



FROM THE SPIRE



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



Congratulations to Rev Father Etienne and Rev Father Billing on their appointments respectively as parish priest of St Joseph, Preston and rector of the Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham

My dear Friends,

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

One of your priests' obsessions is coping with the coming winter! We have to start thinking about it now!

Presbytery: We can hardly afford the cost of heating the 18 rooms in the presbytery. Last year we heated it for 2 hours in the morning and 2 hours in the evening. We have fireplaces in most of the common rooms; we gladly accept donations of smokeless fuel and any other support!

Church: we've been working for 3 years on a project that is about to take shape. A heated bench system. To put it briefly, each bench will be fitted with a heating pad and the blood circulation will do the rest. We tested the system with Canon Ducret and found it very convincing. The cost of using it for 2 hours is around £5 for the whole of St Walburge's Church!

An investment of £35,000 is required. The apostolate can invest half the sum, but we need you for the other half...£35,000 divided by 120 benches = £292 per bench. It will make such a difference, we won't waste money heating the ceiling, and it will really warm you.

Winter chapel: we're continuing our work to build a heated, comfortable weekday chapel, suitable for adoration, daily mass and recollection...

Thank you for all your help and encouragement.

This week, I have the joy to welcome Pierre my Godson, his parents Remi and Elisabeth and his siblings Louise, Guy, Mariette, Madeleine, Cecile, Jacques and Clotilde at Saint Walburge's Presbytery; a busy house again!

God bless you! In Christo Rege, your Rector

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TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

9th Sunday after Pentecost

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

1 Cor. 10:6-13

Brethren: We should not lust after evil things even as they lusted. And do not become idolaters, even as some of them were, as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, even as some of them committed fornication, and there fell in one day twenty-three thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them tempted, and perished by the serpents. Neither murmur, as some of them murmured, and perished at the hands of the destroyer. Now all these things happened to them as a type, and they were written for our correction, upon whom the final age of the world has come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. May no temptation take hold of you but such as man is equal to. God is faithful and will not permit you to be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also give you a way out that you may be able to bear it.

Continuation ✠ of the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 19:41-47

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jerusalem and saw the city, He wept over it, saying, If you had known, in this your day, even you, the things that are for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a rampart about you, and surround you and shut you in on every side, and will dash you to the ground and your children within you, and will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you have not known the time of your visitation. And He entered the temple, and began to cast out those who were selling and buying in it, saying to them, It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of thieves. And He was teaching daily in the temple.

Part 2 APOSTOLIC LETTER, Rome, Saint John Lateran, 28.12. 2022

TOTUM AMORIS EST
OF THE HOLY FATHER
FRANCIS
ON THE FOURTH CENTENARY OF THE DEATH
OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

“EVERYTHING PERTAINS TO LOVE”.

In this light, we can understand why Saint Francis de Sales felt that there was no better place to find God, and to help others to find him, than in the hearts of the women and men of his time. He had learned this, from his earliest years, by developing a keen insight both into himself and into the human heart. Francis' profound sense of God's presence amid the events of daily life was evident in those last days in

Lyon. He shared with his Visitation Sisters how he wished to be remembered by them: “I said everything in just two words, when I told you to refuse nothing and to desire nothing; I have nothing more to say to you”. This was no mere voluntarism, “a will lacking humility”, the subtle temptation along the path to holiness that confuses it with self-justification, the worship of the human will and its powers, and results in “a self-centred and elitist complacency, bereft of true love”. Still less was it a matter of pure quietism, a passive and emotionless abandonment to a doctrine stripped of the flesh and history. Instead, it was the fruit of his contemplation of the life of the incarnate Son.

On 26 December, the saint spoke to the Sisters from the heart of the Christmas mystery: “Do you see the baby Jesus in the crib? He accepts all the discomforts of that season, the bitter cold and everything that the Father lets happen to him. He does not refuse the small consolations that his Mother gives him; we are not told that he ever reached out for his Mother's breast, but left everything to her care and concern. So too, we ourselves should neither desire nor refuse anything, but accept all that God sends us, the bitter cold and the discomforts of the season”. We are struck by how Francis recognised the importance of concern for the human dimension. At the school of the incarnation, he had learned to interpret history and to approach life with confidence and trust.



GUILD OF ST. CLARE

Discover the Guild of Saint
Clare
next 30th September
10.30am

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
and for his wife Jane.

Ordo	Mass and Confession Times	Offices and Devotions	Mass Intentions
Sunday 30/07 9th Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 EM 10:30 SW *** NO EVENING MASS ***	5:30pm Rosary & Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Monday 31/07 St Ignatius	8:30 SW ** NO NOON MASS ** Confessions: 6pm	6pm Adoration	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Kenneth Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Tuesday 01/08 Holy Machabees	8:30 SW ** NO NOON MASS ** Confessions: 6pm	6pm Adoration	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Edith Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Wednesday 02/08 St Alphonsus Maria Liguori	8:30 Mass SW ** NO NOON MASS **	No evening devotions Church closed at 12noon.	Canon Cristofoli: Thanks Giving R&R Asch Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Greg Mass Edith Richardson
Thursday 03/08 Votive Mass of the Angels	8:30 SW ** NO NOON MASS **	<u>No evening devotions</u> <u>Church closed at 10am.</u>	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Edith Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Friday 04/08 St Dominic	8:30 SW ** NO NOON MASS **	<u>No evening devotions</u> <u>Church closed at 10am.</u>	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Edith Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Saturday 05/08 Dedication of St Mary of the Snows	8:30 SW ** NO NOON MASS ** 9:15 Confession	6pm Adoration	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Edith Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory
Sunday 06/08 Transfiguration of the Lord	9:00 EM 10:30 SW *** NO EVENING MASS ***	5:30pm Rosary & Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Greg Mass Edith Richardson Canon Post: Canon Ducret: Souls in purgatory



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 Schedule: There will be **NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS (6:30pm)** during the months of July and August. Please plan accordingly.

**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

Visit our new website and share it! <https://www.saintbenedictspreston.com/>

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:£479.04 Bank transfers: £350.00 Donation: £20.00 EM:£109.75

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

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