

The CARDIFF ORATORY

ORATORY CHURCH of
SAINT ALBAN-*on-the-MOORS*



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CREDO IN UNUM DEUM

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| <p>SUNDAY 6th October 27th Sunday of the Year 17:00 Mass: Gareth Vidler, RIP 08:00 Mass: Holy Souls/E., RIP 10:00 Mass: Pro Populo 11:15 Mass: Prof. & Mrs. John Pathy, RIP 16:00 Second Vespers & Benediction</p> | <p>THURSDAY 10th October <i>St. Denis & Companions</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Kazio Marciniak, RIP 08:30 Oratory Morning Spiritual Exercises 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Colin Kingston, RIP 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p> |
| <p>MONDAY 7th October <i>Our Lady of the Rosary (Day of Prayer for Peace)</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Ewa & Piotr Glowacki, Anniv. 08:30 Oratory Morning Spiritual Exercises 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Jill Waddington, RIP 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p> | <p>FRIDAY 11th October <i>Pope St. John XXIII</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Ewa & Piotr Glowacki, Anniv. 08:30 Oratory Morning Spiritual Exercises 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Giselle Aghedo, B'day 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p> |
| <p>TUESDAY 8th October 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls 08:30 Oratory Morning Spiritual Exercises 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Gareth Vidler, RIP 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p> | <p>SATURDAY 12th October <i>Our Lady's Saturday</i> 08:00 Mass: Holy Souls/Ryszard, RIP 16:30 First Vespers 17:00 Mass (<i>Vigil</i>): Sr Mary Wilfred IC, RIP</p> |
| <p>WEDNESDAY 9th October <i>St. John Henry Newman</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Anthony O'Keefe, RIP 18:00 Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Confessions 19:00 Mass: Helen Hathaway, RIP</p> | <p>SUNDAY 13th October 28th Sunday of the Year 08:00 Mass: Holy Souls/Szymon Michon, B-day 10:00 Mass: Angelika Spiteri, RIP 11:15 Mass: Pro Populo 16:00 Second Vespers & Benediction</p> |

PRAYER REQUESTS for the SICK

The Fathers and Brothers pray each day for those entered on this list.

Summer Hutchinson, John Mongan, Johnnie Doherty, Patricia Yarwood, Teresa Jonker, Elizabeth Conway, Bernard Farrant, Summer Arnesen, Dianne, Laura, Jane, Lucy Iacobucci, Brooke, Mike, Hayden, Dave, Brook, Patrick Mongan, Dorotka Sookanadenchetty, Jason Benedito, Gareth Bowen, Ann Henry, Sarah, Claire Hawkey, Danielle Camilleri, Jane Morris, Jonathan Bowen, Anne Marie Bell, Karen, Maria Marshall, Jenny, Kingsley, Gareth Vaughan, Hannah Bird, Bernadette Horan, Mark, Michelle Price, Joseph Heron, Yvonne Murray, Patrick M., McGinley Family, Anna Maria & Carmella Tannorella, Rose Christina, Mark, Martin, Geoff, Billy Page, Alison, Kit Lewis, Phoebe, Paul, Ruth Pinder, Christian Babu, Olive Bowen, Paul Burns, Julie Cale, John Cowhey, Elle Fine, Sally Hiles, Jim & Doris Painter, Sharon Bradley, Nell Horan, James Hogg, Don James, Jennifer King, Shirley & Michael Kingston, E. Connors, Shelagh O'Donaghue, J. Pratt, J. Price, Beatrice Rajanayagam, Nia P-Jones, Elizabeth Sitole, Pamela, Daniel, Ellen Smith, Joseph Smith, Benjamin & Abigail Smith, Gareth & Ethan Woodberry, Shirley O'Leary, Jim Price, Bernard Mahoney, Margaret Tyler, Margaret O'Brien, Brenda Brooks.



