



FROM THE SPIRE

News & updates from our Shrine Church of Saint Walbuge in Preston, Lancashire.

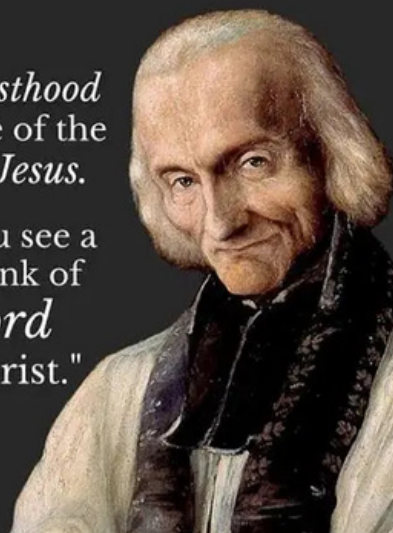


8th Sunday after Pentecost

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until my last breath. I love You, O infinitely loveable God, and I prefer to die loving You rather than to live for a single moment without loving You. I love You, O my God, and I long for heaven only to know the bliss of loving You perfectly. I love You, O my God, and I only fear going to hell because there I will never experience the sweet consolation of loving You. O my God, if my tongue is not able to say at every opportunity that I love You, at least I want my heart to repeat it to You as many times as I take a breath. My God, give me the grace of suffering out of love for You, of loving You while I suffer; give me the grace of one day breathing my last breath out of love for You and at the same time feeling how much I love You. The closer I come to my final end, the more I beseech You to intensify and perfect my love for You. Amen.

"The *priesthood* is the love of the *Heart of Jesus*."

When you see a priest, think of *Our Lord Jesus Christ*."



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.icksp.org.uk/saintbenedicts

Donations:

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My dear friends,

Tomorrow I will be leaving for a two-week holiday in Royan with my family, and I am very much looking forward to seeing my nieces again—especially them!—as well as a few godchildren.

Today, after the High Mass, I will confer the sacrament of Baptism on Maryrose Elisabeth Lee. May she have a long and holy life as a new Walburgian!

Late this evening, Canon Poucin de Wouilt will return from Torquay. You will be in his care until August 22nd—please take good care of him! I know he will be entirely devoted to you.

I have already begun preparing for the start of the new term. You will find two or three important invitations:

- A catechism series based on the book "La Messe, une forêt de symboles" by Abbé Claude Barthe. This course is open to adults and older teenagers.
- The Eucharistic Crusade of Child Adorers: a monthly prayer initiative for the younger children, held on one Wednesday afternoon each month. We will help the children to pray before the Blessed Sacrament (and sing!), followed by a beautiful story, games, activities, and a snack.
- Guild Sundays will resume at a lighter pace—once a month—since we now offer other opportunities for formation, such as Gregorian chant classes and catechism sessions.

I will soon be sending you a short survey to gather your thoughts regarding the catechism for 11–15-year-olds. I was thinking of holding it one or two Saturdays a month around 4 p.m., but I am eager to hear your suggestions.

Even when I am far from St. Walbuge's, I remain close to all of you through a very special prayer for each and every one of you.

I entrust several important intentions to your prayers, Yours in Christ GC+

TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle: Rom 6:19-23

Brethren: I speak in a human way because of the weakness of your flesh; for as you yielded your members as slaves of uncleanness and iniquity unto iniquity, so now yield your members as slaves of justice unto sanctification. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free as regards justice. But what fruit had you then from those things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of these things is death. But now set free from sin and become slaves to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and as your end, life everlasting. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life everlasting in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel: Matt 7:15-21

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. By their fruits you will know them. Do men gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore, by their fruits you will know them. Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father in heaven shall enter the kingdom of heaven.



