

The CARDIFF ORATORY

ORATORY CHURCH of
SAINT ALBAN-on-the-MOORS



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DAILY ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT AT THE CARDIFF ORATORY

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday (9.00- 9.30) Wed 6pm (Confessions during these times)

<p>4th Sunday of Easter 11th May</p> <p>17:00 Mass (<i>Vigil</i>): Harry White 08:00 Mass: <i>Pro Populo</i> 10:00 Mass: Angelika Spiteri, RIP 11:15 Mass: Lisa Way, Int. 16:00 Second Vespers & Benediction</p>	<p>THURSDAY 15th May</p> <p>07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Deceased Families of Marcin & Justyna Paclawski 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Christopher Tucker, RIP 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>
<p>MONDAY 12th May</p> <p><i>St Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs</i></p> <p>07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Ryszard Karpienia, RIP 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Thomas Children 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>	<p>FRIDAY 16th May</p> <p>07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Fell or Served Poland, RIP 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Donor's Intentions 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>
<p>TUESDAY 13th May</p> <p><i>Our Lady of Fatima</i></p> <p>07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Mariangela & Raffaele Zurlo, RIP 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 09:30 Mass: Antoni Plachta 17:30 Rosary & Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>	<p>SATURDAY 17th May</p> <p>8:00 Mass: Holy Souls/Served in Defence of Poland</p> <p>16:30 First Vespers 17:00 Mass (<i>Vigil</i>): Billy Keane, RIP</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 14th May</p> <p><i>St Matthias, Apostle</i></p> <p>07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Jadwiga Karpienia, B'day 18:00 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 19:00 Mass: Teresa Starun & Jan Michon, RIP</p>	<p>5th Sunday of Easter 18th May</p> <p>08:00 Mass: <i>Pro Populo</i> 10:00 Mass: Olive Thomas, RIP 11:15 Mass: Wladyslaw & Korrel, RIP 16:00 Second Vespers & Benediction</p>

PRAYERS REQUESTED *for the SICK*

The Fathers and Brothers remember the sick and those who have care for them in their prayers and at Mass.

Dennis Kassimi, Peter McKendry, Shirley Thomas, Ian Williams, Neil B. Anne, Joseph Hurley, Daniel, Sarah Caswell, Mary May Cassidy, Rosa Tannorella, Elizabeth Williams, Veronica Williams, Gary Britton, Clare Schwartz, Martin Flynn, Darren, Summer Hutchinson, Johnnie Doherty, Patricia Yarwood, Teresa Jonker, Elizabeth Conway, Summer Arnesen, Dianne, Laura, Jane, Lucy Iacobucci, Brooke, Mike, Hayden, Dave, Patrick Mongan, Dorotka Sookanadenchetty, Jason Benedito, Gareth Bowen, Ann Henry, Sarah, Claire Hawkey, Danielle Camilleri, Jane Morris, Jonathan Bowen, Anne Marie Bell, Karen, Jenny, Kingsley, Gareth Vaughan, Hannah Bird, Bernadette Horan, Mark, 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, Jim & Doris Painter, Sharon Bradley, Nell Horan, James Hogg, Jennifer King, Shirley & Michael Kingston, E. Connors, Shelagh O'Donaghue, J. Pratt, J. Price, Beatrice Rajanayagan, 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.



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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 **CONFESSIONAL BELL** positioned in between the two Confessional Boxes in the Church. Ring to alert a Father. If available he will respond.

Habemus Papam Leo XIV



Pope Leo was born 14 September, 1955, in Chicago, USA. He holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Villanova University in Pennsylvania and joined the Order in 1977, making his solemn vows in 1981. He holds a degree in theology from the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and a doctorate in Canon Law from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome. He joined the Augustinian mission in Peru in 1985 and largely worked in the country until 1999 when he was elected head of the Augustinians' Chicago-based Province. From 2001 to 2013, he served as Prior General of the worldwide order. In 2014, Pope Francis named him Bishop of Chiclayo, in northern Peru, and Pope Francis asked him also to be apostolic administrator of Callao, Peru, from April 2020 to May 2021. Pope Leo XVI speaks English, Spanish, Italian, French, Portuguese and can read Latin and German.

