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# FROM THE SPIRE



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





### **Presbytery Office Hours:**

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

#### Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre

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## SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

Our beloved Rector, Canon Cristofoli, will be on retreat this coming week. It is an apt time, as we have entered into the Novena of Pentecost. Please note that it is a silent retreat, which means that Canon cannot be reached by email, mobile, social media, etc.

The life of a priest must be a life in the Spirit of God, as indeed also all of the faithful ought to seek the source of their strength in the seven gifts of the Holy Ghost: fear of the Lord, piety, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, understanding, wisdom.

Christ our head is ascended into heaven in order to spur our desire to join Him there: "If you be risen with Christ, seek the things that are above; where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God: Mind the things that are above, not the things that are upon the earth" (Col 3:1-2).

May this beautiful time of the liturgical year, between the great feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost, be a moment of renewal and increased fervor for all of us.

Yours in Christ, Canon Post







## TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL Sunday after the Ascension

## Lesson from the first letter of St. Peter the Apostle 1 Pet 4:7-11.

Beloved: Be prudent and watchful in prayers. But above all things have a constant mutual charity among yourselves: for charity covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without murmuring. According to the gift that each has received, minister it to one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let it be as with words of God. If anyone ministers, let it be as from the strength that God furnishes; that in all things God may be honored through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Continuation ♥ of the Holy Gospel according to John John 15:26-27; 16:1-4.

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: When the Advocate has come, Whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth Who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness concerning Me. And you also will bear witness, because from the beginning you are with Me. These things I have spoken to you that you may not be scandalized. They will expel you from the synagogues. Yes, the hour is coming for everyone who kills you to think he is offering worship to God. And these things they will do because they have not known the Father nor Me. But these things I have spoken to you, that when the time for them has come you may remember that I told you.

#### **Liturgy Corner**

\*The Paschal Candle, which represents the presence of the Risen Christ, is extinguished after the Gospel of the Ascension. It is then removed from the sanctuary until next year.

\*The nine days between the feast of the Ascension and Pentecost is the origin of the Catholic practice of praying novenas.

"And eating together with them, [Jesus] commanded them, that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but should wait for the promise of the Father...All these were persevering with one mind in prayer with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren. (Acts 1:4&14)

#### **Prayer Intentions**

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

For the repost of the soul of Mrs Atherton, deceased the 3rd May. The funeral Requiem Mass of Catherine Sibert will take place at Saint Walburge's on Wednesday, 15th May, at 11am.

May she rest in peace!

	Daily Schedule
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Mass Intentions

Sunday 12/V 6th Sunday after Easter \*Guilds\*

8:00 Lauds 9:00 Low Mass (EM) 10:00 Confessions 10:30 High Mass

17:30 Vespers & Benediction 18:30 Low Mass

Canon Cristofoli: Paule RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

Monday 13/V St Robert Bellarmine

7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass \*No Noon Mass\*

17:30 Vespers 18:00 Confessions & Adoration 19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli:Paule RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

Tuesday 14/V Mass of the Ascension

7:30 Lauds \*No 8:30 Mass\* 12:00 Mass

8:30 Mass

11:00 Funeral of

Mrs. Catherine Sibert

17:30 Vespers 18:00 Confessions & Adoration 19:00 Compline

No evening services

Church closed

Canon Cristofoli: Benedict Scorey and Georgia James Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

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2. Catherine Sibert RIP

Wednesday 15/V St Jean-Baptiste de la Salle

Thursday 16/V

Saint Ubaldus

\*No 8:30 Mass\*

12:00 Mass

12:45 Exposition of the

**Blessed Sacrament** 

17:30 Vespers

18:00 Confessions

Canon Cristofoli: Joan Pope Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

Friday 17/V St Paschal Baylon

7:30 Lauds \*No 8:30 Mass\* 12:00 Sung Mass

17:30 Vespers 18:00 Confessions & Adoration

19:00 Compline

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Canon Cristofoli: Fr Martin Mary Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

Saturday 18/V Vigil of Pentecost

7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass 9:15 Confessions \*No 12:00 Mass\*

17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration 19:00 Compline

Canon Cristofoli: Fr Peter Houghton Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP

Sunday 19/V **Feast of Pentecost** 

8:00 Lauds 9:00 Low Mass (EM) 10:00 Confessions 10:30 High Mass

17:30 Vespers & Benediction SW 18:30 Low Mass SW

Canon Cristofoli: Leon RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP



## Announcements

Saint Walburge's Guilds/Catechism Sundays: Upcoming family Sundays 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.

<u>Special daily Mass schedule (13-18 May and 20-24 May):</u> Please note carefully the special daily Mass schedule this week, due to the absence of Canon Cristofoli on retreat. There will also be an altered schedule the following week, due to the absence of the Canons for the annual Provincial Days of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

<u>Funeral of Mrs Catherine Sibert RIP (15th May)</u>: Requiem Mass will be sung this Wednesday at 11am for the repose of the soul of Catherine Sibert.

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, 17th May. "He rose again on the third day" -- talk given by Canon Post. Future dates: 31/5, 14/6, 28/6.

Collection for the Seminary (next week on Pentecost Sunday): 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! Envelopes and gift aid forms for this collection will be distributed with the newsletter.

<u>Saturday</u>, 18th May: Young ladies are invited to join the Sister Adorers for an afternoon at the convent of the Holy Child Jesus. See Sister Jean-Marie for more details.

Quiz night: Saturday, 25th May, 7pm: Family ticket £20 Adults 7, child 3, bar available!

<u>Summer Fair:</u> Our annual summer fair will be Sunday 23rd June this year. Volunteers to help with planning are more than welcome! We are looking for donations of quality items, unwanted gifts (new or almost new) and bottles.

<u>Our Safeguarding Representative:</u> Mr. Peter Dilworth--postmaster@dilworth49.plus.com

<u>Last week's collections:</u> St Walburge: £704.84 Donations: £200.00 Bank transfers: £460.00 English Martyrs: £88.03

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