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The Legate

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Dear Parishioners

Happy New Year! I pray that you will be blessed in 2009. Whatever this new year may bring, we can give thanks to the Lord for all his gracious love. I need not look far for all the things I am already thankful for. Just one month ago we began the Church's New Year. If you missed Advent Lessons and Carols, you missed not only a beautiful service but a very worshipful one. It was very inspiring. I want to thank Thomas Rinn our Choir Director, Vicki Keller our Youth Choir Director, Dorinda White our organist, and our Choirs for the beautiful carols and anthems. I thank our readers for their ministry of sharing God's Word with us. The woodwind instruments added that special touch making Lessons and Carols a memorable service. My thanks to Monica Cyphers and helpers for the delicious herbed pork loin roast. And not to leave out all the great potluck dishes everyone brought to share—they were delicious. Thanks also to our St. Nick who made the evening very festive indeed. For a New Year's resolution, I believe that we will need sitters at this service next year to watch a number of our new members born this past year. I believe that we also need to invite our other brothers and sisters in Christ from other Christian denominations to share in this great opportunity to hear God's saving Word.

Again I am most humbled and thankful for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. Your prayers, presence, love and support are greatly appreciated. I have been blessed to serve as your Rector at St. Alban's. The many notes of congratulations and warm thoughts mean more than I can say. Thank you for the great luncheon and all your work preparing for

this celebration at this busy time of year. Please accept my humble thanks and gratitude for all you have done for me and what you mean to me.

Christmas was once again a very beautiful and special service. The celebration of the Incarnation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is always a special time. The Flower Guild once again did a superb job of decorating the Church for this celebration. The music was beautiful and inspiring. The preparation done by our Altar Guild members was excellent. I thank them for all the hard work that goes into preparing for this glorious feast day. Thanks also to our ushers, greeters, readers, chalice bearers and acolytes who serve God at his altar. Your help and welcoming presence at St. Alban's makes an impression of being a holy and wonderful place to be. And so it is!

I would be negligent if I did not express my heartfelt gratitude for all my staff members. They have provided great ministries in helping St. Alban's run smoothly and efficiently. Sharon, Pat, Dan, Susie, Monica, Laura, Heidi, Thomas, Vicki, Dorinda, Fr. Matkin, Fr. Duncan, Deacon Nancy, and not least of all the volunteers who give their time, talent, energy and expertise ministry to the glory of God. Thank you for all your help, love, prayers and generous time you have so freely given the ministry of our Lord at St. Alban's.

To start off the New Year, we will have a special presentation by our youth. On the Second Sunday of Christmas, January 4th, our youth will present "The Friendly Beast" at the 10:30 Eucharist. This will indeed be a delight and will take the place of our sermon at that Eucharist. Following the 10:30 Eucharist we will join in fellowship in the Parish Hall to have a fajita lunch to anticipate Epiphany which falls on Tuesday, January 6th. There will be a 6:00 p.m. Eucharist that evening. I hope our 8:00 am and 5:30 pm attendees will join us in this all parish event. It will be a great time for fellowship and fun. Perhaps it is a time to meet and learn about someone in the parish you do not already know.

On January 11th we have the feast day of the Baptism of Our Lord. As we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord, perhaps we can make a new year's resolution to live out more fully the baptismal vows we reaffirm during this service. How is God calling us to more fully live out our life in Christ? Perhaps He is calling us to a more active role in a ministry. Perhaps He is calling us to more involvement in making disciples for Christ. Perhaps He is calling us to learn a deeper meaning of His Word. We will have two baptisms

this day at the 10:30 Eucharist. It is always a blessing and a joyous event to see our children brought to Christ and given God's grace to live a life surrendered to Him--the gift of all life.

On January 25th we will have our Annual Parish Meeting. We will have one Eucharist this day at 9:00 a.m. Sitters will be available for our very young members and there will be other activities for our youth in the parish. If you have not turned in your pledge card for 2009, let me encourage you to do so today. Our budget will be presented and our level of ministry is dependant upon you and your generous commitment to God and his ministry at St. Alban's. We have had numerous changes and improvements take place in our facility and in our ministry. I hope you will be present for this important business meeting of our parish.

