St Alban's Parish Church



Sunday 9th June Second Sunday after Trinity

We come into the presence of God, whose ways are beyond our understanding but whose love goes deeper than we can imagine. So let us open our lives in trust, offering our thanks for all God has done and will yet do.

9.00 am Said Mass Fr Graham

10.00 am Parish Mass

President and PreacherFr GrahamReadingsSr JulieIntercessionsGeraldine RaineyEucharistic MinisterSue Storey

6.00pm Evening Prayer Mr Jim Weller

Today at the Parish Mass: Hymns: NEH 439, 364, 419

During the Week

Tues 11th 19.00 St Barnabas **Said Mass** Mtr Linda **Thur 13th 10.00 Said Mass** Fr Graham

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

Intercessions

We pray for the Church, asking that we will always be willing to welcome God at work in people. We give thanks for situations in our past where God has done more than we could have asked or imagined.

We pray for the leaders of nations, asking that they might act justly on behalf of their people.

We pray for ourselves; that we might have courage to take that particular step of faith that God is calling us to today.

We pray for those for whom life is difficult, sorrowful or confusing; that they might know the comfort of God's loving presence.

We pray for the dying, and all who have died recently, together with all whose years mind occurs this week:

Ida Nicholson, David Brown, Leslie Ventner, Helen Dragunas, Francis Hurrel.

Please use this sheet in your prayers

Next Sunday 16th June Third Sunday after Trinity

The smallest seeds can produce abundant fruit. We come to worship today asking God to give us grace to make even the smallest contribution to the kingdom and to give thanks for the transformation God brings about.

First Reading Gen 1: 27 – 31

God created humans, blessed them and gave them stewardship of the earth and plants for food. Everything was very good.

Second Reading Acts 2: 43-47

All who believedspent time together and sold their possessions to give to those in need.

Gospel Mark 4:26-29

Jesus first describes the kingdom of God as like someone who scatters seed that brings forth a ripe harvest. And again, it is like a tiny mustard seed that grows into the largest shrub.

Services

9.00 am Said Mass Fr Graham

10.00 am Parish Mass

President Fr Graham Preacher Fr Phil McBride
Readings Andrew Mould
Intercessions Judy Appleby
Eucharistic Minister Tony Mould
6.00pm Evening Prayer Fr Graham

Notices

St Albans Parish lunch 30th June See Joan to book your place (£19)

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First Reading 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots:

He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.'

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'

Psalm 138, 4-8



All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord. Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly:

as for the proud, he regards them from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of troubles, you will preserve me;

you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;

Your right hand will save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1
But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak,

because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 3:20-end

Then he went home; and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'