

THANK YOU

Mary Searby and family would like to thank most sincerely all who attended the Requiem Mass for Fr Robert Dudley last Thursday.

It was wonderful to see so many of his friends there and we felt very moved and supported by you all. The Service was beautiful and special thanks are due to the Choir and Organist for the lovely music they provided, to those who read and interceded and of course to Canon Anthony for his homily. Last but not least our appreciative 'thank you' to the Ladies Guild, for providing us with the most welcome refreshments after the Service.

Mary



PRIEST'S TRAINING FUND

A sincere 'thank you' to everyone who has contributed to the 'Priest's Training Fund'. This is a very important collection as it pays for the training of those preparing to serve as priests in our Diocese. To date £2,074.91 was donated. If you haven't yet made a contribution the fund remains open for a few weeks more. Contributions can be handed into the parish office. If you wish to 'Gift-Aid' your donation please use one of the envelopes.

COFFEE MORNING

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Undercroft after Mass on Tuesday morning, everyone is welcome.



FIRST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING MASS

Next Sunday 9th June at 9.45am we will be celebrating the Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass please make a special effort to come along to this Mass if you made your First Holy Communion this year.



MARGARET OLIVER RIP

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Margaret Oliver who died recently. Margaret's requiem Mass will be on 19th June at 12 Noon. We remember Margaret's family in our prayers at this time.

THY KINGDOM COME

30th May - 9th June 2019. Be part of this global movement to 'light up the world' by pledging to pray at www.thykingdomcome.global. Join in our local services: Beacon Event at St Albans Cathedral on Sunday 9th June at 6.30pm all are welcome. Bishop Paul will be leading prayers during the service. Please see the Posters in the Porch for more information.



lives simply

Wed 5th June is World Environment Day, when the United Nations encourages worldwide awareness and action to protect the environment. We can all emulate the 'Laudato Si Generation' of young Catholics by making a special effort to save on water, or gas, or electricity, or paper, or petrol, or meat etc, for one day!

For more information visit the website: <https://www.worldenvironmentday.global>
Laudato Si

WALK IN THE PARK

Bluebells, wisteria and roses were the delight of the walkers last month! Do join us for an hour's walk around Rothamsted Park and Manor House this Wednesday 5th June meeting at 10am outside our Church. We go for a coffee after and if the weather should be bad, its straight for coffee in a nearby café! Look out for further walks every first Wednesday of the month.



VINTAGE TEA AFTERNOON

Another call to all St Dominic's Parents from 1980's and 90's! You are warmly invited to a Vintage Tea Afternoon in the Undercroft, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Friday 14th June, 2 till 4pm. If you are a Bake-Off fan, please bring a homemade cake, but if not, no worries. Donations will go towards the Polycystic Kidney Disease Charity in memory of Dick Knapman, one-time active parent at the School. There will be a Cake Sale after - if there are any left! RSVP and info Colette 07974 241078



PARISH STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend for the ever-popular Strawberry Social. This will be held in the Presbytery garden on Sunday 23rd June from 4pm. Tickets cost £5 (family ticket £15). Proceeds will go to the Child Contact Centre.



SUMMER CONCERT 23RD JUNE

This year the choir are performing Haydn's Nelson Mass and Monteverdi's Beatus Vir on Sunday 23rd June at 6.30pm. Our choir will be joined with singers from other churches in Harpenden as part of the Cultivate Arts Festival 2019. Soloists include Alison Langer and Lawrence Thackeray and a string ensemble from the Royal Academy of Music. It will be a wonderful occasion so please

save the date and get your tickets! Tickets are now on sale £10 and £5 children - after each Mass or contact Katie Metcalfe



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LOURDES SUMMER RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS:

The Assumption Sisters and Fathers invite young adults in their 20-30s for an English-speaking spiritual retreat in Lourdes, France in the summer of 2019. **Dates: Sat 3rd August - Fri 9th August 2019** with talks, prayer, silence, pilgrimage, desert day and spiritual accompaniment. For more information email youth@assumptionreligious.org Cost: £300 (£220 for students/low waged) - a limited number of subsidised places are available. (Excl. travel - your flight to Lourdes) **Register online:** <http://bit.ly/retreatlourdes>



SAVE THE DATE- WALSHINGHAM PILGRIMAGE FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

Sunday 6th October. Tickets: Adults £17.50, Children & Students £8.00. For more information: www.prolifepilgrimage.org. To book contact Geraldine: 07971 028415/ mgeraldine_ward@hotmail.com

THE ALBAN PILGRIMAGE

Saturday 22nd June. The annual celebration of the story of Alban, Britain's first saint. The day starts with a magnificent procession from St Peter's church to the Cathedral at 10.45am. For more information please see the poster on the noticeboard.

