



MASS TIMES w/c- 17 Oct 2021

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am
Wednesday: 11am-Funeral
Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am
Saturday: 6pm

Church will remain open during the day for private prayer.

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Visit our website
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.

ST ALBAN

Parish Newsletter – 17th October 2021
 + 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading: Isaiah 53: 10-11
Psalm: May your love be upon us,
 O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.
Second reading: Hebrews 4: 14-16
Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

The First Reading is probably familiar to us as the Good Friday reading about the suffering servant of God. From early times, the Christian Church has applied this image to Jesus. The prophecy of a servant who would redeem Israel through suffering is unique among prophetic books. To say that Isaiah predicted the coming of Jesus is not accurate, but Isaiah did see the world turned upside down by God's victory and restoration of Israel. Mountains would be made low, what is crooked made straight, rivers run in the desert and those who were humiliated and brought low would be raised up. In Isaiah's imagination and poetry, the suffering servant enhanced the "new creation" God was working out.

Those who witnessed the crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ were trying to describe something they had never experienced. Children who are learning to speak do much the same thing. Early Christian communities found the most apt descriptions for Jesus in the words and prophecies of the Old Testament. For them, Jesus was fulfillment of those Scriptures because what they read there fit their experience of Jesus so closely. As Christians, we need the Old Testament to explain the identity of Jesus. The words of Isaiah help us understand the object of our belief, in turn, our belief provides some illumination on the words spoken so long before Jesus.

The New Testament quotes Isaiah more than any other Old Testament book except for the Psalms. It is Isaiah's strong poetry and imagination, as well as his sight into God's actions in history, that make his prophecy such a rich resource for understanding who Jesus is in the life of the world. Isaiah's description of the suffering one also paints a sobering picture for any disciple who would drink the cup Jesus drinks and follow in his footsteps for the sake of God and the world.

CHANGES TO MASS TIMES

Thank you to those of you who participated in our poll regarding the Sunday mass times. 74 households responded. Of those the majority were for keeping the 9.00 and 11.00 masses. A significant minority wished for a later mass than 9.00 for the 'family mass' when the children's liturgy of the word resumes, but earlier than 11.00! There were suggestions of 10.00 and 12.00 or 8.00 and 10.00, for that purpose. In the interest of keeping the mass as accessible to as many as possible I have gone with 9.30 and 11.30, as suggested by several families with small children. The family mass (with liturgy of the word when it is deemed safe to resume) will be at 9.30. **These times will begin from today, October 17th, and will be reviewed next Summer.**

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.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 5.15pm

REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH

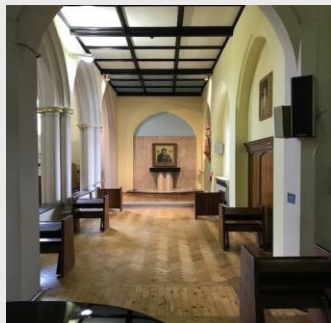
Registration forms are available from the porch. Complete and return to the Presbytery. Thank you.

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.



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2021-22

Application forms now available from porch or on our website.

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. 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.

RETURN OF FAITH SHARING GROUPS

The booklets will be sold after weekend Masses at £3 each. For more information or to join a group, call Chris Woods on 020 8368 3536.

PARENT & TODDLER WEEKLY SESSIONS – CHANGE TO TIME OF SESSIONS

Parent & Toddler sessions return on Monday 11th October at 9.45am until 11.15am.

KEEP THE DATE

Sunday 31st October 2021 - Bring and share get together for Jackie

Sheils This will be held in the hall after 11am Mass, and all are welcome. To maintain safety and prevent overcrowding, we would like to divide it into two sessions: 12.15 - 13.15 parishioners attending 11.30am Mass to come straight into the hall after Mass 13.30- 14.30 all other parishioners are invited to come to this session. As the name implies, we are inviting you to contribute by bringing some food to share. **Savory finger food only please** eg sandwiches, quiche, cocktail sausages, tomato/mozzarella sticks, cheese/grape sticks etc. A small plate per family would be more than sufficient. If you have any questions, please contact the social committee: socialcommitteesap@yahoo.com
Let's celebrate Jackie's huge contribution to the Parish in style.

Saturday 20th November – QUIZ NIGHT.

ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Vacancy for Student Support Assistants. See poster in porch for details.

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS				
Sunday	17th October	9:30am	Jean-Claude Dufour	RIP
		11:30am	John & Margaret Came	Ints
Monday	18th October	9:30am	Kathy Diamond & Family	Ints
Tuesday	19th October	9:30am	David Eaves	RIP
Wednesday	20th October	11am	Requiem- Leslie De Souza	
Thursday	21st October	9:30am	Michael Galbally	Ints
Friday	22nd October	9:30am	Anne & Stanislaw Lisaj	RIP
Saturday	23rd October	6pm	Ricky Diamond	RIP
<p>Please remember in your prayers the sick: John Came, Michael Galbally, Roisin Rafferty all the recently departed and their loved ones Leslie (Sylvester) de Souza, Mary Thompson, Hilda Vaz and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time: Frank Nolan, Paddy Costello, Valerie Willoughby</p>				