



FROM THE SPIRE

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



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SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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My Dear Friends,

Sacramentum Caritatis! This week we continue our devotions and our celebration of the Sacrament of Divine Charity--of the love of the Word made Flesh for our salvation. The love of God flowers forth in the love of our neighbour. If we take to the streets today, united with the entire Catholic community of this area, it is in order to draw souls to the church, to the altar, to the abundant graces which flow from the pierced Heart of Christ on the Cross.

Please note the special Mass and Adoration for children on Wednesday morning. Let the little children come to me! It is important to foster the spiritual thirst of young souls for what is good and beautiful and holy--this attraction will make it possible for them to overcome the obstacles to living a Christian life that we must all encounter in the world.

Friday, the week is fittingly capped by the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Solemn Mass will be celebrated at English Martyrs at noon. It will also mark the end of the Academic year for Saint Benedict's.

Finally, we will celebrate the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist on Saturday, the Precursor of Christ. May he powerfully intercede for us and teach us how to prepare the way of the Lord in our lives! It is also the liturgical anniversary of the priestly ordination of the founders of our Institute, Monsignor Gilles Wach and Canon Philippe Mora. Please pray for them in gratitude for the good works made possible by their sacrifices. Our shrine community would not exist without them. May God grant them the wisdom to continue guiding our little skiff through rough and stormy waters to the eternal shores of heaven.



TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Lesson from the first letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians

1 Cor. 23-29.

Brethren: I myself have received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and giving thanks broke, and said, Take and eat. This is My Body which shall be given up for you; do this in remembrance of Me.

In like manner also the cup, after He had supped, saying, This is the new covenant in My Blood; do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me. For as often as you shall eat this Bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord, until He comes.

Therefore, whoever eats this Bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily, will be guilty of the Body and the Blood of the Lord. But let a man prove himself, and so let him eat of that Bread and drink of the cup; for he who eats and drinks unworthily, without distinguishing the Body, eats and drinks judgment to himself.

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John

St John 6:56-59.

At that time, Jesus said to the crowds of the Jews: My Flesh is food indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed. He who eats My Flesh, and drinks My Blood, abides in Me and I in him. As the living Father has sent Me, and as I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me. This is the Bread that has come down from heaven; not as your fathers ate the manna, and died. He who eats this Bread shall live forever.

Corpus Christi Feast and Devotions

Sunday: (Solemnity of Corpus Christi) 9:00 am Low Mass at English Martyrs

9:30 am Sung office of Terce before the Blessed Sacrament

10:00 am Rosary and Confessions

10:30 High Mass before the Blessed Sacrament exposed

2 pm Corpus Christi Procession with Preston Deanery

Tuesday: Blessing of the sick with the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday: 11am Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration and devotions for children

Thursday: All-day Adoration

Friday: Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart before the evening Benediction.

Collection figures

Sunday 12th June

St Walburge's £830.15

Donations £70.00

Bank Transfers £416.00

Total £1,316.15

English Martyrs £62.35

Our prayer intentions this week:

Please pray for Father O'Connor, Bernard Williams and Flair,
for Mark and Ligaya McKay,
Arthur and Maxine Frankland.

For our sick members: Mr. and Mrs. Smith,
Anita, Trevor and Mark.
The residents of Swansea Terrace.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Pray for peace!

| Date | Ordo | Canon Cristofoli | Canon Post | Canon Ducret |
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| Sunday 19th June 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30 SW | Corpus Christi (2nd Sunday after Pentecost) | Anthony, Thanksgiving and blessings. | Abbé Gabriel Novena | Clack Family |
| Monday 20th June 8:30 SW 12 EM | Mass of Corpus Christi (St Silverius) | Jim Aherne RIP | Abbé Gabriel Novena | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Tuesday 21st June 8:30 SW 12 EM | St Aloysius Gonzaga | Monsignor Wach | Abbé Gabriel Novena | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Wednesday 22nd June 8:30 SW 11 SW 12 EM | St Paulinus | Leon RIP | Fr Zuffoletto | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Thursday 23rd June 8:30 SW 12 EM | Mass of Corpus Christi | Paule RIP | Mother Teresa of Jesus OCD | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Friday 24th June 8:30 SW 12 EM | The Sacred Heart of Jesus | Thierry | Families of SBA | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Saturday 25th June 8:30 SW 12 EM | Nativity of Saint John the Baptist | Guillaume de Penguern | Canon Mora | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |
| Sunday 26th June 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30 SW | 3rd Sunday after Pentecost | Domitille de Rambures RIP | Seminarians ICKSP | Fr. Lucien Blauvac RIP |

OUR SHRINE SCHEDULE:

Monday--Saturday schedule

(NB: no Lauds, Vespers, Adoration or Confessions on Wednesday)

7:30 am Lauds and Meditation at Saint Walburge's
8:30 am Holy Mass at Saint Walburge's
12 noon Holy Mass at English Martyrs
5:30pm Vespers at St Walburge's
6pm-7pm Adoration and Benediction at St Walburge's
7pm Compline at St Walburge's
(Monday, Thursday and Friday)
9:30am to 7pm all-day Adoration (Thursday only).
Please sign up for Adoration at the end of Mass.

Sunday Schedule

9am Low Mass at English Martyrs
10:30am High Mass at Saint Walburge's
5:30pm Vespers and Benediction at SW
6:30pm Low Mass at Saint Walburge's

Confessions (Saint Walburge's)

9:15am - 9:45am (Saturday)
10am - 10:20 am (Sunday)
6pm - 6:45pm (Mon-Fri, *except Wed*)



Announcements

Sacred Music: Did you know that we have a short singing practice every Sunday at 12:15 in the upper room of the hall? Join us! All ages are welcome. No experience is necessary. Bring a smile. Contact James Walton with your questions and suggestions: prestonsacredmusic@gmail.com

Guild Sundays: There is one remaining Guild Sunday before the summer holidays, next Sunday (26th June). Bring a lunch to the hall and share with your fellow worshippers! Join us for catechetical talks at 1pm and activities afterward.

Confirmations: His Lordship, Bishop Paul Swarbrick will visit us this 17th of October to confer the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. Please approach Canon Cristofoli or Canon Post to register for preparatory classes in autumn.

Summer Fair: This year, our summer fair will be on Sunday, 31st July following the 10:30am Mass at Saint Walburge's. Proceeds will go towards the restoration of the Rose Window. We need volunteers to run stalls and donations of the following: Tombola – bottles of anything, bric-a-brac, toys, raffle prizes and lucky dip prizes. Thank you in advance for your help and enthusiasm!

Summer Schedule (Important--Please note carefully)

During the summer, there will be a reduced liturgical schedule. After the 10th July, there will be **no 6:30pm evening Mass on Sundays**. Mass will continue daily at Saint Walburge's at 8:30am. The noon Mass will also be celebrated **at Saint Walburge's** when a second priest is available during the week (please consult your newsletter to see availability). Public Vespers and Compline will be discontinued; Adoration and Confessions at 6pm each day (except Wednesday) will be maintained.

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.

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