

# The CARDIFF ORATORY

ORATORY CHURCH of  
SAINT ALBAN-on-the-MOORS



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VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS! COME HOLY SPIRIT!



## 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><b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> 8<sup>th</sup> June 17:00 Mass (<i>Vigil</i>): Terry &amp; Hazel O'Brien, RIP 08:00 Mass: <i>Pro Populo</i> 10:00 Mass: Angelika Spiteri, RIP 11:15 Mass: Maria Alice Goncalves, RIP (2nd Anniv) 16:00 Second Vespers &amp; Benediction</p>	<p>THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> June <i>OLJC, Eternal High Priest</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Confessions 09:30 Mass: John Utting, RIP, B'day Anniversary 17:30 Rosary &amp; Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>
<p>MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> June <i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Confessions 09:30 Mass: Mrs Maria Tamburello, RIP 17:30 Rosary &amp; Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>	<p>FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Ryszard Karpienia, RIP 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Confessions 09:30 Mass: 17:30 Rosary &amp; Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>
<p>TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> June <i>Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls/Fr Sebastian, Ord. Anniv. 09:00 Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Confessions 09:30 Mass: Kay Donovan, O.F.S., RIP 17:30 Rosary &amp; Oratory Evening Spiritual Exercises</p>	<p>SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> June 8:00 Mass: Holy Souls/Gosia Szczech 16:30 First Vespers 17:00 Mass (<i>Vigil</i>): Johanna Collins, RIP</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> June <i>St Barnabas, Apostle</i> 07:30 Mass: Holy Souls 18:00 Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Confessions 19:00 Mass: Tommy &amp; May Savoury, RIP</p>	<p><b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b> 15<sup>th</sup> June 08:00 Mass: Holy Souls 10:00 Mass: <i>Pro Populo</i> 11:15 Mass: Judge Patrick Curran, QC, RIP 16:00 Second Vespers &amp; 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'Donoghue, 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.

### THIS WEEK'S 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

- **Most Blessed Sacrament:** Christopher Jones
- **Sacred Heart:** Fr Sebastian M. (Anniv of Ordination)
- **Divine Mercy Chapel:** Glowacki & Szczech Families
- **The Lady Chapel:** Maria Alice Goncalves, RIP
- **Chantry of Our Lady:** John Utting, RIP
- **Our Lady of Pity:** Christopher Jones
- **Our Lady of Walsingham:** David Woolf, Int
- **Shrine of St Joseph:** Talia Szymanowick (Safe return)

*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.*

### Sacrament of Confirmation 6th July 2025



His Grace, the Archbishop of Cardiff will visit St Alban's Parish to celebrate Mass and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 6th July at

10.00am. There are already 18 adults due to receive the Confirmation so it will be "first come first serve" for the remaining places up to 30 candidates. **Adult Preparation: Tuesday 10,17 June; Under 18's: Saturday 21 June, 5 July** is in St Alban's Church.

*Under 18's (parents / grandparents, guardians may wait in church or the Parish Hall if they wish)*

### Why devote *yourself* to our Lord's Sacred Heart...

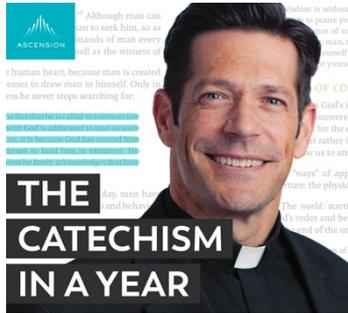


The devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is one of the most profound expressions of the Catholic Faith, centred on Christ's infinite love and mercy. This devotion revealed through St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century, invites us to deepen our relationship with Jesus by reflecting on His boundless love for humanity. The Sacred Heart symbolizes not just Jesus' physical heart, but His love for us. A love that led Him to the Cross. Often depicted with thorns, flames, and a cross, the image reminds us of His suffering and unconditional love. The heart is the seat of love, and for Catholics, the Sacred Heart represents the very essence of Christ's self-giving love, which is always available to those who seek it. The devotion emphasizes reparation for sins, calling us to console Christ through acts of love and sacrifice, making up for the ingratitude and offenses of the world. Through this devotion, we unite our sufferings with Christ's, offering prayers and sacrifices for the healing of the world. At its heart, the devotion calls us to trust in the infinite mercy of Jesus, who offers His love to us, even in our brokenness. In a world that often feels distant and cold, the Sacred Heart reminds us of Jesus' constant presence and care. Living out this devotion in imitation of Christ's love in our daily lives through acts of kindness, humility, and service to others, our life and prayer become more one. As we honour the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we allow its transformative love to shape our hearts and actions. May the Sacred Heart be a continual source of strength, comfort, and inspiration for all who seek His heart.