"The authority we have is to serve, to accompany priests, to be pastors and teachers." H.H. Pope Leo XIV.

TE DEUM

The Te Deum will be solemnly intoned at 11:00am on Sunday in thanksgiving for the election of the Holy Father.

WE praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to be Our Lord. Thee, the Father everlasting, all the earth doth worship. To Thee all Angels; to Thee the Heavens and all the powers. To Thee the Cherubim and Seraphim continually cry: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious choir of the Apostles praises Thee.
The admirable company of Prophets praises Thee.
The White-robed army of the Martyrs praises Thee.
Thee, the holy Church throughout the world doth confess:
The Father of infinite majesty; Thine adorable, true, and only Son; Also, the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. Thou, O Christ, art the King of glory. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

Thou, having taken upon Thee to deliver man, didst not disdain the Virgin's womb. Thou, having overcome the sting of death, hast opened to believers the Kingdom of Heaven. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. Thou, we believe, art the judge to come.

We beseech Thee, therefore, to help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy Precious Blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting. O Lord save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. And govern them, and exalt them forever.

Day by day we bless Thee. And we praise Thy name forever; yea, forever and ever. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day, to keep us from sin. Have mercy on us. O Lord, have mercy on us. Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have trusted in Thee. In Thee, O Lord, have I trusted; let me not be confounded forever. Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. And worthy to be praised and glorified forever. Let us bless the Father and the Son, with the Holy Spirit. Let us praise and magnify Him forever.



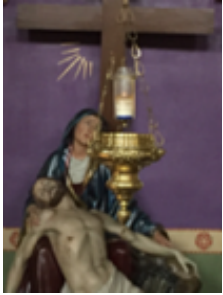
Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of

MR. Anthony Read, RIP

Mass on Wednesday 28th May at St Alban's Church at 11.00am
Jesus Mercy + Mary Help

VIGIL LAMPS

Please use the dedicated candle envelopes in church to make a donation for your candle



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. There are vacancies in the lamps for February 2025

- **Blessed Sacrament:** Dom Sebastian Wolff, OSB, RIP
 - **Sacred Heart:** Flur Maureen & Con Driscoll
- **Divine Mercy Chapel:** Glowacki & Szczech Families
 - **The Lady Chapel:** Helen Aldis (Sick)
- Chantry of Our Lady:** Simon Care, Int.
 - **Our Lady of Pieta:** Clare Hurford
- **Our Lady of Walsingham** David Woolf, Int
 - **Shrine of St Joseph:** John & Vera Morris
 - **Shrine of St Alban:** Paul Martin O'Hara

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.



CALLING ALL OLD COPPPERS

Thank you to those who faithfully return their boxes monthly. Your coppers and silver coins are making a difference to the Restoration Fund. Boxes are in the porch of the church. £29.95



Regina Caeli.

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

V. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria,
Alleluia,
R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

Oremus: Deus qui per resurrectionem
Filii tui, Domini nostri Iesu Christi,
mundum laetificare dignatus es:
praesta, quaesumus, ut per eius
Genetricem Virginem Mariam,
perpetuae capiamus gaudia vitae. Per
eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.
Amen.

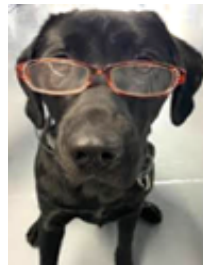
Oratory Planned Giving

If you pay tax please sign up to make the difference in the Parish.

Please ask for envelopes today for your first and second collections!

By placing your collections in envelopes you increase it by 20%.

Fr Sebastian M



Books Woof I Have Read by Pippo

This week, I read 'Citizens: A Chronicle of the French Revolution', by Simon Schama. As regular readers will recall, this book received an honourable mention some weeks ago when I reviewed Tom Holland's book, 'Rubicon'. 'Citizens' is a substantial work which looks in

some considerable detail at the causes of the French Revolution, before charting events up to the fall of Maximillian Robespierre at the end of July 1794. In so doing, Schama up-ends much of what we think we know of the French Revolution. Generally speaking, it is seen in terms of an intellectual middle-class leading a starving population of peasants to overthrow a corrupt, despotic and out-of-touch regime in the name of liberty, equality and fraternity.

