

VOCATIONS CORNER

As part of our ongoing commitment to promote and encourage all vocations within our parish family, we present information each month to help develop our knowledge and understanding of each calling. This month, we celebrate All Souls' and All Saints' Day and we especially remember all of our loved ones who have died. We are all called to sainthood - to service to others in our every day lives. Pope Francis reminds us of the saints among us - those he calls, "the saints next door" - that we recognize the signs of holiness that the Lord shows through the humblest members of God's people (<https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2018/04/09/pope-francis-new-exhortation-jesus-wants-us-be-saints>) No one more is more fittingly a "saint among us" than Fr. Al, as we lovingly honour his memory and his commitment to the vocation of the priesthood for 63 years! He exemplified selflessness and sensitivity in every interaction and his gentle spirit had a way of touching your heart. In Fr. Al's parting message, he reminded us of the gifts of life and faith. We should all be so blest as to honour the gift of our own life and to have the faith to live it out, as fully as Fr. Al did! Rest now in His peace. We continue to pray for all of you in your vocations.

