

FROM THE SPIRE



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



St Walburge's New Year's Eve Party!

$\frac{Saturday\ 31st\ December\ 6:15pm}{Stonyhurst}$

Adoration from 6:15pm and Benediction @7:15pm in St Peter's Church,
Stonyhurst
Followed by food, drinks, games and

Followed by food, drinks, games and dancing at Theodore House, Stonyhurst

Includes: canapes and prosecco on arrival, champagne at midnight Bring food to share. Bring-your-own-drinks. Bar available at TH.

Cost: £20 per adult; children go free

Sign up on EventBrite via "shorturl.at/fsxRU" or email bookings@theodorehouse.com Cash payment at the door

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07927965696 Rev. Can. Cristofoli 07856720900 Rev. Can. Post 07878170587 Rev. Can. Ducret preston@icrsp.org Dearly beloved faithful,

Our entire community wishes you a most Merry Christmas.

Let us end 2022 and begin the new year in a spirit of prayer and recollection by attending adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There are two possibilities proposed: St Peter's at Stonyhurst (6:15pm) or here at Saint Walburge's (11pm) on the 31st of December.

We wish happy holidays to our candidates. Please note carefully the special liturgical schedule for the week after Christmas, as your dear canons also have need of some holidays! Thank you to all of you for your generous and thoughtful Christmas cards and gifts. This year, as always, Guiness has not been forgotten --woof! woof!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

In Our Infant King,

Canon Cristofoli Canon Post Canon Ducret





TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL Christmas Day Mass (3rd Mass)

Lesson from the letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Hebrews Hebrews 1:1-12

God, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, last of all in these days has spoken to us by His Son, Whom He appointed heir of all things, by Whom also He made the world; Who, being the brightness of His glory and the image of His substance, and upholding all things by the word of His power, has effected man's purgation from sin and taken His seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much superior to the angels as He has inherited a more excellent name than they. For to which of the angels has He ever said, You are My Son, I this day have begotten You? and again, I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son? And again, when He brings the firstborn into the world, He says, And let all the angels of God adore Him. And of the angels indeed He says, He makes His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. But of the Son, Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and a sceptre of equity is the sceptre of Your kingdom. You have loved justice and hated iniquity; therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness above Your fellows. And, You in the beginning, O Lord, did found the earth, and the heavens are works of Your hands. They shall perish, but You shall continue; and they shall all grow old as does a garment, and as a vesture shall You change them, and they shall be changed. But You are the same, and Your years shall not fail.

Continuation + of the Holy Gospel according to John John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God; and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him was made nothing that has been made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness; and the darkness grasped it not. There was a man, one sent from God, whose name was John. This man came as a witness, to bear witness concerning the light, that all might believe through him. He was not himself the light, but was to bear witness to the light. It was the true light that enlightens every man who comes into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But to as many as received Him He gave the power of becoming sons of God; to those who believe in His name: who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh Genuflect, and dwelt among us. And we saw His glory - glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father - full of grace and of truth.

4th December

SW Collection £589.42 Bank Transfer £850.79 EM Collection £120.00

11th December

SW Collection £383.14 Bank Transfer £295.00 Special collection £109.43 EM Collection £93.10

Last Sunday's Collection (18th December)

SW Collection £402.56 Bank Transfer £695.00

EM Collection £70.62

Thank you!

Our prayer intentions this week:

*For our sick members:

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Trevor Dale, Anita. Mark and Ligaya McKay, Arthur and Maxine Frankland, Wendy, William.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Robert Ellis, the father of Rev Mother Madeleine-Marie.

*The residents of Swansea Terrace.

*For the repose of the soul of Winifred, resident at Swansea terrace.

*For the repose of the soul of Fr. Robert Martin, of the diocese of Buffalo, New York.

Publication of Banns of Marriage:

There is a proposed marriage between Mr Joshua Dawson and Miss Bethany Winrow, if you know of any impediment to this marriage, please contact Canon Cristofoli.

The ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, 11th February 2023 at English Martyr's

Our Safeguarding representative:

Mr. Peter Dilworth

You may contact Peter in person or by email: safeguarding.stwalburge@gmail.com

Date	Ordo	Canon Cristofoli	Canon Post	Canon Ducret
Sunday 25th December 9:00 EM 10:30 (High Mass) SW 12 (Low Mass) SW	The Holy Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ	Pro Populo ICKSP Bishop Swarbrick	1) Holy Souls 3) Amy McGuire 3) Post and Parnell families	Cardinal BurkeHoly ChurchSW community
Monday 26th December 8:30 SW 5:15pm SW 6pm Adoration	Saint Stephen (Octave of Christmas)	Rene et Monique Monceyron RIP	Peter Gaffney RIP	Canon Laurent Loriot
Tuesday 27th December * <u>No 8:30 Mass</u> * 5:15pm SW 6pm Adoration	Saint John the Evangelist (Octave of Christmas)	Irene and Edward Sheridan	Sister Jean-Marie	Fr. Emmanuel Roland- Gosselin
Wednesday 28th December * 12 noon only SW *	The Holy Innocents (Octave of Christmas)	Thierry	Jeremy McCowen RIP	Gautier and Emeline
Thursday 29th December 12 EM 5:15pm SW 6pm Adoration	St Thomas of Canterbury (Octave of Christmas)	Domitille de Rambures RIP	Canon Montjean	Abraham
Friday 30th December 5:15 pm SW 6pm Adoration	Octave of Christmas	Thierry	David Parr RIP	Mathilde and Eloi
Saturday 31st December 8:30 SW 12 SW	Octave of Christmas (Saint Sylvester)	Thierry	Mass of Thanksgiving	Mass of Thanksgiving
Sunday 1st January 9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30pm SW	Circumcision of Our Lord	William	Msgr Wach	James Halsall RIP

OUR SHRINE SCHEDULE:

PLEASE CONSULT THE NEWSLETTER FOR FEASTDAYS

Octave of Christmas 26th December--1st January:

Please read carefully Mass and Adoration times during the Christmas Holidays!

Church opening times: 11am-7pm

Monday, 26th December: 8:30am Mass (SW) and 5:15pm Mass at SW followed by 6-7pm Adoration.

Tuesday, 27th December: 5:15pm Mass at SW followed by 6-7pm Adoration.

Wednesday, 28th December: 12 noon Mass at SW; 6pm Christmas Party in English Martyrs' Hall.

Thursday, 29th December: 12 noon Mass at EM, Feast of St Thomas. 5.15pm Mass at SW followed by 6-7pm Adoration.

No daytime Adoration on Thursday

Friday, 30th December: 5:15 Mass at SW followed by 6-7pm Adoration.

Saturday, 31st December: 8:30am Mass at SW; 12 noon Mass at SW; 11pm-Midnight (SW) Adoration and Te Deum in

thanksgiving for the year's blessings, followed by a social in the hall with mulled wine and hot chocolate.

Sunday, 1st January: 9am Low Mass at EM; 10:30 High Mass at SW; 5:30pm Vespers (SW); 6:30pm Low Mass (SW).

Resumption of normal Mass and Office times next week



Announcements

<u>Guild Sundays:</u> Packed lunch at noon; catechism at 1pm; activities at 1:45. Next guild: 22nd January.

<u>Christmas Party:</u> Wednesday 28th December, 6pm at **English Martyrs**. Traditional party with games, bingo, crafts and party food. £5 or £20 for a family.

31st of December: Adoration at Stonyhurst (see front).

11pm-Midnight Adoration and *Te Deum* at SW. Followed by mulled wine and hot chocolate!

<u>1st of January (New Year's Day):</u> The Circumcision of Our Lord. Normal Sunday Mass schedule--the 6:30pm Mass will be resumed as usual.

<u>Single Catholics Meet-up Group:</u> This is the first Meetup group of it's kind in the North West of England! A walking group specifically for single practicing Catholics and those who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith. See Sean Kerr for more details

https://www.meetup.com/catholic-northwest-walking-group/



To Donate:

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