Repairs to our physical plant of St. Alban's are almost complete. The narthex floor has been finished. The narthex ceiling has been repaired and painted. Our new roofs have been installed and the punch list is getting shorter. Our stained glass windows have been fixed, but we still have the rose window yet to be taken down and repaired. Heating and air conditioning units that were damaged have been replaced or repaired as the case demanded. These projects were initiated because of hail damage to our building last March.

As far as our capital campaign, our new phone system has been installed and is a great improvement. Our new heating and air conditioning system for the Church is completed. Our new lighting system is installed, and we are waiting for the arrival of the new pendant lights to complete this project. Painting of the outside of the Church buildings is almost complete with its new palate of colors. Debt has been reduced this year. Refurbishing our old pews or purchasing new ones is being investigated as well as looking at progressive stages of remodeling for a new parish hall. An unexpected repair has come to our attention that may have to be included in the capital campaign. The water pipe that runs along the north side of the building and feeds the Church with water is failing. It may have to be dug by hand in order not to disturb other pipes and landscape and be replaced. All these improvement have been made because of your generous giving to update and make our physical plant more welcoming through our capital campaign.

We have two other projects in the works. The Marsee Memorial Garden has been started. The infrastructure is being laid, gas and water pipes moved and the dirt is being pushed around for the forms for sidewalks and brick walls. Please continue to use the first

glass door to the east, by the office conference room, if you park at Northbridge. Completion date for this first phase of the Marsee Memorial Garden is in April. Also, our new case for the organ is being built at this time. A date for installing the case has not been set but we know it will be soon. New ranks of pipes have been ordered and will be installed in the new case when they arrive.

2009 is here and holds hope and possibilities. Yes, there are many things that may occupy our thoughts at this time. The economy, our employment, our quality of life and what the political change will bring are all in our thoughts. Our health, our families, our hope and dreams occupy and create a tension between reality and fears. But God is good and will be present with us. May He bless us. May He keep us. May He be gracious unto us. A new year is upon us. We should not forget that even a New Year's resolution cannot be kept without God's most generous gift of grace. May our 2009 be full of faith, growth and commitment to our Lord.

God Bless and Keep You!
Fr. K+



Announcements and Coming Events

Volunteers in St. Alban's Bookstore and Gift Shop will be busy in early January packing away Christmas items and working on the annual inventory. The Bookstore will be open as usual on Sunday mornings between services and will return to regular weekday hours on Tuesday, January 13.

We wish to thank our parishioners for their support during 2008 and especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. The Bookstore is an outreach ministry of St. Alban's, and your purchases allow us to donate to various charities in our community. If you would like to consider volunteering in the Bookstore, please drop by and we will be glad to visit with you. Volunteering even as an occasional substitute would be most appreciated. Thank you!

Monday Book Club: The Monday Book Club will resume on January 5th with a new book. We will listen to the audio version of Anne Rice's *Christ the Lord: Road to Cana* and discuss. Mass begins on Mondays at 10am in the chapel and the Book Club continues after that in Room 10 until noon.

In Lent, we will turn to Henry VIII's book, Defence of the Seven Sacraments, for which he earned the title "Defender of the Faith."

Youth Group: The Youth Group (teenagers) will meet every Wednesday night, from 6:30pm – 8:00pm in Room 12. Snacks will be provided.

Canterbury Ministry for the UTA community and all young adults is meeting at 7pm every Sunday in the Canterbury House at the corner of S. Davis and Fourth Street for "Christianity 101." All are welcome. Dinner is provided. Our website is utacanterbury.blogspot.com.

Daughters of the King – St. Teresa of Avila Chapter is a prayer and service group of women at St. Alban's. We have been active for about two years. All members are enthusiastic about their calling. We meet on the second Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the conference room. You are invited to visit our meeting anytime.

