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# FROM THE SPIRE



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



Image (L): Our Lord reveals
His Sacred Heart to
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

Image (R): Coat of Arms of the
Sister Adorers of the
Royal Heart of Jesus
Motto: In Corde Regis
"In the Heart of the King"



### **Presbytery Office Hours:**

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

#### Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre

saintbenedicts@icksp.org.uk www.saintbenedictspreston.com

### **Donations:**

Institute of Christ the King/St Walburge Charity number: 1144783 Donations via Bank Transfer: Name: ICKSP; Sort Code: 40-10-22; Account Number: 52347733 Gift Aid forms and offertory envelopes can be obtained at the Presbytery.

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# SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

My dear friends,

A very holy solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to you all and thank you in advance for your generosity to our sisters. I am not afraid to say that without their prayers and sacrifices, we would not have so many graces in Preston.

Praise God for their service to the liturgy and their discreet and effective action. Praise God for their teaching at St Benedict's.

In the coming weeks, I see two great opportunities for us to come together as a community, one more general, one more familial.

Firstly, our summer fair after High Mass on Sunday 23rd. Come in numbers and bring your friends, neighbours... it's a great opportunity to show off our Shrine.

Secondly, I would like to invite you to join in my thanksgiving for 20 years of priesthood. I received the grace of the priesthood on 1st July 2004, in the chapel of Gricigliano from the hands of Bishop Bonicelli, Archbishop Emeritus of Siena. I thank God every day for having called me to receive the Priesthood of his Son and to be configurated to Him--Priest, Altar and Victim. Please pray for me. On 29th June at 4pm at St Walburge's we will sing a Te Deum of Thanksgiving followed by Cream Tea in the Hall. You are all cordially invited! God bless you all.

Your Rector,

G Cristofoli+

# TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

# Lesson from the letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians Eph. 3:8-12, 14-19.

Brethren: To me, the very least of all saints, there was given this grace, to announce among the Gentiles the good tidings of the unfathomable riches of Christ, and to enlighten all men as to what is the dispensation of the mystery which has been hidden from eternity in God, Who created all things; in order that through the Church there be made known to the Principalities and the Powers in the heavens the manifold wisdom of God according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. In Him we have assurance and confident access through faith in Him. For this reason I bend my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from Whom all fatherhood in heaven and on earth receives its name, that He may grant you from His glorious riches to be strengthened with power through His Spirit unto the progress of the inner man; and to have Christ dwelling through faith in your hearts: so that, being rooted and grounded in love, you may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know Christ's love which surpasses knowledge, in order that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God.

## Continuation + of the Holy Gospel according to John John 19:31-37.

At that time, the Jews, since it was the Preparation Day, in order that the bodies might not remain upon the cross on the Sabbath - for that Sabbath was a solemn day, - besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other, who had been crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs; but one of the soldiers opened His side with a lance, and immediately there came out blood and water. And he who saw it has borne witness, and his witness is true; and he knows that he tells the truth, that you also may believe. For these things came to pass that the Scripture might be fulfilled, Not a bone of Him shall you break. And again another Scripture says, They shall look upon Him Whom they have pierced.

### **Prayer Intentions**

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

\*For our Saint Benedict's Cultural Centre

\*May St Joseph bless our restoration work at
the shrine and grant us the means to
accomplish it

\*For our young couples preparing for
Holy Matrimony

\*For Vocations to the Priesthood and

Religious Life

# <u>Liturgy Corner:</u> Votive Masses and First of the Month

Throughout the year, priests may normally celebrate Votive Masses on days which are ferias (no feast) or 4th class. A votive Mass may be in honour of a saint, a mystery of the faith, a Requiem for the poor souls, or to petition God for a particular grace.

In the first week of the month, priests of the Institute of Christ the King usually celebrate:
First Thursday: Votive of Jesus Christ
Sovereign Priest

First Friday: Votive of the Sacred Heart First Saturday: Votive of the Immaculate Heart (The Mass of 22 August)

Ordo	Daily Schedule:  **Services are held at Saint Walburge's unless otherwise indicated**		Mass Intentions
Sunday 9/VI External Solemnity of the Sacred Heart	8:00 Lauds 9:00 Low Mass (EM) 10:00 Confessions 10:30 High Mass	17:30 Solemn Vespers & Benediction 18:30 Low Mass SW	Canon Cristofoli: Eugene Doherty RIP Canon Post: Jim Aherne RIP
Monday 10/VI Saint Margaret	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Low Mass 12:00 Low Mass	17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration & Confession 19:00 Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Rodney Randall RIP Canon Post: Maia Nijak-Bryndal
Tuesday 11/VI Saint Barnabus	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Low Mass 12:00 Low Mass	17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration & Confession 19:00 Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Thansgiving Hilda Canon Post: Maria Platt
Wednesday 12/VI Saint John of San Facundo	8:30 Low Mass	No evening services Church closed	Canon Cristofoli: Canon Post Canon Post: Jim Aherne RIP
Thursday 13/VI Saint Anthony of Padua	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass *9:15 Exposition* 12:00 Low Mass	17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration & Confession 19:00 Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Father Millar Canon Post: Private Intention
Friday 14/VI Saint Basil the Great	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Low Mass 12:00 High Mass	17:30 Vespers 18:00 Adoration & Confession 19:00 Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Thierry Canon Post: Peter A.G. Bignell RIP
Saturday 15/VI Our Lady on Saturday	7:30 Lauds 8:30 Mass 9:15 Confessions 12:00 Mass	17:30 Solemn Vespers 18:00 Adoration 19:00 Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Christopher Moloney Canon Post: Robert Towers RIP
Sunday 16/VI Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 Lauds 9:00 Low Mass (EM) 10:00 Confessions 10:30 High Mass	17:30 Solemn Vespers & Benediction 18:30 Low Mass SW	Canon Cristofoli: Christopher Moloney Canon Post: Thanksgiving for Barbara Milik



### Announcements

<u>Saint Walburge's Guilds/Catechism Sundays:</u> Final family Sunday before summer will be 9/6. Join us in the hall for a social and packed lunch after High Mass. Catechism for all ages at 1pm.

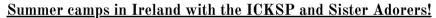
<u>Summer Mass schedule:</u> There will be a reduced schedule of Masses during the summer. Please note that from 7th July onward, <u>there will be two Sunday morning Masses at Saint Walburge's (8:30am and 10:30am)</u>. There will be no evening (6:30pm) Mass. During the week, there will only be one daily Mass. Please consult the newsletter carefully during summertime for accurate and up-to-date Mass and service times.

<u>Catechism class for catechumens and neophytes.</u> 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, 14th June with Canon Post. Future dates: 28/6.

<u>Sunday, 9th June, Solemnity of the Sacred Heart.</u> This Sunday, we celebrate the Sacred Heart as a Solemnity. It will also be the occasion for the annual 2nd collection to support our Sister Adorers. We thank you in advance for your generosity towards our beloved sisters!

<u>Summer Fair:</u> Sunday, 23rd June. Volunteers are very welcome! At present, we are in need of many items, such as unwanted gifts, quality raffle prizes and bottles for the tombola. We are also looking for books in order to run a book stall.

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Girls from 8 to 12 years of age: Monday 8th to Monday 15th July Girls from 13 to 17 years of age: Thursday 18th to Thursday 25th July Boys from 8 to 15 years of age: Saturday 27th July to Saturday 3rd August For more information see:

https://institute-christ-king.ie/blog/2024-summer-camp-in-ardee/

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Last week's collections: SW 620.99; Bank Transfers £470.00; EM (loose collection) £58.17

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