

Novena Prayer

All powerful God, whose mercy is never withheld, look kindly on all who have departed this life and number them among your saints for evermore.

It is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the cross, was raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Grant that all who have gone to their rest in Christ may share in the joy of his Resurrection.



[Pause to remember those included in the Holy Souls List kept near the altar, family, friends and colleagues who have died, and all the departed, especially those without anyone to pray for them.]

The Lord bless them and keep them.
The Lord make his face shine upon them and be gracious to them.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon them and give them peace.
Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen

The Memorare

Remember, O Blessed Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence we fly unto thee O Virgin of virgins our Mother, to thee we come, before thee we kneel, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate despise not our petitions but in thy mercy hear and answer them.

Prayer for Forgotten Souls

O merciful God, take pity on those souls who have no particular friends and intercessors to recommend them to Thee, who, either through the negligence of those who are alive, or through the length of time are forgotten by their friends and by all. Spare them, O Lord, and remember Thine own mercy, when others forget to appeal to it. Let not the souls which Thou hast created be parted from thee, their Creator. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



November Month of the Holy Souls

He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.

Revelation 21:4

Please return your Holy Souls list by **31 October** together with any offering you may wish to make. It will be placed near the Altar and those included will be prayed for throughout November, especially during the Novena and November Masses for the Holy Souls.

Names: _____

[illegible]

Please return this Holy Souls list to the presbytery by **31 October** together with any offering you wish to make towards the Masses for the Holy Souls. You can use the envelope provided or simply mark a plain envelope 'Holy Souls'.

**Parish of
St Alban & St Stephen**

November is traditionally a month of prayer for the Holy Souls when we pray for our deceased relatives and friends but remember too those who have no one to pray for them.

The Novena of Masses for the Holy Souls will run from the 2 to 10 November when the Novena Prayer will be recited at each Mass. **The Novena Prayer is printed on the back.** During the Month of November, there will be additional Masses for the Holy Souls.

Pope Leo XIV

'The Risen One has gone before us in the great trial of death, emerging victorious thanks to the power of divine Love... he has prepared for us the place of eternal rest, the home where we are awaited; he has given us the fullness of life in which there are no longer any shadows and contradictions.'

NOVENA OF MASSES
for the HOLY SOULS
to 10 November 2020

*At each Mass the
Novena Prayer will be said*

The following Holy Souls Masses will be offered with a particular intention. Further Masses for the Holy Souls will be offered during November.

Friday 6 November 7pm

For all who have died in the past year

Sunday 8 November 12 Noon

For those who have died in war

Wednesday 11 November 7pm

For deceased spouses

Thursday 12 November 10am

For the deceased victims of violence

Sunday 15 November 6pm

For deceased benefactors

Wednesday 18 November 7pm

For deceased brothers and sisters

Sunday 22 November 8am

For deceased children - sons & daughters

Sunday 22 November 6pm

For deceased parents and grandparents

Tuesday 24 November 10am

For deceased priests and religious