

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sunday 14th September - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

(Sat) 17:00 - Holy Mass: Monica Murray, RIP
8:00 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls/Ryszard Karpenia, RIP
10:00 - Holy Mass: Angelika Spiteri, RIP
11:15 - Holy Mass: David Jones, RIP
16:00 - Second Vespers and Benediction

Monday 15th September - Our Lady of Sorrows

7:30 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls
8:30 - Oratory Morning exercises
09:30 - Holy Mass: Pro Populo
17:30 - Holy Rosary and Oratory Evening exercises

Tuesday 16th September - Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

7:30 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls
8:30 - Oratory Morning exercises
09:30 - Holy Mass: Private Intention
17:30 - Holy Rosary and Oratory Evening exercises

Wednesday 17th September - St. Robert Bellarmine

7:30 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls
18:00 - Adoration
19:00 - Holy Mass: Cyril & Bridget George, RIP

Thursday 18th September - Feria

7:30 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls
8:30 - Oratory Morning exercises
09:30 - Holy Mass: In Thanksgiving
17:30 - Holy Rosary and Oratory Evening exercises

Friday 19th September - St. Januarius

7:30 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls
8:30 - Oratory Morning exercises
09:30 - Holy Mass: Lily Mandal, Int (Birthday)
17:30 - Holy Rosary and Oratory Evening exercises

Saturday 20th September - Our Lady's Saturday

08:00 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls/ Penelope Way's Int.
16:30 - First Vespers
17:00 - Holy Mass: Sebastian Moncada, RIP

Sunday 21st September - Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year

8:00 - Holy Mass: Holy Souls/Zbysek Nizio, RIP
10:00 - Holy Mass: Stephen Murray, RIP
11:15 - Holy Mass: Judge Patrick Curran, QC, RIP
16:00 - Vespers and Benediction

CONFESSION TIMES

Sundays: 15 minutes before and during all Masses
Weekdays: 7:15 to 7:30; 9:00 to 9:30

Since the time of St. Philip Neri, the Fathers of the Oratory have made themselves available for Confessions during daily Mass. Outside of these set times, there is a Confessional Bell positioned in between the two Confessional Boxes in the Church. Ring to alert a Priest.

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.00- 9.30
Wednesday 6.00 - 7.00pm

HOLY ROSARY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 5:30pm
Wednesday: 6:00pm

The Fathers and Brothers pray the Rosary each day for the intentions of the Parish and of the Universal Church. Parishioners who wish to have a particular intention included in these prayers are kindly invited to make it known to a member of the community

VENERATION OF THE RELIC OF ST. PHILIP NERI

Friday: After morning Masses

The veneration of the relic of St. Philip Neri is a long-standing Oratory custom. When we pray before his relic, we ask for his intercession and strength to live more faithfully as Catholics.



PRAYERS REQUESTED for the SICK

Please join the Cardiff Oratory Fathers and Brothers in praying daily for the sick and those who have care for them.

A.& N Xavier Philips, Kevin Harris, Kate, Pauline Cook, Daniel Doran, Robert Matthews, Rita Taylor, John C. Keenan, Dennis Kassimi, Shirley Thomas, Ian Williams, Neil B. Anne, Daniel, Sarah Caswell, Mary May Cassidy, Rosa Tannorella, Veronica Williams, Gary Britton, Clare Schwartz, Martin Flynn, Darren, Summer Hutchinson, Johnnie Doherty, Patricia Yarwood, Libby Conway, Elizabeth Conway, Summer Arnesen, Dianne, Laura, Jane, Lucy Iacobucci, Dorotka Sookanadenchetty, Jason Benedito, Gareth Bowen, Ann Henry, Sarah, Claire Hawkey, Danielle Camilleri, Jane Morris, Jonathan Bowen.

THIS WEEK'S VIGIL LAMPS

Please use the dedicated candle envelopes in church to make a donation for your vigil candle. If you would like to have one of the vigil lamps burn for a loved one's anniversary or for some special intention or in thanksgiving please use the candle envelopes or write the name on an envelope and drop it in the plate or the sacristy. For a donation of £4.50, to pay for the candle, your intention will be remembered by the whole Parish for one week.

- Blessed Sacrament: Judge Patrick Curran, QC, RIP
- Sacred Heart: Teresa Jonker, RIP
- Divine Mercy Chapel: Glowacki & Szczech Families
- The Lady Chapel: Maureen Maunder, RIP
- Chantry of Our Lady: Ray & Mo George, Int.
- Our Lady of Pity: David Jones, RIP
- St Joseph: The Children of St. Alban's School



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

Fr Andrew Wise of the Brisbane Oratory, RIP

Please pray for the community in Brisbane.

Jesus Mercy + Mary Help
St. Philip, pray for him.



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

MRS. SARAH LOUISE SIMS, RIP

Requiem Mass: Thursday 18th
September at 11.00am

Please pray for husband Matthew and
their daughter Florence.

