

ST ALBAN

Parish Newsletter – 6th March 2022
+ 1st Sunday in Lent



MASS TIMES w/c- 6th March 2022

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am
Wednesday: 9.30am
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

Takes place at the Family Mass at 9.30
on Sundays.

REPOSITORY

Open after both Sunday Masses. New
products in the Repository information
can be found on our website.

First reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm: Be with me, O Lord, in my distress
Second reading: Romans 10:8-13
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

The temptation of Jesus is the centre of the readings today. This is a story in which Jesus stands for all of us and which we can share and identify with him as he undergoes an experience we all have to undergo. We may not be tempted on the same scale as Jesus: we will not be offered all the kingdoms of the world, or to imagine we can escape the privations of the desert by making stones into food, or exercise superpowers by jumping off the temple roof. But we will be tempted in ways that are tailored to our own weaknesses: could we betray someone to advance ourselves, could we put our fingers in the till and not be found out? Jesus triumphs over temptation, but how can we deal with it? The other readings say nothing about temptation, but all are about our dependence on God, our need to call on him and the awareness that we have already been protected. This is most obvious in the psalm and its response. First reading represents a great summary or 'credo' of Israel detailing the great things the Lord has done, protecting and rescuing them from misery, and the need to give thanks. And second reading, a rich passage every word of which can be savored, builds up to the statement that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD

'Liturgy of the Word for Children age 0-7 at the Sunday 9.30 Family Mass returning by popular demand!
Since the start of the Pandemic it has not been deemed safe to hold our Children's Liturgy sessions in the hall. But our teams of Catechists, who have so brilliantly kept it going on the parish website and faithfully prepared worksheets for the children to enjoy at Mass, are now back presenting the sessions in person, beginning on the First Sunday of Lent. The same safety precautions apply as in the church.

Could you help to support this venture? If so, please pick up a form from in the porch and return it to the Presbytery when you have completed it.'

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – FRIDAY 11TH MARCH 2022

This Family Fast Day, we remember that there are many people who need our love and support all around the world. Children experiencing malnutrition like Amie's daughter Lombekh did in Sierra Leone or as we are seeing now in Ukraine, families affected by conflict. Your small act of love can make big things happen. Donations to CAFOD this Lent will reach families around the world, enabling local experts to provide support to families in times of need or conflict. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/lent

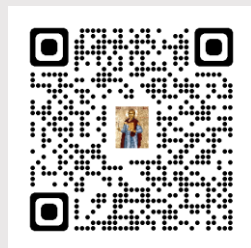
CAFOD'S WALK AGAINST HUNGER LENT CHALLENGE

There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To find out more or take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

LADIES RING FOUND IN THE CHURCH

A ring was found in the church on Thursday 23rd February please contact the presbytery if you have lost one.

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.



FRUGAL BRUNCH

Every Friday after Mass during Lent, starting on the 4th March. Come and join us in the hall for a chat and a cup of tea / coffee and some nibbles. Any voluntary contributions will be donated to HABS - homeless action in Barnet.

CARITAS UKRAINE APPEAL

How we can help our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and those displaced in Poland by the war. Caritas Ukraine and Caritas Poland are working on the ground. The Ukrainian Catholic Church in the UK and Ukrainian Cultural organizations have organized an appeal the details of which can be found on our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth/>

THANKSGIVING FOR MATRIMONY

A Mass for couples celebrating 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries are invited to Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 14th May at 3pm. This occasion is one where joy, gratitude and also the deep emotions of a shared journey are celebrated. Full details can be found on our website under the news section

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth/>

THURSDAY CLUB

Next meeting on **Thursday 10th March 1pm – 3pm** Mike Rich, CEO of Barnet carers will be attending. Barnet carers are an independent charity based in Finchley, offering advice, information, emotional & practical support for informal carers who live or work in the London Borough of Barnet. It will be an opportunity to hear about them & how they may help if you need advice or their other services. All are welcome

FINCHLEY FOOD BANK

The food bank continues to help over 100 families each week and all your donations are greatly appreciated. Essentials include: pasta, rice, tinned foods, cereal, milk & juice, tea, coffee, sugar, toiletries, toilet roll, sanitary towels etc. Donations need to be in date. The collection box is in the church porch. THANK YOU.

ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL VACANCY

The governors are seeking to appoint a Canteen Assistant to support the Canteen Supervisor full details can be found at the back of the church and on our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth/>

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL BOW LANE N12

We are still accepting applications to our nurse for September 2022. If your child was born between 1st April 2019 and 31st March 2020 please apply. All information can be found on the school website

<http://www.ololbarnetschool.org.uk>

PARENT AND TODDLER

The playgroup is now up and running from **9:45am – 11:15am** on Mondays Full details can be found on our website

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sunday	6th March	9:30am	Michael Ronan	RIP
		11:30am	Fr. Patrick Keary	RIP
Monday	7th March	9.30am	Orlando Umayam	RIP
Tuesday	8th March	9.30am	Nora O'Malley	RIP
Wednesday	9th March	9.30am	Alex Daly	RIP
Thursday	10th March	9.30am	Samson Reddy	INT
Friday	11th March	9.30am	Roy Howard	RIP
Saturday	12th March	6pm	Annie & Michael Keary	RIP

Please remember in your prayers

All the sick

John Came Terri McDermott

All the recently departed and their loved ones

Hilda Quintero Teresa Carroll

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

Rebecca Condor Alex Daly Roy Howard Nora O'Malley

Dick & Mary Shanahan PJ Frawley John Beirne