CARDIFF ORATORY CONFESSION TIMES

Sundays: before & during all Masses | Weekdays: 9 am to 9:30 am

Since the time of St. Philip Neri, the Fathers of the Oratory have made themselves available for Confessions during daily Mass, as well as during Sunday Masses. Outside of these set times, there is a CONFSSIONAL BELL positioned in between the two Confessional Boxes in the Church. Ring to alert a Father. If available he will respond.

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VIGIL LAMPS

The ancient Catholic tradition of lighting vigil lamps in our churches and chapels is deeply significant and retains its importance for us today. If you would like to have one of the lamps burn for a loved one's anniversary or for some special intention or in thanksgiving please write the name on an envelope and drop it in the plate or the sacristy.

- **Blessed Sacrament:** Thomas, Kathleen, & children & grandchildren
 - **Sacred Heart Chapel:** Danielle & family Int.
 - **Divine Mercy Chapel:** Glowacki & Szczech Fam.
 - **The Lady Chapel:** For all the sick
- **Chantry Chapel of Our Lady:** For all the holy souls
- **The Pieta Chapel:** Judge Patrick Curran QC, RIP
 - **Our Lady of Walsingham:** Woolf, Int.
- **Shrine of St Joseph:** Thomas, Jeanie, Catherine, Michael, Christopher, & Richard
 - **Shrine of St Antony:** Lapsed of the Parish
 - **Shrine of St Alban:** Newly baptised

There are spaces in the diary for Candle Intentions. Reserving a vigil lamp is a beautiful way to remember your loved ones, living or deceased. For a donation of £4.50, to pay for the candle, your intention will be remembered by the whole Parish for one week.



Pope Francis asks that Monday 7th October, Feastday of Our Lady of the Rosary be a day of fasting and prayer for peace in the world throughout the whole Church. The Rosary will be prayed before Mass on Monday morning.

Councillor Jane Henshaw, RIP

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor of Cardiff



The Funeral Service for the late Cllr Jane Henshaw takes place on Monday at St Saviour's Anglican Church. His Grace the Archbishop has asked the Parish Priest, Fr Sebastian M. to represent him at the Service as an expression of the Archbishop's condolence and gratitude for Jane's commitment to her work as a councillor and Lord Mayor.

R.I.P



Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of

MRS BARBARA HURLEY, RIP

Whose Funeral will take place St Peter's Roath

Jesus Mercy + Mary Help



Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of

MR. STEFAN NAKLAKATO, RIP

Jesus Mercy + Mary Help



LATEST NEWS:

~Restoration Work~

"Parish Stewardship: *Our Task*"

Scaffolding has now been erected on Cameron Street to investigate and then repair the damage due to the lead flashing coming away from the south facing wall over the music room. They will also inspect the general area of the roof to look for signs of disintegration. You will appreciate that this is an unexpected development.



Fr Sebastian M and then after some sight-seeing all returned down the mountain for lunch and refreshments at the Skirrid Inn. The Men's Group meet monthly in the Parish Hall.



First there is the walking up the mountain...



Then praying the Rosary on the site of destroyed St Michael's Chapel on the mountain.



St ALBAN'S PARISH CHRISTMAS COACH TRIP TO BATH

SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER

Coach nearly full!

(£25 return)

Annual Men's Pilgrimage to St Michael's Mt. Abergavenny.

The Annual Oratory men's pilgrimage went very well. 17 in all turned up for it. After Mass followed by breakfast men, and father with sons, made the hike up the hill. It was a dry day and the views were spectacular as always, being able to see as north as Powys and as far south as the West Country. The holy Rosary was prayed, for all intentions led by



The obligatory photo, to prove we did it!



Then the walk down the Mountain...



Books **W**oof I **H**ave **R**ead

by Pippo

This week, I have been reading Volume 1 of *'Benedict XVI: A Life'*, by Peter Seewald, which covers Joseph Ratzinger's early life in Germany (he was born in 1927) through to the end of the Second Vatican Council in 1965.

This book is extremely readable, which came as something of a surprise to me, bearing in mind how much of his life Ratzinger spent engaged in profound (and invariably complex) theological issues. However, that is part of what made Ratzinger so special. He was not just one of the greatest theologians of the twentieth century; he was also a remarkably gifted teacher who was able to attract ordinary people and to hold his audiences enthralled.