Our services, at present, include keeping white vestments clean and a prayer shawl ministry. A new activity that we are beginning is the Encouragement Card. You will find in the pews a blue card for you to send a message of encouragement to someone in the church. Just put your card in the alms basin and we will send it on. Thanks to Peggy Pate and Sara Beall for this new ministry. —Gloria Lawley, President.

Anticipating Epiphany: Join us for an "Anticipating Epiphany" luncheon, January 4th at noon, following the 10:30 service.

From the Curate: "Showers of Blessing"

Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way which he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:19-22

On January 11th we will celebrate the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord by bringing new souls into the Body of Christ. We will give thanks that we are “baptized into Christ’s name”, and pray that we all might keep our baptismal covenant. On that Sunday we will also begin our 10:30 am Eucharist with a traditional ceremony, called the Asperges or “Sprinkling Rite.” Asperges is simply Latin for “you will sprinkle.” In this ritual the celebrant sprinkles the altar, church, and people with holy water. By this ancient ceremony we cleanse our church and ourselves as we prepare to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. This ceremony is also a reminder that it is only because of our baptism, our adoption as sons and daughters of God, that we are able to join in offering the Holy Eucharist.

Since we are physical people, our God comes to us in physical ways: ashes, oil, bread, water, and wine. Just as on Ash Wednesday we received ashes on our foreheads as a symbol of our mortality and sinfulness, so we receive this sprinkling of blessed water to remind us of the grace and forgiveness of Holy Baptism. It also reminds us that we are constantly breaking our baptismal promise to renounce Satan, to follow Christ, and to seek and serve Christ in all persons, and that we are constantly in need of forgiveness and grace. This ceremony is most definitely in your face, or rather, on your face. Fr. Richard Major, writing about the different parts of the mass, writes of this ceremony: “No one could call it subtle, and it is not meant to be. We are called to attention by having cold water flicked in our faces. With that flamboyant and good-humored gesture of assurance, the Church shows her children that they are going to be forgiven, once more, of all we have done ill, once more.” It is for this same reason that we have a holy water font at the entrance of our church, except that in the Asperges we are reminded that the grace of Holy Baptism and the grace of forgiveness is not something we grab for ourselves, but rather something that is showered down upon us from God.

On January 11th, and any other time outside of Easter when this ceremony is done, we hear the words of Psalm 51 sung by the choir, recalling how our souls were made whiter than snow through the saving waters of baptism: “Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Have mercy upon me, O God: after thy great goodness. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Thou shalt purge me...”

We will also use this ceremony before our 10:30am masses during the Easter Season. When this ceremony is used in Easter Season it is accompanied by a different piece of music. The Easter text, taken from Ezekiel 47 and Psalm 118, is joyful and festive and reminds us of Jesus' words, when speaking of his body, "Destroy this temple and I will raise it up in three days." It is through the water and blood that flowed from Jesus' pierced side that we receive forgiveness and healing. Thus, in the Easter Season we rejoice that from God's holy temple, his only son, we receive the waters of baptism, the water of healing and forgiveness, as we hear these words:

"I saw water, proceeding out of the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia: and all they to whom that water came were healed every one; and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. I saw water..."

After the water is sprinkled, the celebrant will kneel at the altar and pray that God will send his holy angel, from Heaven, to guard and watch over us as we worship in his holy temple. Then we will continue mass as usual, but we will continue in the confidence that God has joined us to himself by the waters of Holy Baptism and that he is always ready to rain down grace upon us, and to take our souls, dirtied by sin, and sprinkle them clean.

Fr. Duncan+



Note From the Editor

Happy New Year! 2008 was a year of joy and sadness, of great adventures and devastating heartache, tragedy has struck many of us but at the same time new life and healing have come in many forms. As we enter into 2009, we will surely encounter new adventures with faith in the Lord to guide us. I look forward to another great year as your newsletter editor.