Jesus Mercy + Mary Help



Men's pilgrimage
to

ST. MICHAEL'S MOUNT

Saturday 27th September 2025

8:00am Mass at St. Alban's
8:30 Breakfast in Oratory House
9:30 Coach leaves for Skirrid
14:30 Return to the Oratory

For more information please email
admin@cardifforatory.co.uk

ST. LUKE

Monthly Bible study on to writings of the Evangelist

Every First Tuesday Starts at 6:30pm

Starting October 7th @ The Cardiff Oratory



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A Catholic view: The History of Western Philosophy

Join our year-long programme exploring the great journey of philosophy, from the wisdom of the Ancient Greeks to the questions of modern times. Along the way, uncover how these ideas are understood by the Church.

Third Tuesday of the Month

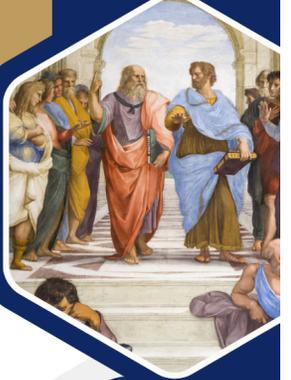
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St. Alban's RFC Rugby Report



St. Alban's kicked off their campaign in style with a thrilling victory over Cambrian Welfare, a side recently relegated from the WRU Championship East. Having earned promotion from 2 East Central last season, the Buns had a point to prove against established opposition, while Cambrian were eager to show they would not be undone by ambitious newcomers. Heavy conditions suggested the match would be a forwards' battle, but thanks to the hard work put into the Tremorfa Park pitch, the game was able to flow freely.

It was the visitors who struck first, setting the tone for a rollercoaster encounter. St. Alban's showed resilience, clawing their way back to level the scores at 12-12 by half-time. The try-trading continued after the break, with St. Alban's edging into the lead midway through the second half.

The closing stages were tense, with just a single point separating the sides heading into the final minutes. However, a crucially converted penalty gave the Black and Ambers breathing space and ultimately secured a memorable 36-32 victory. St. Alban's claimed the maximum five points with their bonus-point win, leaving them sitting fourth in the table. The first team now enjoys a short break before returning to action on 20th September with a local away trip to Llanishen.

**You're cordially invited to a Murder
Mystery Dinner!**

An evening of suspense, secrets, and sumptuous dining awaits: A who's done it with a menu.

Luckily, the world's greatest detectives will be on hand to untangle the clues:

Hercule Poirot, Father Brown, and more famous sleuths will make an appearance in this thrilling night of deduction and deception.

Crime scene - St. Alban's Parish Hall

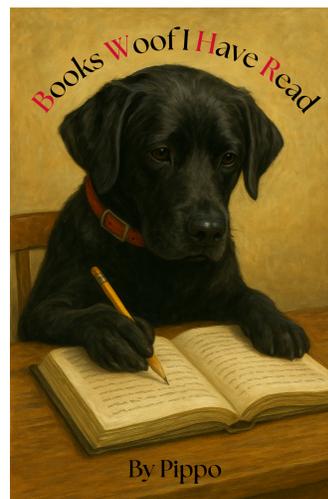
4th October 2025

Dinner starts at 19:00

Cost £10.00 (includes a cocktail)

Sharpen your mind and prepare for an unforgettable night of intrigue.

Dinner will be served—but will everyone survive to Pudding?



This week, I read 'Hons & Rebels', by Jessica Mitford. Jessica, of course, was one of the famous (or infamous) Mitford Sisters, the fifth of the six girls born to David Freeman-Mitford, 2nd Baron Redesdale, and his wife, Sydney.

Known to the family as 'Decca', Jessica was born 108 years ago this week, and is probably best remembered for being a communist. First published in 1960, 'Hons & Rebels' is autobiographical and covers Jessica's aristocratic childhood, her conflicts with her older sisters Diana and Unity (both of whom were admirers of Hitler), and her attempt to run away and fight against the Fascists in the Spanish Civil War.

At first glance, it is tempting to dismiss this book as nothing more than the reminiscences of a poor little rich girl. However, it is important to remember how many people (including writers, such as J K Rowling) have cited this work as having had a great influence upon them.

Whilst I cannot say that I was influenced by the book, I did find it both interesting and entertaining. The author is clearly aware of how ridiculous some of the people and events she describes will seem to her reader, which makes those passages all the more amusing; and she shows considerable candour and self-awareness. Also, since the Mitford family was very well connected, the book provides some excellent insights into a social and political world now long-since vanished. It is hard to imagine Sir Keir Starmer sending a destroyer to Spain with orders to bring home (if necessary by kidnapping) a young socialite who has run away from home.

'Hons & Rebels' was one of those books which left me wanting to know more about the author, her family, and the world she inhabited. Fortunately, there is no shortage of material out there, from books, to television interviews, to the recent television series 'Outrageous'. It seems there is a thriving market for the Mitfords.



RACE NIGHT



FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER 7:00PM

This event is for adults 18+ held in St Alban's Hall

ENTRY TICKETS £4

(includes a
glass of Prosecco)

