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



FEAST OF SS. JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE

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My dear friends,

Yesterday our dear Canon Post left for Ireland, where he will be providing chaplaincy at a summer camp. On Monday 17th, Canon Post and Canon Ducret will be enjoying a well-deserved holiday.

Thank you to my two young confreres for a pastoral year rich in the graces of their ministry and their priestly friendship.

I'll be on my own from next weekend, so you'll have to be a little more patient with me.

Forgive me in advance if I'm a little slower than usual to react to your messages! Be careful to consult the newsletter because there are some changes to your pious habits!

I would like to conclude with congratulations to Abbe Joseph McCowen who was ordained subdeacon last Wednesday, July 5. Deo Gratias et ad multos annos.

God bless you!
Canon Cristofoli

Nota Bene: All noon Masses during the week will be at St Walburge's.

TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Feast of Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More

Lesson from the Second Book of Machabees

2 Machab. 6, 18-28

In those days, Eleazar one of the chief of the scribes, a man advanced in years, and of a comely countenance, was pressed to open his mouth to eat swine's flesh. But he, choosing rather a most glorious death than a hateful life, went forward voluntarily to the torment. And considering in what manner he was come to it, patiently bearing, he determined not to do any unlawful things for the love of life. But they that stood by, being moved with wicked pity, for the old friendship they had with the man, taking him aside, desired that flesh might be brought, which it was lawful for him to eat, that he might make as if he had eaten, as the king had commanded of the flesh of the sacrifice: That by so doing he might be delivered from death: and for the sake of their old friendship with the man they did him this courtesy. But he began to consider the dignity of his age, and his ancient years, and the inbred honour of his grey head, and his good life and conversation from a child: and he answered without delay, according to the ordinances of the holy law made by God, saying, that he would rather be sent into the other world. For it doth not become our age, said he, to dissemble: whereby many young persons might think that Eleazar, at the age of fourscore and ten years, was gone over to the life of the heathens: And so they, through my dissimulation, and for a little time of a corruptible life, should be deceived, and hereby I should bring a stain and a curse upon my old age. For though, for the present time, I should be delivered from the punishments of men, yet should I not escape the hand of the Almighty neither alive nor dead. Wherefore by departing manfully out of this life, I shall shew myself worthy of my old age: And I shall leave an example of fortitude to young men, if with a ready mind and constancy I suffer an honourable death, for the most venerable and most holy laws. And having spoken thus, he was forthwith carried to execution.

Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint John

Joann. 10, 23-30

At that time, Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. The Jews therefore came round about him, and said to him: How long dost thou hold our souls in suspense? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. Jesus answered them: I speak to you, and you believe not: the works that I do in the name of my Father, they give testimony of me. But you do not believe, because you are not of my sheep. My sheep hear my voice: and I know them, and they follow me. And I give them life everlasting; and they shall not perish for ever, and no man shall pluck them out of my hand. That which my Father hath given me, is greater than all: and no one can snatch them out of the hand of my Father. I and the Father are one.



Today only! Following Mass on Sunday, we will be joined by Marcela and Agnieska of the "Pious Lady Shop" (piousladyshop@gmail.com) who will be offering a variety of scapulars, veils and mantillas. Please contact them by email if you are looking for anything in particular or have other requeststext

Our prayer intentions this week:

For our sick members: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Anita.
Mark and Ligaya McKay,
Arthur and Maxine Frankland, William.
and for the residents of Swansea Terrace.
Recovery of Bob Latin who suffered a stroke.

Thanksgiving Priestly Ordination of Canon Post (4years),
Canon Ducret (2years), Canon Cristofoli (19years).

Ordo	Mass and Confession Times	Offices and Devotions	Mass Intentions
Sunday 09/07 Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More (6th after Pentecost)	9:00 EM 10:30 SW ***NO EVENING MASS*** Conf: 10-10:30 SW	5:30pm Vespers and Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Walther family Canon Ducret: Peter Sheridan
Monday 10/07 The Seven Holy Brothers	8:30 SW **12 Noon SW** Confessions: 6pm	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration 7pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Jeffrey and Maryellen Post Canon Ducret: Dagmara and Thomas
Tuesday 11/07 Saint Pius I	8:30 SW **12 Noon SW** Confessions: 6pm	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration 7pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Mary Carr and children
Wednesday 12/07 Saint John Gualbert	8:30 Mass SW 9:15 Mass SW **NO NOON MASS**	No evening devotions Church closed at 12noon.	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Private intention
Thursday 13/07 **Feria**	8:30 SW **12 Noon SW** Confessions: 6pm	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Richard Lawler
Friday 14/07 Saint Bonaventure	8:30 SW **12 Noon SW** Confessions: 6pm	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration 7pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Ella Kaminski
Saturday 15/07 Saint Henry	8:30 SW **NO NOON MASS* 9:15 Confession	6pm Adoration	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Esther
Sunday 16/07 7th Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 EM 10:30 SW ***NO EVENING MASS*** Conf: 10-10:30 SW	5:30pm Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Sister Dominica's Intentions Canon Ducret: Lucy Doherty



Announcements



Connect with your fellow parishioners! If you would like to join one of our WhatsApp or Signal groups, please contact Canon Post at 07856 720900. Groups on Signal: *The Spire and the Martyrs*, *The Spire Men's Club* and *TheSpirePrayerGroup*. On WhatsApp: *St. Walburge's*.

****Summer fair grand prize!** "Danny" with blue raffle tickets 446-450 was the winner of first prize (dinner with the Canons featuring homecooked French cuisine). Please come and claim your prize!**

Summer Schedule: There will be **NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS (6:30pm)** during the months of July and August. Please plan accordingly. The final evening Mass before autumn will be on **2 July**.

**Likewise, please note that all Masses during the week will be at Saint Walburge's, unless otherwise indicated in the newsletter.

Adoration in July: Our normal evening hour (6pm) of Adoration will be maintained throughout the month of July. Take advantage of this opportunity to receive many graces! On the other hand, the **all-day Thursday adoration will be temporarily suspended**. Consult the newsletter in August for resumption of this devotion.

The Saint Benedict Academy: Saint Benedict's opens its doors for academic year 2023-2024 on Thursday, 7 September. If you would like to enrol a child or get involved, please contact Canon Post at saintbenedicts@icksp.org.uk

8th and 9th July: Following the Saturday noon Mass and each Mass on Sunday, we will be joined by Marcela and Agnieszka of the "Pious Lady Shop" (piousladyshop@gmail.com) who will be offering a variety of scapulars, veils and mantillas. Please contact them by email if you are looking for anything in particular or have other requests.

Saturday, 15 July--Youth Group Walk: More information soon!

Our Safeguarding Representative: Mr. Peter Dilworth--**please note a change in the email address**, all safeguarding concerns should now be reported to: peter.dilworth@icksp.org.uk. See Church notice board for further safeguarding information.

Last week's collections: SW:£916.87. Bank transfers: £720.00. EM:£191.99
The recent summer fair raised £2018.00

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