Thank you for the positive feedback and suggestions. Again, suggestions and feedback via email to newsletter@saintalbans.org are always welcome.

The Legate will continue its makeover in the next few months, so keep your eyes peeled for new developments. As always, the newsletter is viewable as a PDF on the St. Alban's website.

Yours in Christ,
Anna Sparkman — Editor



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- Submission Deadline is the **13th of the month** prior to publication. New submissions will not be accepted after this date.
- Deadline for corrections and updates should be submitted no later than the 20th of the month prior to publication.
- Please be aware that images containing text will not be included if the text is unreadable at a small size.
- I will not accept PDF files to be included. If you would like to submit a flyer, please send it in MS Word format (.doc, .docx), and include images as a separate file.
- Please refrain from using all caps.

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Music Corner

Tales From The Loft:

Since we began signing contracts for the second phase of our Organ Project, we have not had to sign one with a 10% added surcharge. This is because Ross has not begun installation. That is one positive element. Of course, the negative factor is that so far there is no difference in our instrument even though we have collected \$96,860. since April, 2007 when the first phase was completed. We have signed 7 contracts and have finished collecting

the money for the Blockflute 2'. This completes the flute chorus. We also can sign a contract for the Larigot 1 1/3' stop. This was paid for by Peter Ots in August of 2002. We have already signed a contract for the stop that Jeanine Ford paid for in January of 2003. If you are interested in buying a stop, call me, as there are many remaining stops ranging in price from \$272. to \$12,065. Something for everyone. The more contracts we can sign before installation begins the more money we are actually saving by not having to pay a surcharge. Right now we are collecting the funds for the Tierce 1 3/5' costing \$5,511.

Charlene Polivka Dorsey
Organist Emerita



Christian Education Calendar

Jan 4 — 10:30 Service — Children's Christmas Pageant
Jan 11 — Classes meet
Jan 18 — Classes meet
Jan 25 — Classes do not meet, Annual Meeting immediately following the 9:00am Service. Children's Activity during the meeting

Sunday School Corner

God is against the proud, but he gives grace to the humble. James 4:6

As we journey through the season of Christmas toward Epiphany, I am thoughtful of the wise men in our nativity scene. I paused to do a word study on wise: alert, perceptive, knowing, discerning, and the word, humble: modest, meek, unassuming, lowly, unpretentious, on bended knee.

Several years ago, as a young(er!) mother and as a teaching tool for Advent, I began making our nativity scene 'living'; a progressive display that changed through the seasons. It begins empty. For example, until Christmas Eve, there is no baby Jesus in the manger, and the Wise Men don't arrive until Epiphany. The artist created

the ones we have with postures mostly bent, stooped, or on bended knee.

I've read in *The Applause of Heaven* that when visiting the small cathedral outside of Bethlehem, the supposed birthplace of Jesus, you can enter to view the ancient church, but to enter the quiet cave behind the high altar where a star embedded in the floor recognizes the birth of the King, one has to stoop because the door is so low you cannot go in standing up. Max Lucado continues, "to witness the Savior, you have to get down on your knees". That makes me think of the Wise Men in our nativity scene. We have another ornament that reads: "Wise Men Still Seek Him". That causes me to ponder those adjectives again...

Happy New Year 2009! May it find us once again, bent, to seek our Savior, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Many thanks to those who helped with the Christmas pageant: Vicki Keller, Richard Stolley, Dorinda White, parents, and students who performed. We are always blessed with your shared gifts of music and theatre.

Our CE classes, listed in the Sunday bulletins, continue into the New Year. We hope you will join us for this blessed time of fellowship and seeking together, and really getting to know one another. Adults, Youth, and Children are all welcome at any time. We are thankful for our Sunday morning volunteers: Reagan White, Doug Hosea, Vincent Go, Ada Eigbobo, Gretchen Hosea, Cathy Souders, Ginger Capaccioli, Grant Mathews, Sara Beall, Bettina Go, and Jeannette Hamilton who continue to faithfully pass on the faith through the ministry of Christian Education. We do need an additional volunteer in High School and 4th-6th grades. Sharing the responsibility is more fun! Will you agree to help, please? Again, thank you for your prayers for the ministry of Christian Education.

