

# ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL

*Following Christ in Alban's Footsteps*

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21 May 2026

Dear Aaron

Warm greetings to you and the community of St Albans Episcopal Church, Waco, from the Chapter and community of St Albans Cathedral, the home of Britain's first saint and martyr.

Thank you for your wonderful letter and it is good to know how much you enjoyed your visit in 2023. I am pleased to read all about the history of your parish and your active service to your community.

Please be assured of our commitment to our ongoing prayer for, and partnership in ministry with, all those communities who bear the name of Alban across the world.

This year our Annual Alban pilgrimage falls on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. We have parish communities that make pilgrimage here from many places to join in these celebrations and, as you look to future years, we would welcome you to join us.

Next year 2027 is our 150<sup>th</sup> year of being a Cathedral and a Diocese. We have lots of exciting events planned to include our Alban Pilgrimage and a flower festival. We are hoping that many other St Albans Church communities might be able to join us for our Alban Day on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2027.

Meanwhile we wish you every joy and blessing in your celebrations of our patron saint on Sunday, 21 June and a wonderful day to celebrate your 80<sup>th</sup> year. Please pass on my, and our, community's greetings on the day of your celebrations and be assured that you will be in our prayers at that time.

Can I offer you the following prayer and blessing for your community and those celebrations:

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### Collect for Albantide

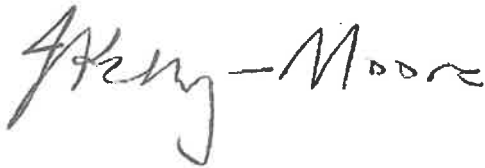
Holy God,  
we thank you for Alban, saint and martyr,  
who, professing his faith in you,  
in his life and to his death  
stood for the truth and justice  
of your kingdom.  
As we celebrate his witness,  
and bear his name,  
may we in our day  
be faithful and courageous witnesses to Christ,  
who is alive and reigns,  
now and forever. Amen.

### Blessing

God, grant you grace to follow Alban, and all the saints, in faith, hope, and love.  
and the blessing of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, be with you this day, and  
remain with you always. Amen.

Thank you again for being in touch Aaron.

In Christ and with warm regards



**The Very Reverend Jo Kelly-Moore**

Dean of St Albans

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