

The Newsletter of the parishes of



St. Alban at Pelaw



St. Patrick at Felling



Our School

www.stalbangateshead.org

St. Patrick's Presbytery
9 High Street
Felling
Gateshead
NE10 9LT

Tel. No 0191 495 2277

St. Alban's Primary School
Tel. No 0191 469 3251

5th Sunday of the Year
4th February, 2024

The following celebrations will take place during the days ahead.

Saturday: (3rd Feb) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: George Burrell

Sunday: (4th Feb) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday: 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Lindsay Bradley

Thursday: 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Isabella Rogan Taylor

Friday: 10.15 Funeral Service in St. Alban's Church: John Brown

Saturday: (10th) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (11th) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Denis Patrick Lenehan

Ash Wednesday: (14th Feb) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church:

Tommy and Kathleen McKenna and Joan Neil

Mass to view on line

Mass is live streamed from the [Holy Name, Jesmond](#). Visit the website for Mass times this week.

When you are unable to celebrate Mass in Church, you may wish to make this act of spiritual communion:-

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Please keep in your prayers:

- all our parishioners who are sick, housebound or in hospital
- all those whose memories we cherish at this time especially Lindsay Bradley, Denis Patrick Lenehan and Isabella Rogan Taylor
- and John Brown who has died. May he rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

A Prayer for the troubled world

Prince of peace, in a world of conflict and violence we pray that the peace you came to bring may become a reality in the world of our own time. Amen.

School News from Mrs Robinson

Dear Parishioners, thank you for your prayers and support this week. We really felt the benefit of them during our Ofsted Section 8 Inspection. The children and staff did an amazing job of sharing our fantastic school with the inspector and I look forward to sharing the outcome with you soon.

We currently have spaces in our nursery for children who are 3 or 4 years old. If you are interested in either a 15-hour place or a 30-hour place in our teacher-led nursery, please contact the school office on 0191 4693251 for an application pack

White Flower Appeal

The White Flower Appeal for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be taken this weekend 3rd/4th February, by means of a basket as you leave our churches for those who may choose to support it.

A call to our parents

If you are bringing your child(ren) up for a blessing at Holy Communion, would you please ensure they cross their arms over their chest before approaching the minister to avoid any misunderstandings. Thank you so much.

The Path to Jerusalem

A journey in prayer and liturgy from

Ash Wednesday, 14th February to Palm Sunday, 24th March



First Steps – Ash Wednesday Mass and distribution of Ashes ending with the launch of our journey in prayer – with the setting up of a prayer space based on Christ's time in the wilderness,

Fruitful Steps -First Sunday of Lent – The distribution of a sheet of Gospel Readings relating to Alms Giving with suggestions as to what we can do in practically supporting those in need in our community. *Your ideas on this aspect of Lent would be greatly valued*

Learning Steps – A time for discussion about “The Lord’s Prayer” in response to the Year of Prayer.

Healing Steps – A liturgy based on the healing ministry of Christ which may incorporate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Forgiving Steps – A liturgy based around readings focusing on the forgiveness of Christ which may incorporate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Nurturing Steps – A liturgy based on the Feeding of the Five Thousand followed by a Lenten Lunch

Quiet Steps - Encouragement to quiet personal prayer. Selecting a time and place each week to spend in prayer, supported by the weekly distribution of our prayer sheets.

Feel free to join in as many steps of our Journey as you can manage or suits your circumstances and remember whatever steps you take you will be sharing in the journey. Dates will be announced soon. If you would like to help us with further planning please contact Kevin Rhodes, Trisha McGinley or any of our welcomers. Alternatively email the parish office felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk.

Walk with Me - Lenten Booklets

These booklets include a daily reflection for each day of Lent. A limited number are now available to purchase at the back of St. Alban's Church and on the table at the front of St. Patrick's Church priced at £1.00. First come, first served!

The Diocesan Justice and Peace Refugee Project.....

.....which supports people who are seeking asylum in our area, continue to appeal for donations of sugar, biscuits, tinned fish in oil, tins of tomatoes, chick peas, toiletries and shampoo. If you feel able to support this project, donations may be left on the tables at the entrance to our churches and at our school.

Are you new to our Parishes?

If you have recently moved into Bill Quay, Felling, Pelaw, Heworth, Windy Nook and the surrounding area you are more than welcome to come along to worship with us in either St. Alban's Church, Queen Victoria Street, Pelaw or St. Patrick's Church on the High Street in Felling. Mass times are Saturday evening at 18.00 in St. Alban's and 10.00 on a Sunday in St. Patrick's.

If you would like to offer your talents to the parish - and we all have God given talents - then please approach Fr. Patterson or any of our welcomers and provide us with your details. You would also be most welcome to join us for refreshments after Sunday Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre which is located directly underneath the Church. We look forward to seeing you.

Your offerings are our sole source of income

Although we do not take a collection at Mass by passing round a basket, we do hope you will feel able to make an offering towards the upkeep and running costs of our churches in one of the boxes you will find at the entrances to our churches. Alternatively you may consider making your offering by Standing Order the details of which are below.

For St. Alban's: Account name: DHN Pelaw St Alban: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 92010984

For St. Patrick's: Account name: DHN Felling St Patrick: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 52010453