Warmly yours in Christ,
Susie Wheaton
Christian Education Coordinator





First Communion

Marsee Memorial Garden

By the time you read this we will have finally broken ground for the Memorial Garden and construction will be under way. The contract is signed for \$70,000 and we have \$73,257.53 in the account as of the end of October. We will need an additional \$25,000 to \$30,000 to complete the Memorial Garden which will cover the iron fencing and gate, lighting and all of the plants and trees. Please consider making a donation in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for God's blessings in your life. The rendering is in the Narthex - - this will be an inspiring and functional addition to St. Alban's.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to make this a reality. Donations should be sent to the church designated for the Marsee Memorial Garden. Call Judy Marsee, 817 469-7596, with any questions.

Saints for January

- 1 The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ
- 6 The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ**
- 10 William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645
- 13 Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367
- 17 Antony, Abbot in Egypt, 356
- 18 The Confession of Saint Peter the Apostle
- 19 Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095
- 20 Fabian, Bishop and Martyr of Rome, 250
- 21 Agnes, Martyr at Rome, 304
- 22 Vincent, Deacon of Saragossa, and Martyr, 304
- 23 Phillips Brooks, Bishop of Massachusetts, 1893
- 25 The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle
- 26 Timothy and Titus, Companions of Saint Paul
- 27 John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, 407
- 28 Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Friar, 1274

Agnus Day



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Sunday Scripture Readings for January

Jan. 4 — The Second Sunday after Christmas

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Psalm 84:1-8

Matthew 2:1-12

Jan. 11 — The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 42:1-9

Acts 10:34-38

Psalm 89:20-29

Mark 1:7-11

Jan. 18 — The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-10

1 Corinthians 6:11b-20

Psalm 63:1-8

John 1:43-51

Jan. 25 — The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 3:21-4:2

1 Corinthians 7:17-23

Psalm 130

Mark 1:14-20



Youth and Young Adults

20s & 30s Ministry:

Caritas had a wonderful time at our holiday party at the Huffstetter home. We also have some exciting events lined up for the New Year, including a group game night, and a movie/pizza/discussion night (for lack of a better title). If you're interested in being put on our Caritas email list, please email me at frduncan@saintalbans.org.

Youth Groups:

Teenage Youth Group: Our Teenage Youth Group has had a busy month of December, with an outing to Alley Cats for bowling and laser tag, and a mission project at Union Gospel Mission. At the mission the Youth Group served lunch to 75-80 people, sorted through bags & bags of donations. Also, thanks to your generosity, we were able to purchase 100 disposable razors, 24 sticks of deodorant, 10 board games, and 16 children's dvd's for the residents of the mission. Volunteering at the mission was a wonderful experience for everyone involved, and we're already thinking about our next trip.

One exciting Diocesan event that our teenagers have coming soon is the annual 'Bishop's Ball' which will be Saturday, Jan. 10th. The ball will be held at St. Vincent's Cathedral, in Bedford, and will last from 7:00pm to 10:00pm. There'll be dancing, snacks, sodas, and a lot of our friends from across the diocese. For the low admission price of \$5 and 1 canned food item you can come and join Bishop Iker in dancing the night away! See me if you're interested. Also, if you'd like to be put on our Youth Group 'text list', just text or call me at 817-475-6909.

Junior Youth Group: Our Junior Youth Group has also been very active this past December, with our "Weekend of Advent Celebration and Service" on December 20th and 21st. That Saturday our Junior Youth Group came and helped with the Parish Advent Project, benefitting many of the people of our community. That next day their voices brought joy to the residents of Arlington Villa, as we sang carols through their halls. We ended our outing with a trip to see the lights in Interlochen. Keep your eyes and ears open for future Junior Youth Group Events!