This work is not only fascinating because of the insights it gives into the life of Ratzinger the man; it also provides detailed, first-hand accounts of his personal experiences growing up in Nazi Germany; living and working amidst the devastation of post-war Germany; and then his work with the Second Vatican Council.

Indeed, this book shines a light (almost unavoidably, perhaps) upon the work and workings of the Council, and does much to spell out what it did and what it did not do. In the process, it dispels several misconceptions which have grown up around the Council since it closed in 1965. For example, whilst the Council took the

far-reaching step of permitting the use of the vernacular in the liturgy, nothing which the Council said or did made the use of the vernacular compulsory, nor did it somehow abolish the Traditional Latin Mass. These are myths. Having thoroughly enjoyed the first volume, I look forward to reading the concluding part next week.

BRO. ILLTYD WRITES...

It has been another fruitful week in Seminary. It started with a trip to Killarney Provincial Park. We left after our Friday lecture to reach Holy Trinity Church, Britt, where we camped for the night. The parish priest, Fr. Neil Campbell, is originally from Scotland, so was happy to have another British person join him in Britt. After Vespers we set up the campfire, then indulged in the American traditions of roasting marshmallows and singing songs. I tried to teach the others *Sospan fach* and *Oes gafr eto*, we shall see if we can join the Toronto Male Voice choir, if there is such a thing.



After an early start with Matins, Lauds and Mass, we set off to Killarney. It was here that we started the day's activity, climbing Silver Peak. The Mountain gets its name from the fact that its peak, silver quartzite rock stands above the tree covered incline. However, to reach the base of the mountain we had to canoe 1.5km across Bell lake. Once we reached the other side, the assault on the mountain began. Even though it is not as tall as many of the mountains in Wales, (it is only another 200m taller than the Skirrid which the men's group did last Saturday) it was a tricky climb as some of the smooth rocks made it difficult to grip.



After a gruelling 5km hike, we made it to the top of Silver Peak. With the weather being so lovely, we could see for miles around. At the top we prayed midday prayer, the rosary and Fr Thomas Trottier preached on the Canticle of the Sun, a prayer composed by St. Francis of Assisi. After spending an hour on top of the mountain, we made our way back down to canoe across the lake and return to Britt for some well-deserved pizza.



This week I have four assignments; one on how Faith and the intellect work together, an essay on the theology of marriage as shown in the book of Tobit, a practice homily on Our Lady of the Rosary, and a Canon Law case study.



BOOK EARLY for MASS INTENTIONS for 2025

If you have a special family anniversary you wish to have Mass offered for in 2025 and want a Mass that day **please book early** to avoid disappointment. There are only 52 Sundays, vigils etc. Thank you.



St Alban's Sewing & Crafting Group

Meet in St Alban's Hall.

October: 1st & 15th; November: 5th & 19th December: 3rd & 17th January: 7th & 21st

Contact Louise:
07817 825 343

Know your Catholic Faith.



ST ALBAN'S PIETY STALL

The piety stall has new stock of statues, medals, scapulars, holy water bottles etc., Christmas cards will go on sale at the end of October. Please do support the piety stall. When you purchase something you are supporting the training of Priests for The Cardiff Oratory.



Ladies of the Little Oratory

The Ladies of the Oratory are a sorority of practising Catholic laywomen (18+) supported by the Oratory Fathers to live a virtuous life as daughters, sisters, wives and mothers of

families. Each woman is supported by a simple rule of life, occasional social events and spiritual direction. They may borrow books from the extensive Oratory Father's Library. They are encouraged to attend Mass regularly and Confession monthly and pray the rosary daily. They are also encouraged to give practical or spiritual assistance in the Oratory Parish when required. Please speak to Fr Sebastian for details.

amongst us; The Liturgy is the Burning Bush; it is the alliance of God with man in Jesus Christ, Who has died and risen again. The grandeur of the Liturgy does not rest upon the fact that it offers an interesting entertainment, but in rendering tangible the totally *Other*, Whom we are not capable of summoning. The essential in the Liturgy is the Mystery, which is realized in the common ritual of the Church; all the rest diminishes it. Men experiment with it in lively fashion, and find themselves deceived, when the Mystery is transformed into distraction, when the chief actor in the liturgy is not the Living God, but the priest or the liturgical director."

