



FROM THE SPIRE

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



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**10TH
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST**

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Dearly beloved faithful,

This week is the great feast of Our Lady's Assumption into heaven: "Mary is assumed into heaven; the angels rejoice, alleluia!" Please join us for the Solemn Mass and procession Monday evening. It is a beautiful opportunity to renew our devotion to the Blessed Mother and to seek her loving intercession for our many specific needs.

Contemplating the Blessed Virgin reminds us that holiness changes lives; holiness changes the direction of history. Our Lady did not do many great works visible to the eyes of the world. She had no Twitter account with which to let everyone know what was on her mind constantly. Her fiat, her "yes" to God's will is the instrumental cause of the Incarnation of Our Lord and the Redemption of the human race.

If all of us said a daily "fiat" to God's will, extraordinary things would happen. The reign of Jesus and Mary over Preston and over England, Our Lady's Dowry, would be wonderfully extended. May we have this firm faith as we say our Angelus prayer each day.

In Christ the King and Our Lady Queen,
Canon Post



TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

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

1 Cor. 12:2-11

Brethren: You know that when you were Gentiles, you went to dumb idols according as you were led. Wherefore I give you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God, says Anathema to Jesus. And no one can say Jesus is Lord, except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of ministries, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of workings, but the same God, Who works all things in all. Now the manifestation of the Spirit is given to everyone for profit. To one through the Spirit is given the utterance of wisdom; and to another the utterance of knowledge, according to the same Spirit; to another faith, in the same Spirit; to another the gift of healing, in the one Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another the distinguishing of spirits; to another various kinds of tongues; to another interpretation of tongues. But all these things are the work of one and the same Spirit, Who allots to everyone according as He will.

Continuation ✠ of the Holy Gospel according to Luke

R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Luke 18:9-14

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves as being just and despised others. Two men went up to the temple to pray, the one a Pharisee and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and began to pray thus within himself: 'O God, I thank You that I am not like the rest of men, robbers, dishonest, adulterers, or even like this publican. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I possess.' But the publican, standing afar off, would not so much as lift up his eyes to heaven, but kept striking his breast, saying, 'O God, be merciful to me the sinner!' I tell you, this man went back to his home justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled, and he who humbles himself shall be exalted.

Collection figures (Sunday 7th August)

SW Collection £ 536.70

SW Bank transfers £ 578.00

SW Donations £ 105.00

SW Total £ 1219.70

EM Collection £ 108.85

Our Safeguarding representative:

****Mr. Peter Dilworth****

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Publication of Banns of Marriage:

There is a proposed marriage between Mr Jack Thomas Downes and Miss Anna Cannell. If you know of any impediment to this marriage, please contact Canon Cristofoli. The ceremony is scheduled for Saturday 10th September at St Walburge's.

Our prayer intentions this week:

For our sick members: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Trevor Dale, Anita, Trevor. Mark and Ligaya McKay, Arthur and Maxine Frankland. The residents of Swansea Terrace.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kay Taylor who recently passed away.
Pray for peace!

Date	Ordo	Canon Cristofoli	Canon Post	Canon Ducret
Sunday 14th August 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 5.30pm Vespers and Benediction	10th Sunday after Pentecost	Bignell Marriage Anniversary	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Gilles Loubens and his wife RIP
Monday 15th August 8:30 SW 6pm SW Procession	The Assumption of Our Lady	Mr and Mrs Shutt	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Conversion of sinners
Tuesday 16th August 8:30 SW 12 noon SW	St. Joachim Father of the BVM	Kay Taylor RIP	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Mr Loubens
Wednesday 17th August 8:30 SW ***9:30 SW***	St. Hyacinth	Kay Taylor RIP	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Gerardo Scarano RIP
Thursday 18th August 8:30 SW 12 noon SW	Mass of the Assumption (St. Agapitus)	Leon RIP	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Joyce and Andrew Shufflebotham RIP
Friday 19th August 8:30 SW 12 noon SW	St. John Eudes	Helen Towers RIP	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Jim Aherne RIP
Saturday 20th August 8:30 SW 12 noon SW	St. Bernard	John Towers RIP	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Barbara and Ursula Hurstwick
Sunday 21st August 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 5.30pm Vespers and Benediction	St. Jane Frances de Chantal (11th Sunday)	Rev. Fr Ged Callacher	Juliana Amaldas RIP	Anne Evans RIP

OUR SHRINE SUMMER SCHEDULE:

St Walburge's opens daily at 8am and closes at 7pm.

On Sunday, the church opens at 10 am and closes at 6.30pm

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 other 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 and Saturday) will be maintained.

Saturday, Confessions after Holy Mass as usual. Thursday all-day Adoration will resume in September.



Announcements

Confirmations: His Lordship, Bishop Paul Swarbrick will visit us this 10th of October to confer the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. Please approach Canon Cristofoli or Canon Post to register for preparatory classes in autumn.

Confirmation Class: Saturday classes will be held on the 17th and 24th of September and 1st of October, 2-3pm at St Walburge's Hall. Before the end of August, please provide a copy of the confirmand's baptismal certificate as well as the name and proof of confirmation for his or her sponsor.

Feast of the Assumption: Monday, 15th August is the great feast of Our Lady's Assumption into Heaven. There will be a Low Mass at 8:30am at Saint Walburge's as usual. The High Mass will be at 6pm at Saint Walburge's, followed by a procession in honour of Our Lady.

Visiting the Spire: Have you climbed the Spire of Saint Walburge's? Do you have a friend who has never ascended into the clouds above Preston? Come to Spire in Summer this Saturday, 20 August between 4-8 pm. Tickets may be purchased at Eventbrite. See Mrs. Maria Platt for details.

Registration is now open for the Visit of the relics of St Bernadette in England: <https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/>

The St Bernadette Relic Tour offers a special once in a lifetime opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

The venues hosting St Bernadette's relics have a fixed capacity for visitors. To ensure the comfort and safety of pilgrims, visitors are asked to register their attendance, choosing a dedicated timeslot at a church or cathedral of their choice.

Please note that registration times to visit St Bernadette's Relics are a guide only. People across our community will journey in prayer to visit the Relics. While every effort will be made to minimise waiting times, pilgrims may have to queue and are encouraged to include this possibility when planning their visit.

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