



# St Alban's Parish Church



## Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April Second Sunday of Easter

In a time of Easter rejoicing we reflect on how the promise of God's new life is given not to those who are strong and confident, but to those who are doubting and fearful. Jesus meets his disciples – and us – in our weakness and offers hope, comfort and courage.

<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Said Mass</b>	Fr Graham
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	
<b>President and Preacher</b>		Fr Graham
<b>Readings</b>		Patrick Newman
<b>Intercessions</b>		Geraldine Rainey
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>		Jim Weller
<b>6.00pm Evening Prayer</b>		Fr Graham

**Today at the Parish Mass:**  
**Hymns:** NEH 117, 173, 113

### During the Week

<b>Tues 29<sup>th</sup> 19.00</b>	Said Mass Fr Graham
<b>Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> 19.00</b>	Said Mass Mtr Linda

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

### Notices

**Next Sunday after Mass** The annual parish and church meetings will take place.

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May** Spring Fayre 1-3 pm. Plants, cakes, books and good quality bric-a-brac for sale are needed. Please let Sally know what you will be able to bring.



## Next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May Third Sunday of Easter

The risen and glorified Jesus invites us to recognise him in our midst, calling us to offer our lives afresh to him, and to hear afresh his words of comfort and call.

<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]</b>
The encounter for Saul with the resurrected Jesus, radically turning his life around, mirrors the encounter in today's Gospel with Peter. It contains both reprimand, and invitation to true discipleship.	
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Revelation 5:11-end</b>
This vision of Jesus in glory is an affirmation of the final working out of God's plan for salvation – a scene of wonder to accompany the reading from the end of John's Gospel.	
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>John 21:1-19</b>
This "additional" scene from the end of John's Gospel underlines the restoration of Peter as a disciple and as Jesus' rock, who will lead the community of faith.	

### Services

<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Said Mass</b>	Fr Graham
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	
<b>President</b>	Fr Graham	<b>Preacher</b> Mtr Linda
<b>Readings</b>		Sr Julie
<b>Intercessions</b>		John Appleby
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>		Wendy Bishop
<b>6.00pm Evening Prayer</b>		Jim Weller

### 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 be 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.



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**First Reading****Acts 5:27-32**

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

**Psalm 118, 17-24**

I shall not die, but live  
and declare the works of the Lord.  
The Lord has punished me sorely,  
but he has not given me over to death. **R**

Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.  
This is the gate of the Lord;  
the righteous shall enter through it. **R**

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.  
The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone. **R**

This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

**Second Reading****Revelation 1:4-8**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:  
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who  
was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits  
who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ,  
the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and  
the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by  
his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests  
serving his God and Father, to him be glory and  
dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;  
every eye will see him, even those who pierced  
him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth  
will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord  
God, who is and who was and who is to come, the  
Almighty.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.  
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel****John 20:19-end**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of  
the week, and the doors of the house where the  
disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews,  
Jesus came and stood among them and said,  
'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed  
them his hands and his side. Then the disciples  
rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to  
them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has  
sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he  
breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the  
Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are  
forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are  
retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the  
twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So  
the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the  
Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark  
of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the  
mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not  
believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house,  
and Thomas was with them. Although the doors  
were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and  
said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas,  
'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out  
your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but  
believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my  
God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed  
because you have seen me? Blessed are those  
who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'  
Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of  
his disciples, which are not written in this book. But  
these are written so that you may come to  
believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God,  
and that through believing you may have life in his  
name.

**Intercessions**

**We give thanks** for the resurrection of Jesus Christ  
and for the gift of eternal life available to all.

**We pray that** the Church of God may be  
empowered afresh by the Spirit and bold in  
proclaiming the good news.

**We pray for** the nations of the world – for peace,  
compassion and wisdom to fill the hearts of all who  
lead and govern.

**We pray for** all who have lost faith, who are  
doubting or downhearted; that they might find new  
hope in Christ and joy in fellowship with his  
disciples.

**We pray for** those who are mourning; that they  
might know the peace of Christ's living presence  
and the assurance of the life that overcomes death.

**Risen Lord, we pray for** all who have recently  
died and all whose names occur this week  
especially those we know including:

Tony Irving, Charles Brown, Brenda Cameron,  
Vera Franklin, Gwenneth Murray, Beatrice Storey.