



FROM THE SPIRE



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



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Dear friends,

Thank you all for your lovely messages, I'm sorry to have caused you so much trouble last Sunday. A huge thank you to Canon Post for his help and support. I was very happy to stay at Birkenhead Carmel for a few days and, as always, I was very impressed by the community and the atmosphere of silence and prayer.

Let's not forget that silence is an essential condition for prayer, even if today a strong wind is shaking the cenacle!

This week, we're off to join all the other priests in the Province, and gathered around Monsignor Schmitz, our Vicar General, we'll have several days of prayer, formation and fraternal life. Pray for us all! We are praying for you! Canon Post, our seminarian, the candidates and our Sisters join me in wishing you a very holy Feast of Pentecost. May the Holy Spirit fill you with His gifts. Thank you also in advance for your generosity in raising funds for our international seminary today.

Our seminarian, Abbe Schroettner, will soon be leaving us. Thank you, Abbe, for your year with us in Preston.

Happy Pentecost to all!

God bless you,

Your Rector



Please note the reduced daily Mass schedule this week! See page 3.

TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Pentecost Sunday

Lesson from the Acts of Apostles

Acts 2:1-11.

When the days of Pentecost were drawing to a close, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak. Now there were staying at Jerusalem, devout Jews, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound was heard, the multitude gathered and were bewildered in mind, because each heard them speaking in his own language. But they were all amazed and marvelled saying, Behold, are not all these that are speaking Galileans? And how have we heard each his own language in which he was born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphilia, Egypt and the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, Jews also and proselytes, Cretens and Arabians, we have heard them speaking in our own languages of the wonderful works of God.

Continuation ✕ of the Holy Gospel according to John

John 14:23-31.

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: If anyone love Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. He who does not love Me, does not keep My words. And the word that you have heard is not Mine, but the Father's Who sent Me. These things I have spoken to you while yet dwelling with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your mind whatever I have said to you. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, or be afraid. You have heard Me say to you, 'I go away and I am coming to you.' If you loved Me, you would indeed rejoice that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it comes to pass, that when it has come to pass you may believe. I will no longer speak much with you, for the prince of the world is coming and in Me he has nothing. But he comes that the world may know that I love the Father, and that I do as the Father has commanded Me.

Prayer Intentions

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

For the repost of the soul of Mrs Atherton, deceased the 3rd May.

Ordo	Daily Schedule: <i>**Services are held at Saint Walburge's unless otherwise indicated**</i>		Mass Intentions
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 18:30 Low Mass	Canon Cristofoli: Leon RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Monday 20/V Whit Monday	8:30 Mass (SW) <u>*No Noon Mass*</u>	No evening services	Canon Cristofoli: Pauline Wichorall RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Tuesday 21/V Whit Tuesday	<u>8:30 Mass (EM)</u> <u>*No Noon Mass*</u>	No evening services	Canon Cristofoli: Aidan Stephenson RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Wednesday 22/V Whit Wednesday Ember day	<u>*No 8:30 Mass*</u> 12:00 Mass (EM)	No evening services Church closed	Canon Cristofoli: Paule M RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Thursday 23/V Whit Thursday	<u>8:30 Mass EM</u> <u>*No Noon Mass*</u>	No evening services	Canon Cristofoli: Aidan Stephenson RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Friday 24/V Whit Friday Ember day	<u>*No 8:30 Mass*</u> 12:00 Mass (EM)	No evening services	Canon Cristofoli: Thierry Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Saturday 25/V Whit Saturday Ember day	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass 9:15 Confessions 12:00 Mass	17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration No Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Thierry Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP
Sunday 26/V Holy Trinity **Guild Sunday**	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: Domitille RIP Canon Post: Mary Brady RIP



Announcements

Saint Walburge's Guilds/Catechism Sundays: Upcoming family Sundays, 26/5, 9/6.

Join us in the hall for a social and packed lunch after High Mass. Catechism for all ages at 1pm.

Special daily Mass schedule (20-24 May): Please note carefully the special daily Mass schedule this week, due to the absence of the Canons for the annual Provincial Days of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. **Mass from Tuesday to Friday will be at English Martyrs Church.**

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, 31/5: "He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, of whose kingdom there shall be no end." Talk given by Rev. Canon Cristofoli. Future dates: 14/6, 28/6.

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

Summer Fair: 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.

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

Last week's collections: St Walburge: £841.91 Ascension Day: £1111.00 Donations: £10.00
Bank transfers: £210.00 English Martyrs: £87.82

Dear friends,

I'll end with a more practical and less spiritual comment, but it's also necessary at times in the life of our community. Several times a year, we have to hire a company to purge the church toilets because of a huge amount of nappies clogging up the drains. Some wipes as well. These unblocking operations cost between £300 and £400 each time. This time there are so many nappies flushed down the toilet that we have to take the bowl apart too. I don't think you'd flush your babies' nappies down the toilet at home. For the sake of justice and responsibility, I'm waiting for the person(s) responsible to cover these extra costs please.

Out-of-order toilets are also a big inconvenience for those of us travelling from afar. I'm sorry, the workmen have been working for several days to make our toilets accessible, but they haven't yet been repaired. G Cristofoli+

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