



FROM THE SPIRE



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



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT & THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Dearly beloved faithful,

In our Institute, we always prepare the feast of the Immaculate Conception with particular solemnity. It has been gratifying to see how many of you have braved the cold weather in order to participate in the novena. Surely Our Lady will recompense such efforts!

A pious practice for the great feasts is to ask for a particular grace. What might you ask of Jesus in honour of His Mother's conception? What graces do we need to live in holy preparation for the Nativity of Our Lord?

We have two additional motives for joy this coming Friday. First, the Sisters will be singing the evening Mass with the children of our community. It is wonderful to hear these young voices giving glory to God. Also, we will celebrate the First Communion of Mary Fetherston. Congratulations Mary! May all of our children remain every close to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Wishing you a happy feast and blessed Advent,
Canon Post

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TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

1st Sunday of Advent

Lesson from the letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Romans

Rom 13:11-14

Brethren: Understand, for it is now the hour for us to rise from sleep, because now our salvation is nearer than when we came to believe. The night is far advanced; the day is at hand. Let us therefore lay aside the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in debauchery and wantonness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Continuation ✠ of the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 21:25-33

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations bewildered by the roaring of sea and waves; men fainting for fear and for expectation of the things that are coming on the world; for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the son of Man coming upon a cloud with great power and majesty. but when these things begin to come to pass, look up, and lift up your heads, because your redemption is at hand. And He spoke to them a parable. Behold the fig tree, and all the trees. When they now put forth their buds, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things coming to pass, know that the kingdom of God is near. Amen I say to you, this generation will not pass away till all things have been accomplished. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

Our prayer intentions this week:

For our sick members:

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Anita.

Mark and Ligaya McKay, Peter, Bob, Will

Arthur and Maxine Frankland, William,

Fleur Williams.

Please in your charity, pray for Bernadette

Lindsay who passed away recently RIP.

For the residents of Swansea Terrace and

Moor Park House.

For deceased friends, family and benefactors of
the Institute. For members of the Society of the

Sacred Heart.

Novena to the Immaculate Conception

29th November--7th December.

5:30pm Vespers followed by a sermon (6pm) in
honour of Our Lady by guest preachers,
concluding with Solemn Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament. This year's theme: Different
forms of devotion to the
Blessed Virgin Mary.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, 8th December

8:30 Low Mass (SW)

12 noon Low Mass (EM)

5:30pm Solemn Vespers (SW)

6:30pm Consecration and Solemn Mass (SW)



Ordo	Mass and Confession Times	Offices and Devotions	Mass Intentions
Sunday 3/XII First Sunday of Advent	9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30pm SW Confessions: 10am SW	8:00am Lauds 5:30pm Vespers, Benediction & Novena	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Novena of thanksgiving Canon Ducret: Mary McGee
Monday 4/XII St Peter Chrysologus	8:30 Mass SW 12 noon EM Confessions: 6:30 SW	7.30am Lauds 5:30pm Vespers 6pm Immaculate Conception Novena	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Novena of thanksgiving Canon Ducret: Platt Pious list
Tuesday 5/XII Advent Feria (St Sabbas)	8:30 Mass SW 12 noon EM Confessions: 6:30 SW	7.30am Lauds 5:30pm Vespers 6pm Immaculate Conception Novena	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Novena of thanksgiving Canon Ducret: Hervé Ducret RIP
Wednesday 6/XII St Nicolas	8:30 Mass SW *12 noon <u>SW</u>*	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Immaculate Conception Novena	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Novena of thanksgiving Canon Ducret: Hervé Ducret RIP
Thursday 7/XII First Thursday (St Ambrose)	8:30 Mass SW 12 noon EM Confessions: 6:30 SW	7.30am Lauds *9:15-6:15pm Adoration* 5:30 Vespers 6:00 Immaculate Conception Novena	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Novena of thanksgiving Canon Ducret: Hervé Ducret RIP
Friday 8/XII The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8:30 Low Mass SW 12:00 Low Mass EM 6:30 Solemn Mass SW Confessions: 6:15 SW	7.00am Solemn Lauds 5:30pm Solemn Vespers	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Msgr Wach Canon Ducret: Christian de Courcel RIP
Saturday 9/XII Advent Feria (Rorate Mass of Our Lady)	6:30 Rorate Mass SW 8:30 SW 12:00 SW Confessions 9:15 SW	7.30am Lauds 5:30pm Vespers 6:00pm Adoration 7:00pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Novena Lord Moylan Canon Post: Walther family intentions Canon Ducret: Michel Rebillard RIP
Sunday 10/XII Second Sunday of Advent	9:00 EM 10:30 SW 6:30pm SW Conf: 10-10:30 SW	8:00am Lauds 5:30pm Vespers and Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: Novena GZ Canon Post: Kathleen Kellett RIP Canon Ducret: Michel Rebillard RIP



Announcements

Saint Walburge's Guilds/Catechism Sundays: Our family Sundays will resume in January (14th and 28th). Bring a packed lunch to the church hall following High Mass. Catechetical talks for children of all ages and adults begin at 1pm.

Novena to the Immaculate Conception: 29th November--7th December. 5:30pm Vespers followed by a sermon (6pm) in honour of Our Lady by guest preachers, concluding with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This year's theme: Devotions and prayers in honour of the Blessed Virgin.

Rorate Caeli Mass: Saturday, 9th December 6:30am. A traditional Advent Mass by candlelight in honour of Our Lady.

Christmas Bazaar: Sunday 10th December. Volunteers are needed to run stalls! Please contact one of the canons. We are also seeking goods for the bazaar: bottles, bric-a-brac, raffle prizes, toys. Please bring to the presbytery as soon as possible.

Christmas Carol Concert: Friday, 15th December, 6pm. You are invited to join us for this highlight event and to help promote it within the community.

Gaudete Sunday: Sunday, 17th December. We look forward with joy to the baptism, confirmation and first communion of Amy Poulson at the 10:30am High Mass! Please keep Amy in your prayers.

Piety shop: Now in stock: Christmas cards and tree decorations, advent candles, calendars and more!

Our Safeguarding Representative: Mr. Peter Dilworth--peter.dilworth@icksp.org.uk. See Church notice board for further safeguarding information.

Last week's collections: SW: £779.24 Bank transfers: £350.00 EM: £103.01

Christmas Schedule: Sunday, 24 December (Vigil of Christmas) *NO 6:30pm Evening Mass.*****

8:30pm Matins service at Saint Walburge's. 11:15pm Traditional English Christmas Carols (SW).

Monday, 25 December (The Holy Nativity of Our Lord): 12am Solemn Mass of Midnight (SW).

8:30am Low Mass (2nd Mass of Christmas--Mass of the Dawn) at Saint Walburge's.

10:30am Solemn Mass (3rd Mass of Christmas--Mass of the Day) at Saint Walburge's.

5:30pm Solemn Second Vespers of the Nativity at SW. See ICKSP website for full listings.



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