tuesday:** 11am-Funeral  
**Wednesday:** 9.30am  
**Thursday:** 9.30am  
**Friday:** 9.30am  
**Saturday:** 6pm

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## PARISH WEBSITE

Visit our website  
[parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth)  
for all weekly updates and

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Until further notice, children's liturgy  
will be online weekly, via our website.

## REPOSITORY

**Now open on Sunday mornings after  
both Masses.**

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<b>First reading:</b>	<b>Numbers 11:25-29</b>
<b>Psalm:</b>	<b><i>The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.</i></b>
<b>Second reading:</b>	<b>James 5: 1-6</b>
<b>Gospel:</b>	<b>Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48</b>

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Last week the Synod of Bishops published the Preparatory Document for the Synodal Path upon which the Holy Father has asked every Diocese to embark this autumn.

The Cardinal suggested it was a summons to a process which every parish will have needed anyway, sooner or later, to put in train – namely to reflect together on how to renew our sense of mission in the light of eighteen months' experience of pandemic.

The *Main Question* that the Preparatory Document suggests for discussion is as follows: "A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, 'journeys together'. How is this 'journeying together' happening today in your local Church? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our 'journeying together'?" Our hope is that reflection on the journey we have come and the hopes it has inspired for future mission will indeed help us to see more clearly the steps we are being called to take to 'journey together' more deeply.

In order to assist this discussion, the group charged with preparing our Diocesan response are creating resources to assist every Parish to follow the *Pathways* best suited to their situation. These will include a diversity of Listening processes – *Pathways* which range from a short series of gatherings with Parishioners to Listening Events in different parts of the Diocese. Every Parish is asked simply to do as much as it is able.

October will be the time for more intensive preparation; November and the first part of Advent the time for Listening. There will be a Pastoral Letter for 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> October; soon after that the sending out of the first resources to Parishes. By way of support, there will be the opportunity for Clergy and Parish Reps to avail of Training Sessions and short Zoom calls.

The time of consultation will be followed by a period of distillation of feedback – into mid-January. On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January there will be a presentation of what has been heard – at a Pre-Synodal Diocesan Meeting using both the Cathedral and the Cathedral Hall.

## COME AND SEE

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church and its Teachings? Perhaps you might be thinking of becoming a Catholic and want to know how? St Alban's Church, North Finchley, has a group for adults which meets every **Wednesday evening** at 8.00pm in the Presbytery beginning on **Wednesday 15th September**. Why not come along to find out more? In the meantime, just phone or email the parish to let us know you're interested and if you wish, we can put you in touch with someone who can tell you what to expect and answer your questions. You will be made very welcome.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021-22

Our First Holy Communion preparation course for children in Year 3 and above who attend Catholic Schools will begin on Saturday 27th November 2021. You will find the application form on our parish website and in the church porch. Please return it by Sunday 7th November 2021 by email or by posting the completed form through the Presbytery door.

## Parish QR code

For online donations



## SACRAMENTS

### Baptisms:

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.

## REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH

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

## ST BANABAS FOODBANK

Accepts donations of food each Saturday between 9.30 & 12.30. They are open for those in need on Monday's 12.30-2pm.  
913 High Road, North Finchley.

## 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.



## SECONDARY TRANSFER EVENINGS

Details of various schools, date and times on display in porch.

## THURSDAY CLUB

Next meeting will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 1-3pm. Entry £1. However, The Arts Depot have invited members to a lunch and concert on the same day. Cost £7. Meet at Art Depot at 11.30pm. If you wish to attend please contact Sarah on 020 8446 3465.

## UNVEILING AND DEDICATION OF A WAR MEMORIAL-FINCHLEY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT 3PM

You are all welcome to attend this event. The service will be led by The Bishop of London, the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE, and will be joined by Rabbi Pinchas Hackenbroch and Fr Dermot.

## CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – CLIMATE CRISIS APPEAL

Family Fast Day 1<sup>st</sup> October. Envelopes available from all exits today. Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. This Family Fast Day, donate in the parish using a CAFOD envelope or online through the [CAFOD website](https://cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis) ([cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](https://cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis))

## HAND MADE SALE – THANK YOU

A big thank you to all our generous parishioners who donated cakes, produce and preserves and to those who bought the home-made goods. Proceeds from the sale, together with some donations, has amounted to £750 which will all be going to support the Afghan Refugees. What a fantastic result.

## DONATE TO THE PARISH

Please use the following to pay money into the Parish for various reasons. First Holy Communion / Mass Stipends etc.

Account Name: WRCDT Finchley North

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 51094491

Please add your Name as a reference and the reason for the payment.

## FINCHLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – VANCANCIES.

Further details of vacancies see: <https://www.finchleycatholic.org.uk>

### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9am</b>	Bruna & Fred Antonioni	RIP
		<b>11am</b>	Ricky Diamond	RIP
<b>Monday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	George Pacificus Victor	RIP
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Funeral - Tim Daly</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Angela & Milton Victor	RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Therese Jones	RIP
<b>Friday</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Ralph Pinto & Diogo Victor	RIP
			Joe Regan	RIP
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	<b>6pm</b>		

**Please remember in your prayers the sick:**

John Came, Mary Chapman, Ian Dunn and Family

**all the recently departed and their loved ones**

Pat Payne

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

Marie Fleming, Eddie Forrest



