

# Dome of Home

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## SUMMER 2016

Dear friends,

On the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016, the Holy See definitively approved the Constitutions of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest as a "Society of Apostolic Life in Canonical Form," after a 5-year probation period. This juridical recognition is a source of graces for our spiritual family - canons, sisters-adorers, oblates, seminarians, and lay members, and an open support for the charism of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

Under the patronage of the Immaculate Conception, the canons (priests) of our Institute wish to live together fraternally in community, in the particular manner of a canonical life, as the clergy established in the very first centuries of the Church. The pillars of such a community life, apart from unity in Charity, are: the Divine Office sung every day in Choir, a common house and a common table. These three traditional aspects of the canonical life of the Institute are realised in the highest degree in the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The Mass is the Sacred Banquet in which the Church of Heaven, Earth & Purgatory are united so as to participate in the unique Sacrifice of Christ, already accomplished in a bloody manner at Calvary, which is once again re-actualised without suffering in the Liturgy of Holy Mother Church at the altar. This Love of Christ on the Cross, which is made present in the sacred gestures at Mass and the Office, contemplated and savoured in daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, requires its proper expression in the Liturgical life, albeit in a limited manner.

To be a canon, a priest must first put himself at the service of a Rule (Constitutions) for the love of God and centre his priestly life on the Mystery of Love magnified by the Cross. The necessity to obey these rules down to the last detail, is a means of sanctification – and not only personally, but also in a communal manner, which resonates in the daily visible liturgical life, in chant and Adoration of the Mystery of God.

Dear friends, you have understood: to be a canon, it is to firstly to belong wholly to God in the Liturgy and entirely to souls in the life of Charity. Our apostolates, received by mission of the Church and of the bishops, bear fruit when above all they tender towards making Our Lord loved in the Blessed Sacrament, making the other Sacraments loved, and making us love our neighbour. When this is the case, God provides us with everything else we need. If we calculate and reason as does the world, our fruits will be worldly, and any "popularity" will not be true holiness.

Be assured of the prayers of your priests in the silence of Holy Mass, in the immemorial chant in common in Choir : this is their only treasure, that of the priestly life which they try to offer you generously without counting.

Thank you for your prayers – God will bless you for them.

Canon Amaury Montjean

### Dome Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday

8.30am: Low Mass

9.45am: Confessions

10.30am: Sung Mass

5.30pm: Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

#### Monday to Thursday

7.30am: Lauds & Meditation

8.30am: Public Rosary

8.45am: Confessions

9am: Holy Mass

5.30pm: Vespers

6-7pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7pm: Compline

#### Friday

9.15am: Holy Mass (English Mass-Parish)

5.30pm: Vespers

6-7pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7pm: Holy Mass

#### Saturday & Bank Holidays

9.45am: Confessions

10am: Holy Mass &

St Philomena Devotions (Saturday only)

5.30pm: Vespers

#### CURRENT ACTIVITIES AT THE DOME:

- ◆ Youth group (14 -25 years old): *Monthly meetings: talk, friendship. Contact 07792 241992*
- ◆ Domus Christiani: *Monthly meetings for married couples about Faith, Education and Family Life*
- ◆ Faith formation for Adults: *2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 6.30pm*
- ◆ Groups of Catechism: *Two groups on alternate Sundays: 6 - 10 years & 11 - 14 years*
- ◆ Reception in the Catholic Church: *Individual preparation at the Dome. Please contact the Rector.*

# Holy Week 2016



*Palm Sunday Procession overlooking the sea*



*Maundy Thursday Altar of Repose*

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The presentiment of that awful hour leads the afflicted mother to veil the image of her Jesus: the cross is hidden from the eyes of the faithful. The statues of the saints, too, are covered; for it is but just that, if the glory of the Master be eclipsed, the servant should not appear. The interpreters of the liturgy tell us that this ceremony of veiling the crucifix during Passiontide, expresses the humiliation to which our Saviour subjected Himself.

