

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



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THERE ARE NO MASSES TAKING PLACE AT PRESENT IN OUR PARISH, OWING TO A LOCKDOWN IN LOCAL ANGLICAN CHURCHES.

ALL NEIGHBOURING CATHOLIC CHURCHES REMAIN OPEN FOR MASS.

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>

THIS NEWSLETTER WILL BE UPDATED WEEKLY ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

Sunday, 10th January, 2021: The Baptism of the Lord

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM FR ANTON: "I want to remind you all that you are very much in my thoughts and prayers. I know I have a reputation for being busy but you must not let this perception prevent you from being in touch with me *for whatever reason*. I care about you all. Remember that I literally lock my work away each evening. You are my one community outside of my prison ministry and it is tough not being with you each week as there is a greater sense of isolation, especially as I spend four days each week in a city in Norfolk where I know nobody and, due to lockdown, it is not possible to meet and get to know people. Thank you for your prayers for my ministry. It is early days at HMP Norwich but it is going as well as it can thus far. Remember that as a Catholic priest I am a key worker and can travel to Winslow when I am back in the diocese each week. If there is anything pastoral you need from me I am happy to see you from your doorstep. If you have any Mass intentions, please email me them. The Mass is the most special Prayer we have and there is so much to pray for. I am sure it could be a real consolation to have Mass offered for various intentions at these times. I am so grateful for Vron for her email ministry. Let us double our efforts to support each other at this hard time, especially through prayer. And please do not forget to join me in the Angelus every Saturday evening at 6pm. After having recited the prayer, I turn towards the direction of Winslow and actually bless you all!"

Parish Angelus of Hope

Pray the Angelus every Saturday at 6pm until 25th March to 25th December, 2020:

- *to join Mary in her pregnancy of hope*
- *to unite us all in prayer*
- *to commemorate our usual Mass time*
- *to pray for deliverance*
- *to pray for virus sufferers & carers*
- *in thanksgiving when we 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!

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

WHAT TO DO FOR SUNDAY MASS: Although the whole country is now in lockdown, places of worship are still allowed to meet as long as it is safe to do so. If you are not in one or more of the vulnerable categories, you are encouraged to attend Mass if you feel you can. Remember that there still is currently no obligation to attend Sunday Mass, although a decision not to attend should really only be from health and safety concerns either for oneself or for someone one is shielding. Do therefore consider attending Mass temporarily in another nearby parish. It is also currently appropriate to attend Mass on a weekday instead of a Sunday if there is a worry about being among a larger group of people. Please also consider continuing a weekly donation to our Catholic St Alban's Parish to aid our finances.

PARISH ANGELUS: This had been put in place in order spiritually to connect us during the pandemic and to give us hope during the nine-month period from the Annunciation to Christmas Day. The thought was that by now we would be over the worst of the pandemic. In view of our suddenly not being able to have Mass together again, Fr Anton asks that we all continue to pray this prayer again, as before, at 6pm every Saturday until the Solemnity of the Annunciation on 25th March.

TUESDAY PRAYER TOGETHER (via Zoom) is on a Tuesday morning for half an hour for prayer and readings together at 9.15am, followed by a few minutes of catch up. The Zoom details, (or via the email link, which does not require Zoom), for every week are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87214680985?pwd=aGh3N1NlY3NlQeFlSklwbFBtRXVTQT09>

Meeting ID: 872 1468 0985

Passcode: 705202