### First Holy Communions on Corpus Christi Sunday



Please pray for our children as they prepare for their First Communions on Corpus Christi Sunday. Please note: all the children must have made their First Confession prior to Corpus Christi Sunday in order to be admitted to Holy Communion.

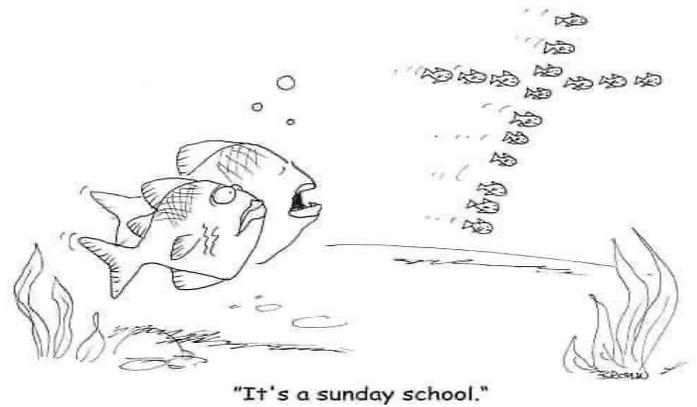


## KNOW THE FAITH...

Fr Mike Schmitz gives a short and engaging commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. His love for the Church comes through his speech as he helps unpack the mysteries of Faith. This

podcast can be found wherever you stream your podcasts. You can also listen to them on their website.

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-podcasts/catechisminayear/>



### LATEST NEWS: Restoration Work "Parish Stewardship: Our Task"

This week the mobility access door ramp was re-surfaced and is now fully operational. The non-slip surface was necessary to be compliant with H&S legislation. The temporary ramp on the West End of the church will shortly be removed in accordance with Planning regulations. It will be "up-cycled" at St Alban's Club, which is an excellent use and will give mobility access to club members.



### Books Woof I Have Read by Pippo

This week, I read *'The History of Modern Britain'*, by Andrew Marr, which charts the history of the nation from the end of the Second World War to the end of Tony Blair's premiership in 2007.

As you might expect, a large part of this book is given over to political history. However, there are many sections covering social history, as Marr charts in some detail the emergence of what we would now recognize as our liberal, secular, and consumerist society.

One of the things I found most interesting about this book is the way in which Marr shows how the success (or failure) of our political leaders tends to owe so much more to luck (to be more precise, circumstances which are far beyond their control) than it does to their judgment. Most of the time, it seems, politicians are merely reacting and responding to circumstances, rather than directing them. It was for this reason, perhaps, that, when asked what was the greatest challenge facing a statesman, Harold Macmillan is said to have responded, "*Events, dear boy, events*".

Although the subject matter of this book is undoubtedly serious, Marr's style of writing is both witty and entertaining. There is plenty of light relief to be had along the way, such as when as he looks at evolutions in fashion. I could not help chuckling when Marr recounted the tale of the young Michael Caine who took his mother down Carnaby Street sometime in the 1960s to see what she made of the miniskirts. "*If it's not for sale,*" she observed waspishly, "*it shouldn't be in the window.*" Wise words indeed.

#### ST ALBAN'S 200 CLUB WINNERS

APRIL '25 1. Prize: ALUN EDWARDS

2. Prize: MARGARET TYLER

3. Prize: MARIA BURNS

MAY '25 1. Prize: JOANNE BRUNTON

2. Prize: PHILIP JONKER

3. Prize: FR SEBASTIAN M.



## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

22 -25 SEPTEMBER 2025

Fr Sebastian M has reserved 40 places at the Catholic Pilgrimage centre for an

Oratory Parish Pilgrimage to the beautiful and ancient Catholic Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. There is a sign up sheet in the church porch to gauge interest. The last time we had a pilgrimage to Walsingham it was a most enjoyable trip which included a visit to Sandringham, the seaside and Tea in Stamford. (Single, double, twin, family rooms have been reserved). Deposit £50 to secure a place. 11 people have signed up so far to express an interest in going to Walsingham.

#### SPUC 51st ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK

Sunday 6th July 2025

at 3pm Roath Park