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



SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

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TTO

Yours in Christ the King, Canon Cristofoli

Dearly beloved faithful,

As you know, our church of St Walburge was established as a shrine in 2014 for the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This vocation is local but also diocesan, because the Church in the person of the Bishop has asked us to have a focus of adoration and prayer before Jesus our Lord truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I would like to urge you to remember this vocation with us. We have the daily adoration, the Thursday all-day adoration and soon the 40 hours, which, with the feast of Corpus Christi, is the culmination of this specific vocation. We will continuously adore the Blessed Sacrament, exposed from Sunday 19th at 6pm until Tuesday 21st, 7:15pm.

Please register in order to organize a constant watch of honor and love and prayer at the feet of Jesus. Please be generous. The night prayer is particularly beautiful--to be face to face in the silence and immensity of St. Walburge's before Jesus who waits for us, a prisoner of his Love. A good Lent begins on your knees!







TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL Sexagesima Sunday

Lesson from the second letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians 2 Cor. 11:19-33; 12:1-9

[...] I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago - whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows - such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows that he was caught up into paradise and heard secret words that man may not repeat. Of such a man I will boast; but of myself I will glory in nothing save in my infirmities. For if I do wish to boast, I shall not be foolish; for I shall be speaking the truth. But I forbear, lest any man should reckon me beyond what he sees in me or hears from me. And lest the greatness of the revelations should puff me up, there was given me a thorn for the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to buffet me. Concerning this I thrice besought the Lord that it might leave me. And He has said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness. Gladly therefore I will glory in my infirmities, that the strength of Christ may dwell in me.

Continuation ¥ of the Holy Gospel according to Luke Luke 8:4-15

At that time, when a very great crowd was gathering together and men from every town were resorting to Jesus. He said in a parable: The sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air ate it up. And other seed fell upon the rock, and as soon as it had sprung up it withered away, because it had no moisture. And other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. And other seed fell upon good ground, and sprang up and yielded fruit a hundredfold. As He said these things He cried out, He who has ears to hear, let him hear! But His disciples then began to ask Him what this parable meant, He said to them, To you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: the seed is the word of God. And those by the wayside are they who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. Now those upon the rock are they who, when they have heard, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, but believe for a while, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among the thorns, these are they who have heard, and as they go their way are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not ripen. But that upon good ground, these are they who, with a right and good heart, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bear fruit in patience.

Marriage of Mr and Mrs Joshua Dawson:

Last Saturday, 11th February was celebrated the Wedding of Mr Joshua and Mrs Bethany Dawson. Many happy years to you and may God bless your marriage!

Baptism of Wilfred Downes

Baby Wilfred will be baptised today (Sunday) at Saint Walburge's at 12.15pm. Deo Gratias!

Our Safeguarding representative:

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

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.

For João Almeida and Martin Henry, ordained to the priesthood on the 29th January.

*The residents of Swansea Terrace.

*For the repose of the soul of Cardinal Pell and Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

7:30 Morning Prayer Canon Cristofoli: Thierry Monday 13th February 8:30 SW 12:00 EM 5:30pm Vespers Canon Post: David Mitchell RIP Feria of Sexagesima Confession: 6pm SW 6-7pm Adoration Canon Ducret: Gabrielle and Trinity (Votive Masses) 7pm Compline conversions 7:30 Morning Prayer Canon Cristofoli: Domitille Tuesday 14th February 5:30pm Vespers 8:30 SW 12:00 EM Canon Post: Walther Intentions Saint Valentine 6-7pm Adoration Confession: 6pm SW Canon Ducret: Michael Osbaldeston RIP 7pm Compline Canon Cristofoli: Leon RIP Wednesday 15th Mass Only February 8:30 SW 12:00 SW Canon Post: Michael Osbaldeston RIP Church closes 7pm Canon Ducret: Thomas and Dagmara Ss Faustinus and Jovita 7:30 Morning Prayer Canon Cristofoli: Paule RIP Thursday 16th February 8:30 SW 12:00 EM 9am-7pm Adoration Feria of Sexagesima Canon Post: Walther Intentions Confession: 6pm SW 5:30pm Vespers (Votive Masses) Canon Ducret: Mrs. Nina Bannerman 7pm Compline

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Offices and

Devotions

8:00 Morning Prayer

5:30pm Vespers and

Benediction

Mass Intentions

Can. Cristofoli: Gregorian Masses Ian Richarson

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Canon Post: Forgotten and

Canon Ducret: Betty Suzart

Canon Post: Robert Ellis RIP

Canon Post: St Joseph Intentions

Canon Ducret: David Pope

Neglected Intentions

Canon Cristofoli: James Anthony Whelan

Canon Post: Benjamin Reese

Canon Ducret: Sister Jean-Marie

Mass and

Confession Times

Confession: 10-10:30 SW

9:00 EM 10:30 SW

8:30 SW 12:00 EM

Confession: 6pm SW

8:30 SW 12:00 SW

9:00 EM 10:30 SW

6:30pm SW

Confession: 9:15-9:45 SW

6:30pm SW

Ordo

Sunday 12th February

Sexagesima Sunday





Friday 17th February

Feria of Sexagesima

(Votive Masses)

Saturday 18th February

Our Lady on Saturday

Sunday 19th February

Quinquagesima Sunday











Announcements

<u>Guild Sundays:</u> Packed lunch at noon; catechism at 1pm; activities at 1:45. Next guilds: 12 February, 26 February, 12 March and 26 March.

<u>Ladies' group</u>, Saturday 25th February 3.30pm and <u>Men's group</u> Saturday 25th 7.30pm: Canon Cristofoli will continue the series on the 7 deadly sins with C.S. Lewis. Join us for fun and fellowship!

40 Hours Adoration: From Sunday 19th February 6pm to Tuesday 21st February 7:15pm, please register at the rear of the church.

<u>WhatsApp and Signal</u>: Did you know our parish community has several WhatsApp and Signal groups? Keep in touch with other members of the community and receive updates and feast day reminders. Please let Canon Post know if you would like to be invited to our groups +07856720900.

<u>Saint Joseph Masses:</u> Beginning on the 19th of February, a series of 30 Masses will be celebrated for our *natural* and spiritual fathers, both living and deceased. For those who would like to participate, please submit your list of intentions to Canon Post along with a donation. The intentions will be entrusted to Saint Joseph. The donations collected will go toward the expenses of candidate formation, in order to help prepare a new generation of spiritual fathers!

<u>Spiritual direction/Meeting a priest:</u> If you would like to seek spiritual direction, catechism or other pastoral support, contact Canon Cristofoli or Canon Post using the mobile numbers listed on the front of the newsletter.

First solemn Mass of Rev Canon Almeida at St Walburge's, Sunday 26th February 10.30am foolowed by his first blessings.

Bank transfers, offertory envelopes and Gift Aid

If you started giving by bank transfer in the last year, please can you complete a GDPR form so that we can keep in touch with you and thank you for your generosity. If anyone is a taxpayer and has not signed up for Gift Aid on their donations, please could you complete a Gift Aid form so that we can claim back 25% of your giving from HMRC. This is a huge help to the apostolate, especially with so many building renovations still to be completed. Offertory envelopes are also available for weekly giving and can be Gift Aided too. For forms and offertory envelopes, please give your name, address and contact number to one of the Canons. Thank you.

Last Week's Collection's: SW £505.35, bank transfers £675.00, total £1180.35. EM £59.37.

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.