*Dom Gueranger's Liturgical Year: Mystery of Holy Week*



*Good Friday Office of Tenebrae*



*Good Friday Prostration*



*Holy Saturday: Reception into Full Communion*



*Easter Sunday: Blessing of the Subdeacon after the Epistle at Solemn High Mass*

## Pilgrimage to Lourdes



Cardinal Burke gave a Conference on Mercy to our English Pilgrims



Our Pilgrims in front of the Upper Basilica of the Immaculate Conception

“On 22<sup>nd</sup> April, over forty pilgrims from around the country travelled to Lourdes to visit the site where Our Lady appeared on seventeen occasions to St Bernadette in 1858. The pilgrimage was filled with lovely Masses, including a Solemn High Mass celebrated by Monsignor Wach [Superior General of the Institute of Christ the King] and a Pontifical High Mass celebrated by Cardinal Burke. The Cardinal also gave a wonderful talk on God’s mercy and justice, which he kindly repeated in English for those unable to understand French, and celebrated Solemn Benediction before he left. There was opportunity to pray the Stations of the Cross, which are atop a hill next to the basilicas and feature scenes with beautiful golden statues depicting Our Lord’s passion, and we also took part in the nightly torchlight procession around the Sanctuary. In spare time, pilgrims could visit the Grotto where the apparitions took place to pray and to see the spring that St Bernadette uncovered, or go to the baths to bathe in the spring water. Around Lourdes itself, there were plenty of places from to see from St Bernadette’s life, including the Cachot, the small room in the disused prison where Bernadette and her family were living at the time of the apparitions. In all, the pilgrimage was a very spiritually nourishing experience, and I’m sure many pilgrims will be eager to return next year!”

Laura Doherty, Pilgrim from the Dome of Home, New Brighton.

## Finances

Dear benefactors of the Shrine,  
Thank you for your constant financial support towards the work of the Institute of Christ the King in New Brighton: last Autumn, we were able to finish a second part of the renovation of the church building and repair the side gate. Recently, many of you have used regular standing orders so as to cover our running costs, for both the church and the presbytery: I am therefore very grateful. This encourages us to continue our spiritual work in this Beacon of devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the celebration of Mass and Sacraments in the Extraordinary Form, according to the mission given to us by the Rt. Rev. Mark Davies, Bishop of Shrewsbury. If you would like to help us regularly, please use the enclosed form. Thank you and God bless you! Canon Montjean.

## Ordinations



This year another 11 priests are to be ordained by His Eminence Cardinal Burke on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July in Florence. All welcome!



You may remember 3 of the 11 future priests who spent time in New Brighton. From left to right: Abbés Pinoteau, Montjean and Josseaume. (Abbé Cosme Montjean is Canon Amaury Montjean’s younger brother)

Breaking news: The newly ordained Canon Cosme Montjean will celebrate his **First Solemn High Mass in New Brighton** on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July at 10.30am. Social afterwards. All welcome.

# Latest News from the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest in New Brighton



*The gate at the side of the church has now been widened and replaced, and new tarmac has been put in. This will facilitate the next phases of restoration.*

*One of our altar-servers, Liam Dodd, has just left us for the house of the Institute in Livorno, Italy, so as to discern his vocation: this house of discernment is for non-French-speaking seminary candidates who would like to learn French and discover the community life of the priests of the Institute for a few months, before their priestly formation begins in Gricigliano. Thank you for your prayers and support for our vocations from New Brighton and Preston who will join the seminary this September.*

*Seminary Website: [www.icrsp.org](http://www.icrsp.org)*

*New Brighton: [www.domeofhome.org](http://www.domeofhome.org)*

*Liam had been helping to train one of the younger altar-servers, who began to serve Mass at the Dome last autumn. Here below is the letter he wrote to Liam:*

Dear Liam  
Thank you so much for advising me and helping me when I started. You have been loyal to God by answering his calling. We will say a decade of the Rosary for you every night we can. I'm sure, it will be hard but God wouldn't have called you if he thought you couldn't do it. You have been noble to give up a family.



*Our generously-donated new choir stalls.*



*Solemnity of Saint Philomena,  
Titular Patroness of our Shrine Church:  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August*

*10.30am: Solemn High Mass  
(Sermon by Abbé Alex Stewart, from Liscard,  
who was ordained a Deacon last February)*

*11.45am: **Procession with the Relic of  
Saint Philomena around the Shrine***

*12:30pm: Social - 5.30pm: Vespers*