Fr. Duncan+

*Youth Group
serving lunch
with other
volunteers at
the Mission*



*Youth Group
sorting
donations
at the Union
Gospel Mission*



Your STAR Business could Be listed here!

The Legate now includes a special advertising section for parishioner and non-parishioner businesses. Whether you have a couple of lines of text or an interesting graphic or logo, we would love to advertise it! Donations are welcomed but not required and will be used to offset the cost of print and postage for The Legate. Please contact newsletter@saintalban.org for more information. Submissions for advertisements follow the same deadlines as article submissions.



*Making wreaths
for our Family
Advent Project.*



Thanksgivings

A few months ago, Deacon Nancy Weaver suggested in a sermon that in addition to prayer requests, perhaps the *Legate* should include thanksgivings for answered prayers. We are now including such a section. Please email thanksgivings to newsletter@saintalbans.org and we will be happy to publish them.

Susie Wheaton is thankful for God's answered prayer for help and support through Carol Tieman's special ministry on behalf of Christian Education, for our Sunday morning teachers and helpers: Reagan, Sara, Jeannette, Bettina, Cathy, Ginger, Ada, Gretchen, Doug, and Vincent. For support and fellowship in prayer with the family and friends of SAEC, for our children's shared gifts of music and participation in the Christmas pageant, and for Vicki Keller, Richard Stolley, and Dorinda White's shared gifts in ministry with these children.

Be sure to send in your thanksgivings!

A Guide for Giving

Annual Income	Weekly Income	Tithe	Upper Range of Giving				Middle Range of Giving			Lower Range of Giving		
		10%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%	
\$25,000	\$481	\$48	\$43	\$38	\$34	\$29	\$24	\$19	\$14	\$10	\$5	
\$30,000	\$577	\$58	\$52	\$46	\$40	\$35	\$29	\$23	\$17	\$12	\$6	
\$40,000	\$769	\$77	\$69	\$62	\$54	\$46	\$38	\$31	\$23	\$15	\$8	
\$50,000	\$962	\$96	\$87	\$77	\$67	\$58	\$48	\$38	\$29	\$19	\$10	
\$60,000	\$1,154	\$115	\$104	\$92	\$81	\$69	\$58	\$46	\$35	\$23	\$12	
\$70,000	\$1,346	\$135	\$121	\$108	\$94	\$81	\$67	\$54	\$40	\$27	\$13	
\$80,000	\$1,538	\$154	\$138	\$123	\$108	\$92	\$77	\$62	\$46	\$31	\$15	
\$90,000	\$1,731	\$173	\$156	\$138	\$121	\$104	\$87	\$69	\$52	\$35	\$17	
\$100,000	\$1,923	\$192	\$173	\$154	\$135	\$115	\$96	\$77	\$58	\$38	\$19	
\$110,000	\$2,115	\$212	\$190	\$169	\$148	\$127	\$106	\$85	\$63	\$42	\$21	
\$120,000	\$2,308	\$231	\$208	\$185	\$162	\$138	\$115	\$92	\$69	\$46	\$23	
\$140,000	\$2,692	\$269	\$242	\$215	\$188	\$162	\$135	\$108	\$81	\$54	\$27	

Participation Statistics in our Parish

		<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>
Average Sunday	2007	311	263	267
Attendance	2008	271	266	280

		<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>
Financial	Sept.	\$45,506	\$35,700
Giving for	Oct.	\$39,748	\$31,812
2008	Nov.	\$49,570	\$52,538

Resources for Church News

It is very important for all Christians to know what is going on in their church. As it can sometimes be confusing to sort through all of the information available, the following is a list of resources, magazines and blogs that should be of help. This list is sorted alphabetically and is intended for informational purposes only. The vestry, clergy, and staff of St. Alban's do not officially endorse any views held by the organizations on this list.

Also, if you can think of a resource that should be included on this list please contact me at newsletter@saintalbans.org and I will be happy to consider including it. Please note that personal blogs (ie: one author) are generally not included with the exception of local clergy, and must contain clean language.

