

# ST ALBAN'S R.C. PARISH, WINSLOW

Pastoral Area of Milton Keynes / Diocese of Northampton

Worshipping at  
St Laurence C. of E. Church  
on the High Street in  
Winslow



*Deo vero ac vivo*

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Sun.	18 <sup>th</sup> October	11:45	Mass of Twenty-Ninth Sunday <i>per annum</i>	<i>Tristan Lismonde, RIP</i>
Sun.	25 <sup>th</sup> October	11:45	Mass of Thirtieth Sunday <i>per annum</i>	<i>Patricia Roney, RIP</i>
Sun.	1 <sup>st</sup> November	11:45	Solemnity of All Saints	<i>Pro Populo</i>

**Parish Mass** is normally on Sundays at 11:45am, excepting the First Saturday of the month when it is a Vigil Mass at 6pm

**Confessions:** 1st Sat. 5:30pm, side chapel ; **Baptisms:** By arrangement ; **Weddings:** Catholic weddings not normally possible

Live screenings of Mass on Weekdays and Sundays (including schedule) at our Cathedral: <https://northamptondiocese.org/live/>

The text of the readings for Daily and Sunday Mass can be found at: <https://www.universalis.com/mass.htm>

NEWSLETTER WILL BE UPDATED WEEKLY ON THE PARISH WEBSITE: <http://www.stalbanwinslow.org.uk/>



## The God Who Speaks: The Year of the Word

*in the Catholic Church in England & Wales*



PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially: Kenneth Lee, Yvonne Williams, Angela Dale, Mary Lyons, and Dan Tyler.

**MASS TIMES UPDATE:** The new "Covid Timetable" for Parish Mass was due for review at the end of last month. Feedback is that people have generally taken to it quite well and also value not having to come out at night every week now that it is getting darker and colder. We will therefore continue with the schedule as it currently stands. The reason for there still being no weekday Mass is due to Fr Anton's prison ministry. The men at Woodhill are still unable to come together for Corporate Worship. Fr Anton anticipated that he might be able to do something with them in smaller groups on weekdays in the chapel as an interim measure. It would appear that this may now be happening soon and so he still does not know what his weekday availability will be for the Parish.

IN ORDER TO SEAT AS MANY PEOPLE as possible at Mass, and safely, you are asked to observe the following seating plan: side aisle seating for couples or families only; centre aisle seating reserved mainly for singles. Please also avail yourself of all the available chairs.

CAFOD & MISSIO WEBINAR about the global response of the Catholic family to the COVID-19

### *Parish Angelus of Hope*

*Pray the Angelus every Saturday at 6pm from 25<sup>th</sup> March to 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2020:*

- *to join Mary in her pregnancy of hope*
- *to unite us all in prayer*
- *to pray for deliverance*
- *to pray for virus sufferers & carers*
- *in thanksgiving as some of us meet again*

*Pray standing (to commemorate the Sunday):*

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,  
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace...etc.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord;  
Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace...etc.

And the Word was made flesh, [*bow to honour the Incarnation*]  
And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace...etc.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,  
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we unto whom the incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Alban, pray for us! St Laurence, pray for us!

pandemic is available for people to watch. It is very hopeful. <https://www.bigmarker.com/cafod/missio>

MONDAY EVENING WEBINARS, *EXPLORING THE POST-LOCKDOWN CHURCH*: Please go to <https://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.co.uk> for more information and to register these diocesan webinars. Tomorrow is Week 4. Fleur Dorrell, Director of the God Who Speaks campaign will be speaking on *The God Who Speaks in All Seasons*. She will be sharing stories about the different ways that people prayed with Scripture during lockdown and will give some inspiration for the months to come.

ONLINE CATHOLIC COURSES: The Academy of the Annunciation, run by two American female Doctors of Divinity is linked with, but separate from, the Bournemouth Oratory in Formation. They are currently offering two online courses which involve minimal time commitment: *Certificate in Reasons for Faith*, and *Diploma in Spiritual Formation*. Each course involves one two-hour session per week. These sessions are live and interactive via Zoom. There is a morning session and an evening session. Both sessions are the same, just at different times of day to suit busy people's availabilities. There is no obligation to do the graded assignments; people are welcome to join purely for personal enrichment. Due to popularity, registration for the *Diploma in Spiritual Formation* has been delayed until 23<sup>rd</sup> October; there is a week left (again, an extension) to sign up for the *Certificate in Reasons for Faith*. Alternatively, there will be a second run of the *Certificate*, beginning 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. Occasionally, through the year, they also offer one-off self-contained study days. For information and enquiries, visit the Academy's website: <https://www.aoa-edu.com/> There are also two YouTube videos giving information for each course: for the *Diploma*, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KnVU4gOmI9M&feature=youtu.be>, and for the *Certificate in Reasons for Faith*, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SIJX43j8Acw&feature=youtu.be>

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### STANDING NOTICES

FACE MASKS OBLIGATORY in church.

TO ALL THOSE STILL STAYING AT HOME: You are not forgotten! Please take all the time you need before you feel confident/are able to come back to Mass. To those who simply need a bit more reassurance that we are taking the necessary precautions, here are some of our measures:

- **Pews are cleaned thoroughly before and after**
- **A distance of 2 metres is maintained at all times**
- **No shared literature; missalettes to be taken home and not left lying in church/given to someone else**
- **Obligatory face masks**
- **The Mass is much shorter so that there is less risk: short sermon, no bidding prayers, no music**
- **Everyone stays in their pew throughout the entire Mass; Holy Communion takes place at the end of Mass and all depart straight after.**
- **Your hosts for Holy Communion are sealed away before Mass starts and only opened again at the point of giving Holy Communion**
- **No dialogue at Holy Communion**
- **No refreshments and so no lingering**
- **Fr Anton sanitises during Mass as well as before; hand sanitiser available for all at entrance and exit**
- **Confessions heard outdoors by request; confessions in St Alban's Memorial Chapel with chairs placed side-by-side facing opposite directions and at right-angle (for those who want face-to-face). Standing is possible for those who do not wish to touch the chair. Face masks and sanitiser obligatory.**

DO NOT FORGET YOU BELONGINGS! Holy Communion at the end of Mass is only a temporary measure which keeps movement in church to a minimum. It also prevents us from sliding back along the pews after reception which carries a risk of possible contamination. Please bring everything with you up to Holy Communion as you will be leaving the church straight away and not coming back inside.

IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK TO FR ANTON after Mass he will be available to speak to outside the church (in favourable weather!). Due to Covid, he will first have to go to the sacristy to remove his vestments before coming outside.

COLLECTION: For those able to attend Mass, there will be a plate for offertory giving as you leave the church (remember to use St Alban's envelopes only, for Gift Aid). Please use the envelopes, if you have them, in the usual way. Anyone who did not manage to pick up envelopes for the year before lockdown should be able to collect them from the church. If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to give via your bank, the parish bank details are as follows: Name: RCDN Winslow; Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60-06-11; Account number: 46714677. Please add your name as a reference. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Greaves on markgreaves@live.co.uk. Many thanks for your continued financial support.

SUNDAY PLUS & NEWLETTER are now available again in church, in addition to still being available digitally on the parish website for the time being. Please note that the Sunday Plus on the website is published monthly. As the month progresses, one needs to scroll down the page for the relevant date's bulletin.

MK FOODBANK donations can now be left in the box in church. Many thanks again for everyone's continued support.