(Pope Benedict XVI)

SUNDAY 11:15AM "BRING AND SHARE"

2nd & 3rd Sundays of the Month

Teas and coffees will resume being served after the 11:15am Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. The "bring and share initiative" for those who wish to contribute a plate of food to share around also resumes.

100 Club Winners

1st - Alan Edwards N. 30

2nd - Joyce Picton N. 123

3rd - M Healey, RIP N. 40

Why not join: Only £1 a month.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION MONDAY - FRIDAY

Mon-Fri 9:00 - 9:25 Wed. 6:00-6:55pm

"The Sacred Liturgy is not a festivity; it is not a meeting for the purpose of having a good time. The liturgy is what makes the Thrice-Holy God present

POLITE NOTICE

Please would parents (and adults themselves) put "house rules" in place for smart phone

use during Mass. Some parishioners find it disrespectful and distracting when those in front or besides them are continually texting or watching items on their smartphones. Thank you.



A SHORT ACT OF CONTRITION

O My God, because You are so good,
I am very sorry I have sinned against You
and by the help of Your Grace,
I will not sin again.

AMEN.

ST ALBAN'S 10am PARISH CHOIR

The 10am Parish Choir practices in the Parish Hall Sunday mornings at 9:00am. Why not join?

A COUNTRY & WESTERN AFTERNOON TEA

In Aid of the **SAMBURU EYE CLINIC**

On Sunday 27th October 3:00pm - 5:00pm
at The Secret Shed, Beulah Rd., Rhiwbina
CF14 6LT

In Memory of Eileen Christine



Fr Sebastian's sisters, Alison and Helen are organising this Autumn event to raise awareness and vital funds for the Samburu Trust's Eye Clinic which was so close to their late mother Eileen Christine's heart. There will be live music and an abundance of tea and savouries and cakes. Eye Surgeon Mr Dan Morris is a St Alban's parishioner and establishes field hospitals as well as the Clinic during his visits to Kenya. **Tickets £25.**



SAMBURU TRUST KENYA

The Samburu Trust was founded in 1992 to empower the Samburu people to protect, preserve and enhance their ancient way of life in Kenya. The trust works in six key areas: health, education, women, water, wildlife and security:

Health
Over 25 years the Trust's eye project has eradicated Trachoma (the leading cause of blindness in the developing world) in our area of Northern Kenya. We use a combination of tribal treatments and modern medicine to save lives and improve outcomes.

Education
Samburu children are assisted to attend schools, colleges and universities.

Women
Samburu mamas are paid to create beaded products that are sold or commissioned by major brands.

Water
The Trust's open water reservoirs provide water for humans and animals, sustaining the people and their environment.

Wildlife
The Samburu are guardians of their land and we help them to protect both wild and domesticated animals with veterinary care and emergency rescues.

Security
Our team of Samburu warriors are trained to protect wildlife and people. Equipped with mobile phones and motorbikes, they can respond quickly to any emergency.

DONATE NOW



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NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS THE ORATORY'S NOVEMBER CUSTOMARY