The realities were rather different. First, and much to my surprise, the revolution actually began with (and was consequently led by) members of the ruling elite – at least before it got out of control. Second, far from being a despot, Louis XVI was inclined much more towards moderation and reform than his predecessors. Third, many of the ordinary people of France (outside Paris, and in the countryside especially), were outraged at the way in which the Revolutionary government treated their king and the Church.

One of the most striking features of this book, however, is the way in which Schama paints a picture of a society which got out of control very quickly. Put simply, no-one was safe. Anyone could be accused of being a counter-revolutionary at any time; justice became arbitrary; and countless innocents were killed, whether by means of judicial murder or by mob violence. As Schama himself wrote, 'violence ... was not just an unfortunate side effect ... it was the Revolution's source of collective energy.'

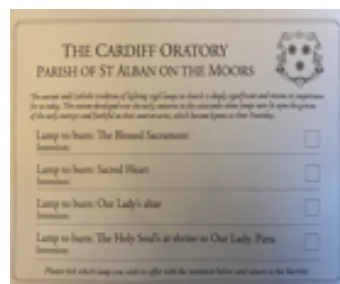
Of course, when a country experiences a revolution or civil war, some violence is almost inevitable. However, in the case of the French Revolution, the sheer scale of the blood-letting – together with the arbitrary nature of the violence – makes it particularly repellent.

And what did it all achieve? Given that the Revolutionary regime proved to be even more despotic than the one it replaced, and given that it soon gave way to the dictatorship of Napoleon Bonaparte, followed by the eventual restoration of the Bourbon dynasty in 1814, it is difficult to see that it achieved very much at all. It certainly did not live-up to its high-sounding ideals. Not for the squeamish, this is an excellent book nonetheless, and one I would not hesitate to recommend.



THE MASS LINE: 029 2267 0924

The Mass Line is a dedicated telephone line for those without the internet, so that they can hear Sunday & Holyday Masses. Simply call the number, and for the cost of a Local Call, the most recent Mass can be heard over the telephone.



NEW Vigil Lamp Envelopes

A new supply of vigil lamp envelopes for those wishing to dedicate a votive lamps for their loved ones or their own intentions have arrived.

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor of Cardiff Councillor Lady Helen Lloyd Jones will open the new social engagement centre at St Alban's Catholic Primary prior to it being blessed by the Parish Priest this Friday 16th May at 11:15am.

All Parishioners and Friends are warmly invited to join in this wonderful celebration. Please arrive for 11:00am.



Speaking at her inauguration, the Lord Mayor said: "It's a huge honour to be a Lord Mayor. This role is not about the person; it is about the amount of joy we give when we visit groups who quietly get on with doing extraordinary things. They are so pleased to show us what they do and to be appreciated. In a world that wakes us up every morning to the latest gloom and doom, it is so life-affirming to meet so many people who are doing their bit to make this world a safer, happier place, and they deserve our recognition. We may not be the biggest city, or the richest, or the oldest, but we have recently been voted the nicest city, the place where we are most likely to do kind things for our neighbours. The friendly city, Cardiff, the capital city of Wales, long may we keep it so."



Hospital Chaplaincy: Emergency Call Out

The Health Board operates a 24/7 "On-Call" Rota for Emergency Call Outs when a Catholic priest is required to administer the Sacraments. Please phone the Switchboard on telephone: 029 2074 7747 to request a call-out for "a Catholic priest *via pager*". **REMEMBER TO GIVE:** Name of patient, the Hospital, & the Ward. Please keep the sick in your prayers.



BAPTISM

Please remember in your prayers those parents and Godparents preparing for their children's Baptism. Also pray for those St Alban's parishioners who have not as yet had their children baptised. If you are ever privy to such a conversation

please remind them that there is **NO CHARGE** for Baptism, there is no need of special clothes or parties and that the Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on any day of the week to try and accommodate the family and their life/work patterns. Baptism is for the good of the child's immortal soul. It is not a litmus test of the parent's regularity in parochial life... "*Always encourage, never turn away.*"



St Alban's SVP - Here for you

To find out how we can help, you can speak to one of our members by calling the St Alban's SVP Conference for a friendly chat on **07864 783308.**



School News: VE DAY PARTY

