



# FROM THE SPIRE



News & updates from our Shrine Churches for our community in Preston, Lancashire, England.



## *Editorial*

BY REV. CANON CRISTOFOLI

My dear friends, here it is at last, the great week we have been waiting for! A holy week, the summit of the whole liturgical year, a beacon for the spiritual life. I invite you to make the most of it! Do not think in terms of what is obligatory or not, but have a generous heart to enter deeply into the mystery of our Redemption, into the mystery of our Saviour God, passionate with love for us. At each hour of confession this week, we will have 3 priests available. Do not hesitate to contact us if you need a special time. Of course, we are especially praying for the catechumens and the candidates who will be received into the Church. On Easter Day, we will have the traditional benediction of eggs and the paschal lamb as well as a chocolate egg hunt in the presbytery garden.

All your Canons, Sisters, Candidates, Spire and Guinness wish you a fervent Holy Week.

Please note: there will be no evening mass (6.30pm) on Easter Day. Vespers and Benediction as usual at 5.30pm.

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## *PALM SUNDAY*

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# TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Palm Sunday: please use the booklets provided and leave them in the church afterward.

## Holy Week Schedule:

**Palm Sunday: Blessing of Palms only at 10.30am Mass (St Walburge's).**

**9am Low Mass (English Martyrs)**

**6.30pm Low Mass (Saint Walburge's) as usual.**

**Spy Wednesday 13th April:**

**6pm Confessions.**

**7pm Tenebrae (Matins and Lauds of Maundy Thursday).**

**Maundy Thursday 14th April:**

**5pm Confessions at English Martyrs.**

**6pm at English Martyrs: Solemn Mass, Procession & Stripping of the Altars**

**Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight.**

**Good Friday 15th April:**

**9am Tenebrae at English Martyrs.**

**3pm Solemn Mass of the Pre-Sanctified at English Martyrs.**

**6pm Stations of the Cross and Confessions at English Martyrs.**

**Holy Saturday 16th April:**

**9am Tenebrae & 11am-12 noon Confessions at St Walburge's.**

**5.30pm Easter Vigil at St Walburge's.**

## Easter Sunday 17th April:

**The Most Holy Day of  
The Resurrection of  
Our Lord Jesus Christ**

**9am Low Mass (English Martyrs)**

**10:30am Solemn High Mass**

**(Saint Walburge's)**

**followed by the blessing of the lamb  
and eggs. Chocolate egg-hunt after  
the Mass in the garden of the**

**Rectory**

**5:30pm Solemn Vespers**

**6pm Benediction of the Blessed  
Sacrament**



Deo gratias for Canon Duarte's ordination

## Our intentions this week:

Please pray for peace.

Please pray for our sick members:

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Anita, Trevor,

Mark, residents of Swansea Terrace.

Please pray for the work at St Walburge's and

St Benedict's Academy.

Thanksgiving for the ordination of Rev. Canon Duarte.

Please pray for Mark and Ligaya McKee

## Collection figures:

### Sunday 27th March:

St Walburge's loose plate £171.01

English Martyrs £113.60

Envelopes £292

Bank Transfers £188

Donations £1000

Easter flowers collection £77.98

Total £1842.59

### Sunday 3rd April:

St Walburge's loose plate £263.30

English Martyrs £89.51

Envelopes £549.20

Bank Transfers £688

Donations £2865

Easter flowers collection £29

Total £4484.01

Sponsor a Slate £220,  
Via Crucis event: £110.30

<b>Date</b>	<b>Ordo</b>	<b>Canon Cristofoli</b>	<b>Canon Post</b>	<b>Canon Ducret</b>
Sunday 10th April 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30 SW	Palm Sunday	Thierry	Monsignor Wach	Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
Monday 11th April 8:30 EM 12 EM	Holy Monday	Joseph McCowen	Walther family needs and intentions	Monique Marchal R.I.P
Tuesday 12th April 8:30 EM 12 EM	Holy Tuesday	Francis Pope RIP	Walther family needs and intentions	Mr. Gerry McGinly R.I.P
Wednesday 13th April 8:30 EM 12 EM	Spy Wednesday	Fetherston Family	Alan Durkin RIP	Geoffrey Harrisson Taylor R.I.P
Thursday 14th April  6pm EM	Maundy Thursday	-----	-----	Monsignor Wach
Friday 15th April 3pm EM	Good Friday	-----	-----	-----
Saturday 16th April 5.30pm SW	Easter Vigil	Mgr Gilles Wach	-----	-----
Sunday 17th April 9:00 EM 10:30 SW	Resurrection of the Lord	Pro Populo	Pope Francis & Bishop Swarbrick	For the Shrine Community

OUR SHRINE SCHEDULE:  
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## Announcements

Our next collections:

Maundy Thursday: for the flowers.

Good Friday: Order of the Holy Sepulchre, to support Christians of Holy Land

Sunday 1st May: for our seminary of Gricigliano ( 2nd collection)

Sunday 15th May: White flowers appeal Spuc ( 2nd collection)

**Offertory Envelopes: If there is anyone who has not yet been issued with a new box of offertory envelopes, please give your name and address to one of the Canons asap.**

**Thank you very much.**

SPUC Pro-Life chain Saturday 23 April 11.00 am – 1.00 pm: please join us for this annual silent act of witness to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion. Meet on London Road, Preston – just north of Ribble bridge. Stay for all or part of the time; bring a chair if required. For info tel. 01772 723094.

A huge thank you to all our volunteers! Flowers, Music, Social, Shrine's office, Cleaners...you are indispensable, Thank you!

Join us for a big easter Cleaning Saturday 16th from 2pm.

God bless you all.

### **To Donate:**

Institute of Christ the King/St Walburge, Charity number: 1144783

To donate to St Walburge's via bank transfer:

Name: ICKSP Sort Code: 40-10-22 Account Number: 52347733

Gift Aid forms and offertory envelopes can be obtained at the Presbytery.

**Thank you very much to our supporters**

