

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST ALBAN

PARISH NEWSLETTER - 28th January 2024

First reading

Deuteronomy 18:15–20

Psalm:

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Second reading:

1 Corinthians 7:32–35

Gospel:

Mark 1:21–28

PARISH MASS BOOK: PREFACE 1, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 3



**MASS TIMES & MASS
INTENTIONS WEEK
COMMENCING 27TH JANUARY**

**Saturday 27th January
6pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Maria Bohan**

**Sunday 28th January
9:30am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Martina De Souza (INT)
11:30am Bridget Ablett**

**Monday 29th January
NO MASS TODAY**

**Tuesday 30th January
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**Wednesday 31st January-Saint John Bosco, Priest
9.30am Angela Reid (RIP)**

**Thursday 1st February
NO MASS TODAY**

**Friday 2nd February-THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
9.30am Alex Akerele (RIP)
Margaret Wales (RIP)**

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

Anne Dooley, Lorraine Baxter, Leroy Condor, Sarojini Rman,
Giridharan Raman, Murdoch McGuire, Julia Forsyth,
Adam Bogusz, Adriano Grazioli, Noreen Ellisdon, Bob Smith,
Bernadette McGann, Janet Crawley, Gabriel Hadid, Brendan O'Brien,
Robert Rowe

All the recently departed and their loved ones

and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time:
Maria Bohan, Alex Akerele, Margaret Wales, Angela Reid, Vittoria Ghirardani

TOGETHER IN BARNET

Barnet Council provides night shelter throughout the winter months for the homeless in the borough. With the help of church communities like ours, the burden is spread. Our parish of St Albans will host guests on Sunday nights from March 3rd for 2 months. Already we have had a wonderful response from parishioners with offers of help. We need to provide a welcome and refreshments from 7pm on Sundays followed by a hot supper at 8pm. Lots of offers of help with this so far. We still need a couple of volunteers each night to stay overnight. We also need some help on Monday mornings offering light (uncooked) breakfast and somebody with transport to deliver 'kitbags' from here to the next shelter.

Those who have volunteered so far will by now have received an email with further details. If you would like to help please contact finchleynorth@rcdow.org.uk. This could be considered a suitable act of charity for Lent.

Gluten free communion hosts

We have coeliac Hosts in this church which are gluten free. If you wish to receive Holy Communion with gluten free hosts please let Fr Dermot know before which ever mass you will be attending.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Priest - Rev Dermot O'Neill

Parish Secretary - Alison McKinnie (Office hours: **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.00-1.00pm, Friday 9.00-12noon**
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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.

RITE OF WELCOME TO THE CATECHUMENATE

At the 11.30 Mass this weekend we will welcome the adults who are preparing for Baptism in our church at Easter. Please pray for Tiina, Yannas and Sreejith as they continue their journey towards the Sacraments of Initiation.

LENT MUSIC PRACTICE

Please come and join us for a music rehearsal on Friday 2nd February 2024 at 7pm in the Church. We will be practising the songs/hymns we will be singing during Lent.

MISSION APPEAL

Next weekend there will be a Mission Appeal at all masses on behalf of the Columban Fathers. They now have both priests, nuns and lay Missionaries working internationally. The purpose of the Appeal is to seek greater support for their work principally through the readership of their Mission magazine, 'The Far East', to request the prayers of the parish community and to commend our missionary work to their continued material support.

FINCHLEY FOOD BANK

Thank you for your continued support of Finchley Foodbank. The cost of living crisis means fewer donations and more demand, so we're really grateful for your generosity – the foodbank supports 500-600 people every week with 3 days' worth of food & toiletries. We ask for dried or tinned items that are in-date – there's a list in the porch if you need inspiration!



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Parish QR code
For online donations

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