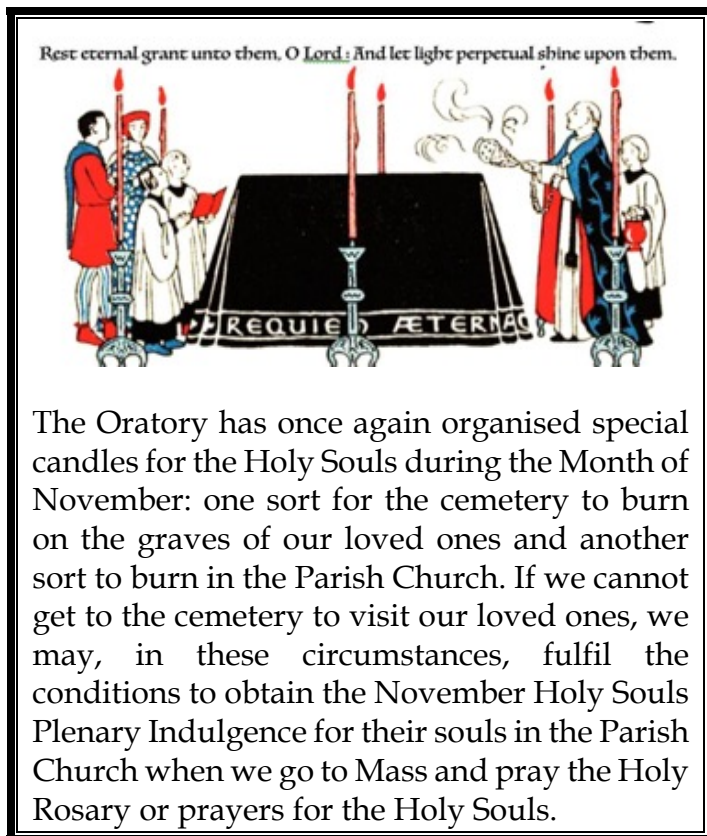
It is the long established custom of the Oratory to have special regard for the Holy Souls in Purgatory especially during the Month of November. This will be reflected in a number of ways during the Month:

- 1) The Fathers will visit the main cemeteries of the City in the first week of November to **bless the graves** of your loved ones. (The Church grants a **Plenary Indulgence** during the Octave, 1-8 November, for those who visit a grave of a loved one within the Octave);

2) There will be a Sung Requiem Mass for all **Benefactors of the Parish** (Parishioners, donors, priests and brothers) who have served here;

3) There will be a Requiem Mass for **all who have died** during the last year;

4) There will be a Requiem Mass for **all alumni** of St Alban's School, Old Illtydians and Brothers.



The Oratory has once again organised special candles for the Holy Souls during the Month of November: one sort for the cemetery to burn on the graves of our loved ones and another sort to burn in the Parish Church. If we cannot get to the cemetery to visit our loved ones, we may, in these circumstances, fulfil the conditions to obtain the November Holy Souls Plenary Indulgence for their souls in the Parish Church when we go to Mass and pray the Holy Rosary or prayers for the Holy Souls.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES:

PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S ON THE MOORS



LESSONS & CAROLS AT THE ORATORY

in the presence of His Grace the Archbishop of Cardiff
on Friday 20th December, 7:00 PM



ST ALBAN'S PARISH, CARDIFF

MONEY MATTERS

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR

THE CHURCH HEATING FUND

RESTORATION FUND (RF) / WINTER HEATING FUND (WHF)

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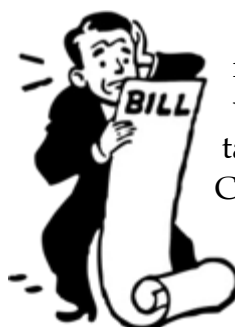
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The Archdiocesan Levy for St Alban's is £12,515:00 per annum

The Levy each *quarter* is £3,129.00

"God bless your generosity"
Fr Sebastian M. PP.



Throughout the year the monthly collection for last winter's heating bill has been taking place. *Today's* Second Collection is once again for this purpose. WE have still not settled the final bills for the winter 2023/2024, not through our fault, but because the utility company has been very poor in the management of their accounts and so the weekly withdrawals have persisted. I would ask you all please to be considerate in dressing warmly in the coming winter months. Women may comfortably wear woolly hats etc., and men may not.. but all can put on extra layers or woolly socks and boots, as the Fathers and Brothers do, when then pray in the church for the various hours each day and night. Please do not stand in doorways, but allow the doors to close, walk through the curtains promptly to stop drafts.

While the Restoration Fund is specifically for that purpose the continued monthly second collection for the heating is important and hence continues. The energy companies raised tariffs by 10% on 1 October. Fr Sebastian M.