

Worship this week

Sun 28 th	Holy Innocents	9.30am Morning Prayer I Iam Sung Mass
Mon 29 th	S. Thomas a Becket, Martyr	9am Morning Prayer at St Mark's (and via Zoom) 12noon Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer
Tue 30 th	Sixth Day in the Christmas Octave	8.30am Zoom Morning Prayer 6.30pm Evening Prayer 7.30pm Mass
Wed 31 st	Seventh Day in the Christmas Octave	8.30am Morning Prayer 10.15am Mass 11.30 to 12 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thu 1 st Jan 2026	Naming and Circumcision of Jesus	12 noon Sung Mass
Fri 2 nd	Ss Basil and Gregory, Bishops	
Sat 3 rd		9.30am Morning Prayer 10.15am Mass 11.30 to 12 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 4 th	Epiphany of Our Lord	9.30am Morning Prayer I Iam Procession and Sung Mass

Morning and Evening Prayer will also be available on Zoom. Please contact Fr Neil for details. All our Masses will be livestreamed.

This week we offer our Masses for: Sunday: Parish and People, Monday: Archbishop-Designate of Canterbury, Tuesday, Children's Society, Wednesday: Prisoners, Thursday: A safe and happy 2026, Saturday: Peace in Russia.

We pray for our local community in: Nelson St, Nelson Mews, Capel Terrace, Cashiobury Terrace, Runwell Terrace, Milton Place, Western Esplanade, The Whole Parish, Manor Rd, Clifton Drive, Seaforth Rd, Argyll House, Homecove House, Holland Rd, Palmeria Ave, Water's Edge, Shorefield Ave.

For those who are sick and in need:

Sunday: John Triggs, Robin, Marta, Pauline Maker, David Raglan, Graham Turnidge, Nicole Beard, Mthr Lizzy, Jamie Hawkes, Sheila Grant, Luke Mesher, Frances, The King. **Monday:** Sally, Gregory, Arthur, Maggie, Leesa, Nicholas, Anne Box, Sue Burton, Norma Gray-Griffiths, Pauline Clark, Helen Pierce. **Tuesday:** Lisette, Lucy, Neil, John McGuinness, Pauline Barta, Fr Ian Michael, Audrey Berry, Jason, Alice Bossard, Jen & Matt Duff, The Revd Julie Fleming. **Wednesday:** Suzi Procaccino, Mary, Christine, Brenda, Keith North, Leah Morassi, Mark, Jim Easton, Dawn Gilbert, Jeff Campbell. **Thursday:** Ken McMillan, Roy North, Danielle Gregory, Jackie Paul, Philip Walker, Cate, Michael Grant, Mark Simpson, Philip St James, Betsy. **Friday:** Marcus Gregory, Matthew Gregory, Graham Cushion, Dave, Mary North, Janet Beale, Maureen Gray, Frankie Rose and family, Andrea Walzy. **Saturday:** Jo Allen, Diane Paisley, Terry Gray, Binu Mullor, Diana, Paul Davison, Jackie Keys, Brenda Bond, Philip Broomfield, Anna Fong, Charlotte Cheeseman.

Recently Departed: Kitty Gregory, Ron Schmitt, Josie Bancroft.

In Memoriam: Clifford Varney, Gwen Storr, Winifred Maddox, Alexander Middleton, Joan Hebden, Phillip Moore, Cyril Elderton, Alfreda Ranalow, Violet Brown.

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

Saint Alban the Martyr

Westcliff on Sea
Holy Innocents



Our Sunday Mass begins with hymn **39 Unto us a boy is born** in your green hymn book which we will sing after the bell rings.

No Evening Prayer on Wednesday this week.
Morning Prayer on Tuesday is on Zoom only.

Many thanks to all those who helped in any way to make our Christmas celebrations go so well, especially those unseen tasks such as cleaning and tidying up.

Thank you from Fr Neil and all the ministry team for all your kind cards and gifts at Christmas.

Alban's Allsorts is now on Christmas break and will re-convene on Tuesday 13 January 2026.

On New Year's Day we celebrate the **Naming of Jesus** and there will be a Sung Mass at 12 noon followed by refreshments.

Gluten Free wafers are available but please let us know that you need one when you arrive at church.

Church cleaning and gardening on Wednesdays from 12 noon until 2pm. Tea and chocolate biscuits offered in recompense.

We do not currently take a collection during our Sunday Mass but **everything that we do in our parish relies entirely on the donations that you give us**. To make a regular donation you can sign-up to our Parish Giving Scheme at www.parishgiving.org.uk or by telephoning 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9 - 5. You can make a one-off donation by cash in the plate at the back of church or on our card machine at the coffee bar.

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