

Parish of St Alban, Martyr & St Mark the Evangelist, Southend

26 April 2026
4th Sunday Easter

We pray for the church around the world: Especially those who are persecuted for their faith. We pray for compassion and kindness, inclusion and love for all. We pray for all who have not yet let Jesus into their lives.

We pray for our world: All the casualties of war and conflict; victims of natural or manmade disasters; those who are living in poverty or under oppressive regimes; for all who have no safe place to live in. For the earth and all the damage done to it by humankind. For more empathy and compassion. For all who are caught up in war and conflict at this time. For those with the power to use their authority for the good of all people.

We pray for our local community:

[26: Clifton Terr, Milton Pl.] [27: Southend Care Bank; Milton Community Partnership and SAVS] [28: Barons court School, all who are home-schooled] [29: Other Faith Groups in the parish] [30: 10th Southend [St Mark's Own] [1: Hamlet Rd, Princes St] [2: Ashburnham Rd, Gordon Pl]

We pray for all on our long-term list.

Prayers for all sick in hospitals, hospices, care homes and at home. For those who are caring for them. For all sick or in need: Margaret, Mark, Terry, Valerie, Tony, Kat, Judith, Rosetta, Jean Wren, Diana, Sarah, Gabby, Ann and Terry, Gary, June and Sally Binks, Rosie, Clare, Corbin, Elizabeth, John Bulley, John Collier

Recently departed:

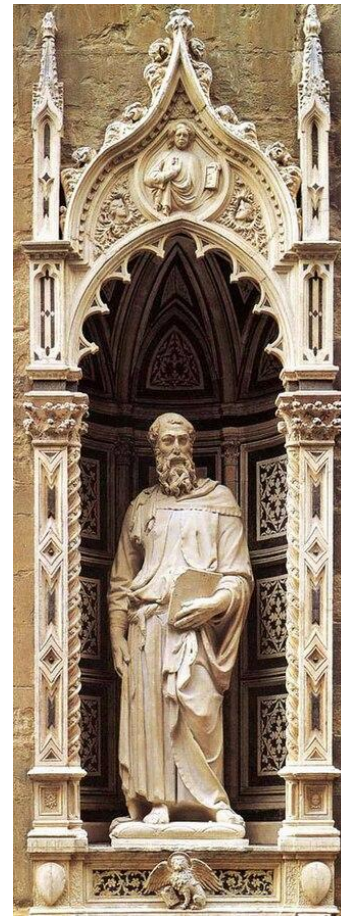
In Memoriam: April. Austin Read, Mark Patey, Walter Rouse, Hermon Achong, John Glendennan, Fanny Finchette, Kay Robertson, Steve Wilson Carol Golding, Ellen Rankin. **All who have died with no-one to pray for them.**

Notices: Monday : Morning Prayer at 9am,
Reflective Mass 1pm

Online Rosary for 100 Days of Prayer Mondays at 6pm

APCM 9th May 2pm at St Alban's

Wander & Wonder Ascension Day Walk and
Worship 14 May 1000



Donatello [1411-12] **St Mark** at Orsanmichele

Yesterday [25th April] was the Feast Day of St Mark, our patron saint. Here we see him depicted by the Renaissance sculptor as the patron saint of the medieval, Florentine, Guild of Linen Drapers. Why was St Mark their patron saint? Due to his role as one of the witnesses of the life of Jesus, he represented truth and honesty, literacy and record keeping. This is also the first Renaissance sculpture to appear. In contrast with the Gothic style, this is

much more naturalistic and differs from medieval works in the way that drapery is used, specifically in that St. Mark's figure is revealed by a realistic draping of linen, in honour of the guild.

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St Alban's Website: [Saint Alban the Martyr, Westcliff-on-Sea - A Church Near You](#)

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