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# FROM THE SPIRE



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

Sunday's Recessional Hymn # 468



### **Presbytery Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9:30-12 and 2-5

#### Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre

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### GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

Two weeks after Easter, the Church proposes to us the Gospel of the Good Shepherd, the perennial image of the pastor provided by Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

At a time when Israel had become extremely decadent in both her political and religious leadership and the nation was threatened with destruction at the hands of the Babylonians, God made this promise through the mouth of the Prophet Jeremiah: "Return, O ye revolting children, saith the Lord: for I am your husband: and I will take you, one of a city, and two of a kindred, and will bring you into Sion. And I will give you pastors according to my own heart, and they shall feed you with knowledge and doctrine" (Jeremiah 3:14-15).

At the end of divine praises at benediction each evening we pray, "Lord, send us many holy priests and religious vocations." Let us continue this prayer fervently, knowing that the Heavenly Father cannot fail to hear us.

Yours in Christ, Canon Cristofoli & Canon Post

# TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL Good Shepherd Sunday

# Lesson from the first letter of St. Peter the Apostle 1 Pet 2:21-25

Dearly beloved, Christ suffered for us, leaving you an example, that you should follow His steps who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth. Who when He was reviled, did not revile: when He suffered, He threatened not, but delivered Himself to him that judged Him unjustly: who His own self bore our sins in His body upon the tree: that we, being dead to sins, should live to justice; by whose stripes you were healed. For you were as sheep going astray: but you are now converted to the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

## Continuation ♥ of the Holy Gospel according to John John 10:11-16

At that time Jesus said to the Pharisees: I am the good Shepherd. The good Shepherd giveth his life for his sheep. But the hireling, and he that is not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming and leaveth the sheep and flieth: and the wolf catcheth and scattereth the sheep: and the hireling flieth, because he is a hireling, and he hath no care for the sheep. I am the good Shepherd: and I know Mine, and Mine know Me, as the Father knoweth Me, and I know the Father: and I lay down My life for My sheep. And other sheep I have that are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.

### **Prayer Intentions**

Please keep in your prayers Arthur and Maxine Frankland, Bob and Jane Latin, Anita, Denis and Margaret Smith, Anthony and Catherine Sibert, Denis Brophy, baby Daisy and the residents of Swansea Terrace Care Home.

Thanks be to God for the completion of the new Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre!

Te Deum Laudamus!

We give thanks to God for the two newest members of our community, Bianca Graham and Matthias Russell-Young, both baptised last Sunday, 7 April.

### <u>Liturgy Corner</u> <u>External Solemnities:</u>

For many of the great feasts throughout the year, there is the possibility of celebrating an "External Solemnity". This is when the feast is celebrated on Sunday in order to increase the participation of the faithful.

Next Sunday, the 3rd after Easter, we will celebrate the feast of Saint George. The Mass of Sunday is then celebrated on the first free day during the week without another feast. The remaining Sundays in paschal tide present passages from Our Lord's Last Supper discourse in Saint John, wherein He prepares the Apostles for His departure and the coming of the Holy Ghost (Ascension and Pentecost)

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### Daily Schedule: Mass, Offices, Confessions, Events

### Mass Intentions

Sunday 14/IV 2nd after Easter (Good Shepherd) \*Guilds\*

9:00 Low Mass EM 10:00 Confessions SW 10:30 High Mass SW 17:30 Vespers & Benediction SW 18:30 Low Mass SW Can Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Can Post: Jilly Russell-Young Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Monday 15/IV Feria of Paschaltide

7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass SW 12:00 Mass SW 17:30 Vespers
18:00 Confessions
& Adoration
19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: Msgr Wach Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Tuesday 16/IV Feria of Paschaltide 7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass SW 12:00 Mass SW 17:30 Vespers
18:00 Confessions
& Adoration
19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: Alan Durkin RIP Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Wednesday 17/IV Saint Anicetus

8:30 Mass SW 12:00 Mass SW No evening services Church closed Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: James and Megan Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Thursday 18/IV Feria of Paschaltide 7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass SW 9:15 Exposition 12:00 Mass SW 17:30 Vespers 18:00 Confessions 18:45 Benediction 19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: James and Megan Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Friday 19/IV Feria of Paschaltide

7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass SW 12:00 Mass SW 17:30 Vespers 18:00 Confessions & Adoration 19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: Barbara RIP Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Saturday 20/IV Our Lady on Saturday 7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass SW 9:15 Confessions 12:00 Mass SW

17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration 19:00 Compline Canon Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Canon Post: Clients of J&M Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention

Sunday 21/IV Solemnity of St George (3rd after Easter) 8:00 Lauds 9:00 Low Mass EM 10:00 Confessions SW 10:30 High Mass SW

17:30 Vespers & Benediction SW 18:30 Low Mass SW Can Cristofoli: Francis Maria RIP Can Post: Maria Doherty Canon Ducret: Donor's Intention



### Announcements

Saint Walburge's Guilds/Catechism Sundays: Upcoming family Sundays 14/4, 28/4, 12/5, 26/5, 9/6. Join us in the hall for a social and packed lunch after High Mass. Catechism for all ages at 1pm.

New Class for Catechumens and Neophytes! Are you a recent convert (within the last three years)? Are you interested in being received into the Catholic Church or learning more about the faith. Join us twice per month on Friday evenings at 7:30. Next Class, 19th April: Conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary-- talk given by Canon Post. Future dates: 3/V, 17/V, 31/V, 14/VI, 28/VI

<u>Collection for the Seminary (to be held on Pentecost Sunday)</u>: Please support our annual special collection for the formation of priests and the International Seminary of Saint Philip Neri (ICKSP Italy). Thanks be to God, the province of Great Britain now has a growing number of priests and seminarians. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

<u>Summer Fair:</u> Our annual summer fair will be Sunday 23rd June this year. Volunteers to help with planning are more than welcome!

Our Safeguarding Representative: Mr. Peter Dilworth--postmaster@dilworth49.plus.com

<u>Last week's collections:</u> Thank you for your generosity, figures will appear again next week.

<u>Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre:</u> Do you have a child between 5-16 years old? Would you like him or her to attend classes in a thoroughly Catholic environment, following the spirit of Salesian education? Arrange a visit today! administrator.sbcc@icksp.org.uk

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