

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
ST ALBAN

PARISH NEWSLETTER - 7th May 2023

First reading Acts 6:1–7
Psalm: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as
 we place all our hopes in you.
Second reading: 1 Peter 2:4–9
Gospel: John 14:1–12



**MASS TIMES & MASS
INTENTIONS WEEK
COMMENCING 6th May**

Saturday 6th May
6pm Brian Dunne (RIP)

SUNDAY 7th May
9:30am James Smith (RIP)
11:30am Ella & Stan Okulewicz (INT)

MONDAY 8th May
9.30am Mary O'Sullivan (RIP)

TUESDAY 9th May
9.30am Jan Eastoe (INT)

WEDNESDAY 10th May
9.30am Helen Dolan (RIP)

THURSDAY 11th May
9.30am Melissa Kong (INT) Anne O'Reilly (INT)
Virgine Samuel (INT)

FRIDAY 12th May
9.30am Giovanni Paganini (RIP)

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

John Came, Brendan O'Brien, Robert Rowe, Kevin Kerr, Melissa Kong,
Anne O'Reilly, Virgine Samuel, Jan Eastoe

All the recently departed and their loved ones

Michael Boyle, Garcia Godinho, Judith Agholor, Barbara Rodrigues

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

James Smith, Stella Pulecio, Giovanni Paganini, Connie O'Connor

The Gospel has a familiar quotation, another of Jesus's I am statements (see Lent 3,5); *today I am the way, the truth and the Life. And it is given in response to a question by Thomas, which seems to have been deliberately set up to provide a reason for giving the answer. Philip then shows a similar misunderstanding of Jesus, about the Father; and Jesus has another reason for explaining himself: if you have seen him, you have seen the Father. What the 'even greater works' are that will be performed by Jesus's followers is not clear but it could mean that miracles will continue to be worked in his name even after Jesus has gone to the Father.*

Please keep in your prayers our candidates who will be Confirmed this weekend by Bishop John Sherrington.

On Saturday 13th they will celebrate a mass of thanksgiving when they will be presented with their certificates.

Over the next two Sundays our children preparing for First Holy Communion, will receive the Sacrament at 11.30am mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Priest - Rev Dermot O'Neil

Parish Secretary - Alison McKinnie (Office hours: **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.00-1.00pm, Friday 9.00-12noon**
51 Nether Street, North Finchley, London N12 7NN. Tel: **0208 446 0224**

Parish Website - Visit our website for all weekly updates at **parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth**

Safeguarding - Claudia Clayman - Email: **finchleynorthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk**

CHILDRENS LITURGY - Takes place at the Family Mass at 9.30am on Sundays.

REPOSITORY - Open after both Sunday Masses.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: To arrange a baptism please contact Fr Dermot.

FUNERALS: It is 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.

SAVE THE DATE: MASS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Saturday 20th May 2023 at 11.30am

All are welcome. If you know of any relatives, neighbours or friends who find it difficult to get to church, this could be an ideal opportunity to enable them to come by offering them a lift. Mass will be followed by refreshments in the hall and carers and helpers are very welcome. If anyone has any dietary restrictions, please do let us know by email

socialcommitteesap@yahoo.com

Parish Spiritual Library

Through the generosity of a parishioner a number of books have been left in the church porch for people to borrow and return. Many of the books are by renowned spiritual writers, (Thomas Aquinas, Catherine of Sienna, C.S. Lewis, etc) Please feel free to borrow a book you may wish to read, but please return it for others to read!



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OVER 55'S THURSDAY CLUB

**Thursday Lunch Social, 11th May 2023
1.00pm to 3.00pm**

We welcome all to our monthly social gathering. We're having a post- King's Coronation event with coronation food and entertainment. Lynda is back to lead the Tai Chi. Come with old friends and make new ones. We have a fun quiz and a raffle for great prizes, all for a £2.00 donation (plus price of raffle tickets). We look forward to seeing you.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation, visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

REPOSITORY

**LOVELY CARDS AND GIFTS
CURRENTLY ON SALE IN THE REPOSITORY**

First Holy Communion is taking place in our parish this month. We have some amazing cards & gifts.

Please visit and support our parish

The church will remain open during the day for private prayer.