News

Anglican Communion News Service:

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/acns>

Anglican TV: <http://www.anglicantv.org/blog>

BBC: <http://news.bbc.co.uk>

Church Websites

Anglican Communion:

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org>

Diocese of Ft. Worth:

<http://www.fwepiscopal.org>

St. Alban's: <http://www.saintalbans.org>

Organizations

Anglican Communion Network

<http://www.acn-us.org>

GAFCon: <http://www.gafcon.org>

Remain Faithful:

<https://www.remainfaithful.org>

Magazines

Christian Challenge:

<http://www.challengeonline.org>

The Living Church:

<http://www.livingchurch.org>

Blogs

Canon Heidt (Transfiguration):

<http://fatherjohnheidt.blogspot.com>

EpiScope: <http://episcopalchurch.typepad.com/episcope>

Fr. Matkin: <http://timotheosprologizes.blogspot.com>

GAFCon Photoblog:

<http://gafconphotoblog.blogspot.com>

Stand Firm: <http://www.standfirminfaith.com>

Titus 1:9: <http://www.kendallharmon.net/t19>

Sowing Seeds

Our team for 2008, 2009 has been assembled, though we will always look forward to welcome new participants. Please reference work schedule below for your information.

You may either e-mail your particular task request to “Sowing-Seeds@saintalbans.org” or simply call the Church office and request to be contacted by sowing seeds.

Please make sure to include:

Your name.

Home address.

Home phone #.

Cell phone # (if any).

Brief description of task(s) you need help with.

A member of our team will contact you to obtain more information regarding your request.

Sat., Jan. 10, 2009. SCHEDULED.

Sat., Feb. 07, 2009. SCHEDULED.

Sat., Mar. 07, 2009. OPEN.

Sat., Apr. 04, 2009, OPEN.

Sat., May. 02, 2009, OPEN.

Sat., Jun. 06, 2009, OPEN.

Sat., Jul. 11, 2009, Summer vacations (no work to be scheduled).

Sat., Aug. 01, 2009, OPEN.

January Anniversaries

5 Brad & Shannon Warmann

6 Don & Jane Bush

13 Mike & Suzanne Franke

21 Don & Cristy Duke

21 Father Jonathan & Elizabeth Duncan

26 Ben & Anna Lou Nix

January Birthdays

1 Raymond Bommer	10 Del Menger	18 Ann Cavender
1 Melody Hinton	10 Betty Rhea	18 Jim Swann
1 Sam Long	11 Betty Meek	18 Jack Gorman
2 George Kane	11 Conner Wichterich	20 Martha Milhime
3 Jackson Hosea	12 Iris Cappleman	21 Sean Sparkman
3 Sara Boland-Taylor	13 Tom Lawley	22 Ada Eigbobo
5 Carol Tieman	14 Will DeShone	23 Jules Cromarty
5 Martha Lightner	14 Carolyn Newby	23 George Sparkman
7 Lynnette Romero	15 Jack Harris	24 Ben Doerge
8 Joe Lundy	15 Hilde Williams	25 Linda Molina
9 Christopher Chamberlain	16 Kathryn Vatzlavick	26 Vanessa Go
9 Benjamin Grogan	16 Raymond Klutz	31 Ginger Capaccioli
9 Jack Stewart	16 Joy Watkins	

Intercessions

First names will be listed for a three month period and then automatically dropped off. In order to continue prayers for everyone who needs them, you will need to fill out the yellow card in the pews.

