St Alban's Parish Church



Sunday 3rd March Third Sunday in Lent

As our Lenten journey leads us towards the cross, we give thanks for God's continuous concern for creation. Through worship and Communion may we draw closer to each other, standing as equals before bread and wine, symbols of God's enduring and universal love.

9.00 am Said Mass Fr Graham

10.00 am Parish Mass

President Mtr Linda Preacher Fr Graham Readings John Appleby Intercessions John Hotchin

6.00pm Evening Prayer Mtr Linda

Today at the Parish Mass:

Hymns: NEH 94, 59, 72

During the Week

Tues 5th 19.00 Said Mass Fr Graham Thurs 7th 10.00 Said Mass Mtr Linda Fri 8th 18.30 Stations of the Cross

WELCOME We are really pleased to see you. If you have any queries or are unsure about anything please ask.

Lent Appeal

Our Lent appeal this year is for new chairs. Our old chairs are worn out and unsuitable to the flexible use of the church including for our children's work and Drop-in, as well as worship. The PCC have therefore taken the decision to replace the chairs with new ones.

You may wish to buy a chair (approximately £177), in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a child's baptism. You may be able to give a much smaller (or even larger) amount. Any donations made will be very much appreciated and be used for buying the chairs.

This year is very much a one-off with regard to Lent appeals and almsgiving. We prefer where possible to support needy causes outside of the church but we need to equip St Alban's to be a church for many years to come.

Next Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday

On Mothering Sunday, we pause in the middle of Lent to give thanks for those who have given us life. We give thanks for the Church, our spiritual mother, who nourishes us in faith and sends us out to live as God's people in the world.

First Reading Exodus 2:1-10

During a time of oppression, two Hebrew women and two Egyptian women save the child Moses from likely death, raising him to be the leader of God's people.

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-17

We find a comprehensive set of instructions for living well in fellowship with other Christians, where all patterns of behaving emerge from our love for Christ.

Gospel John 19:25*b*-27

Even as he dies, Jesus creates a new community from those who love him, entrusting his mother to the disciple he loves.

Services

9.00 am Said Mass Fr Graham

10.00 am Parish Mass

President and PreacherFr GrahamReadingsScoutsIntercessionsGuides6.00pm Evening PrayerMtr Linda

Notices

Walsingham Pilgrimage - 20 - 22 September 24. List at back of church.

Spring Fayre 1st June Start preparing now!

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Digital and Online Giving

St Alban's relies solely on donations to maintain services and our work in the community. We know people want to generous but don't always have the

means at hand to make a donation when they are in church.

You can now use this QR code to make a donation online at any time via our secure website. Thank you for your support.



Information and Notices for Pew Sheet to Elizabeth Franklin elmfranklin@gmail.com

First Reading Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Psalm 19, 7-12



The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than fine gold.

sweeter also than honey, dripping from the honeycomb.

By them also is your servant taught and in keeping them there is great reward. Who can tell how often they offend?

O cleanse me from my secret faults.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' 20Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumblingblock to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the moneychangers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Intercessions

We pray for the whole Church; that where it is disrupted, disunited and drained, it may be filled with a spirit of revival, purpose and vision.

We pray for the world for which Christ gave his life; that all leaders may follow his way of sacrifice, striving for peace, justice and compassion.

We pray for mercy on all who are powerless, shelter for the homeless, relief for the hungry and a global understanding of the command to love our neighbours. We pray for those in need, those who are ill, distressed or near to death; that they may receive the comfort and peace of the Lord who bears their sorrows.

We pray for all who have recently died, together with those whose years mind occurs this week including: David Stewart, Alf Sims, Mary Martin, Joan Sims, Cath Clarke, John Suddaby.