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### St. Albans Customers Receive Substitute Van Service as Track Work Is Performed at Valley Stream on Sundays, August 7 & 14

Vans will replace train service for St. Albans customers on two Sundays, August 7 & 14, as the MTA Long Island Rail Road performs track work at Valley Stream. On Sunday, August 7 vans will shuttle St. Albans customers between Jamaica and St. Albans from 11AM through 9 PM; on Sunday, August 14 the vans transporting St. Albans customers will operate from 10 AM through 2 AM Monday morning (August 15). During these periods, the LIRR will be performing surfacing work in the major switching area that four of the LIRR branches operate through in Valley Stream. The work entails the realignment of track and switches on the western end of Valley Stream, resulting in a smoother ride and better service reliability.

#### St. Albans Customers – August 7 & August 14

##### Eastbound:

St. Albans customers traveling from western terminals to St. Albans will exit the train at Jamaica and board vans for St. Albans. Customers should expect an additional 17 minutes travel time.

Eastbound customers at St. Albans wishing to travel to Babylon Branch stations will board vans at St. Albans, 32 minutes later than normal, destined for Rockville Centre. At Rockville Centre, customers can transfer back to a train for the remainder of their trip. As a result, customers should anticipate 59 minutes additional travel time.

##### Westbound

Customers at St. Albans wishing to travel to Jamaica and LIRR western terminals will board vans, 13 minutes later than normal, destined for Jamaica. At Jamaica, customers can transfer to a train for travel to points west. Customers using the van service should expect an additional 30 minutes travel time.

Westbound customers traveling from Babylon Branch stations to St. Albans will remain on their train to Jamaica, where they will board an eastbound van for St. Albans. As a result, customers should anticipate 31 minutes additional travel time.

St. Albans customers are advised to pick up the special St. Albans Station timetable card for travel on Sundays, August 7 & 14.

St. Albans customers can also consult the LIRR's website at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) for train schedule information, or contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-5477 (718-217-LIRR). If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider or the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 718-217-5477.