Jim	Mark	Theresa
Scott	Matthew	Polly
Jane	Diane	Randy & Pat
Robert	Carl	John
Victoria	Lois	Bill & Oma
Evelyn	Julie	Betty
Hedy	William	Jeanne
Jack & Jeanne	Dan	Vicki
Frank	Linda	Kaitlyn
John & Gina	Graciela	Jeff
Philip	Jade	Stephanie
Renato	Betty	Melanie
Sandra & Don	Gary	James
Everitt	Richard	Bonnie
Deborah	Jonathan	Jean
Paul	Todd	Lillian
Edna	Michael	Angela
Jean	Mark	Mary
Ciara	Bobbye	Judy
Julio	Donald	Gary & Cindy
Margarette	Phil	Scarlett
Michael	Shirley	Josephine

Dillin	Emma	Jim
Sean	Caroline & Jim	Jon
Lynnette	John	Susan
Helen	Julie	Jennie
Gaither	Christopher	Tye
Fr. K	Ralph	Sue
Mae	Wanda	Anna
Jon	Gilma	David
Rachelle	John & Judy	Janet
Iris	Linda	Harvey
Bill	Shirley	Linda
Bud	Nathius	Rachel
Carol	Julie	Sherron
Tiffany	Crystal	James & Felicity
Georgann	Scott	Eddie
Rachel	John	Danny
Nancy	Mona	Theresa
Annie & Eric	Elizabeth	Nelda
Rachel & John	Cooper	Carol
James	Tricia	Marilyn
Laura	Sandy	Bryan
Susan	Marilyn	Ann
Gene	Barbara	Chrysta
Dean	Joan	Margaret
Tim	Nell	Madeline
Robert	Dan	Sloane
Jeanette	Patty	
Pete	Steve & Diane	

Our Military

Pray for the Military of the United States, especially those listed below:

Michael Root USArmy
 Aaron Haggard USArmy
 Joe Douglass USMC
 Cole Hatton USNavy
 Jeremiah Johnson USArmy
 Dustin Hanson USAF
 Chris Lamb USMC
 Justin Grimes USMC
 Bruce Holland USArmy
 Robert Lundy USAF
 Chris La Valley USArmy
 Chris Naler USMC

Josh Pierce USArmy
 Michael Hetrick USArmy
 Jordan Granberry USMC
 Charles Reed USArmy
 Hank Skorija USAR
 Brett Meadows USAF
 Dr. Shawn Garcia USNavy
 Tim Hartman USAF
 Will Meek USArmy
 Geoffrey Miera USArmy
 Randy Tindle USAF
 Anthony Lovato USArmy

Greeter Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>
Jan 4	D. Dorsey/R. Allen	S. & R. Altman	J. Howard
Jan 11	R. & M. J. Fausneaucht	A. Hagan	D. Mullins
Jan 18	M. Mathis/B. Ferbend	J. Short/P. Capehart	T. Gilmore
Jan 25 9:00am service	E. Momah		

Usher Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>
Jan 4	Don Dorsey Richard Allen	John Berry Jim Meek Rick Coombs Darrel Glidewell	Jerri Howard
Jan 11	Ray Fausneaucht Mary Jane Fausneaucht	Sean Sparkman Marilyn Huff Darin Cyphers George Roark	David Mullins
Jan 18	Mel Mathis Bob Ferbend	Chris Chamberlain Bud Fritz Bill Welling Julio Welling	Theresa Gilmore
Jan 25 9:00am service	Jim Swann Will DeShone Nick Garefalos Donald Garefalos		

Parish Register

Transfers out: Cristen, Olivia and Meghan Williams to St. Michael & All Angels, Dallas

Births: Madeline Grace Matkin, 11-08-08, daughter of Father Timothy & Melisa Matkin

Deaths: Lelia Winans Mosig, 11-28-08

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Sunday Worship

Morning Prayer and the Holy Eucharist (said)	8:00 a.m.
The Holy Eucharist (sung)	10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer and the Holy Eucharist (said)	5:30 p.m.

Weekday Liturgies

Mon - Fri	Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.
Monday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	9:30 a.m.
	Holy Hour, third Wednesday, Sept—May (Church)	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	6:30 a.m.
Saturday	Reconciliation (Confessional)	9:15 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist (Church)	10:00 a.m.
	Holy Rosary (Church)	11:00 a.m.

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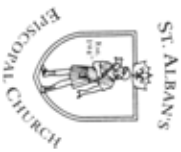
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