**ST WALBURGE'S
ICKSP
YOUTH GROUP**

Walk in the Lake District

Saturday 16th August 2025
8:30am Holy Mass in St Walburge's.
10:45am Start at meeting point in Cumbria.
Stickle Ghyll Car Park LA22 9JU

18-35 years old

Contact Antony: **+447803876014**

The poster features a map of the Lake District, a group photo of youth members on a rocky outcrop, a circular inset showing a person in a yellow raincoat, and the St Walburge's Catholic Church logo.



**SAINT BENEDICT SALESIAN
EDUCATION CENTRE**
IN SUPPORT OF HOMESCHOOLED CHILDREN

**AUTUMN
OPEN DAY**

23rd October 9:30-4pm

Open for Registration for
next academic year
2026-2027

Register Now
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More information:
<https://icksp.org.uk/saintbenedicts/>
Preston Lancashire PR2 2QE

The poster includes a graduation cap icon, a heart with a cross, a church tower, and a collage of images showing students in various educational settings.

Prayer Intentions

Please keep in your prayers Arthur and Maxine Frankland, Bob and Jane Latin, Anita, Denis and Margaret Smith, Dennis Brophy, Terry Carradice, Christopher Moloney, Rosemary Hough, Michael Cross, Ewa, Alexander, the residents of Swansea Terrace Care Home.

Please pray for our catechumens, Luke, David, Alexis, Luca, Scot, Linda, Michael, another David.

Mass settings: Kyrie XI and Credo I

Recessional: 256 Immaculate Mary

Ordo	Daily Schedule:		Mass Intentions
Sunday 3/VIII 8th Sunday after Pentecost	8am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 10am Confessions 10.30am High Mass	5.30pm Vespers & Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP & Richard and Elsie John Wilson RIP Canon Poucin: Nguyen Family
Monday 4/VIII St Dominic	8.30am Low Mass	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration and Confessions	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Dominique Poucin de Wouilt
Tuesday 5/VIII St Mary of the Snows	8.30am Low Mass	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration and Confessions	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Fr. Stuart Reynolds
Wednesday 6/VIII Transfiguration of Our Lord	8.30am Low Mass	Church closed	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 7/VIII St Cajetan	8.30am Low Mass	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration and Confessions	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Clarice Hamer
Friday 8/VIII St John Marie Vianney	8.30am Low Mass	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration and Confessions	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Private intention
Saturday 9/VIII Our Lady on Saturday	8.30am Low Mass 9:15 Confessions	5:30pm Vespers 6pm Adoration and Confessions	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Louis-Marie et Dorothee Charpentier
Sunday 10/VIII 9th Sunday after Pentecost	8am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 10am Confessions 10.30am High Mass	5.30pm Vespers & Benediction	Canon Cristofoli: GM Margaret Farrel RIP Canon Poucin: Liam Carroll & John Paul and Maria Tobin

Confessions can also be arranged privately by texting a Canon (see front page)

Any Catholic may offer up the Mass which he or she attends for any good intention. At Mass you are free to associate your prayer with the intention of the priest, or you are free to offer up participation at the Mass for any number of personal intentions.

Offering a stipend for a Mass intention is a way of contributing to the upkeep of your priests. It is a donation, but our diocese recommends a minimum of £10. If you want to have a Mass offered for a particular intention, you may use the Mass Offering envelope (available in the church porch). Write name(living or deceased) or intention. Enclose donation. Place envelope in collection box or give to a Canon.

The earliest available date for a Mass at the moment is: 20th **December**.



For your diary

- ✠ **Friday 15th August, Assumption of our Lady**, 6pm Sung Mass, followed by a Marian procession and a Pimm's celebration in the garden of the rectory afterwards.
- ✠ **Saturday 16th August**: Walk in the Lake District for the Youth Group. See page 2
- ✠ **Saturday 6th September 10.30am**: First Solemn Mass of Canon Joseph McCowen. We will be honoured by the presence of Msgr Gilles Wach, Prior General of ICKSP.
- ✠ **Tuesday 23rd September 8.30am**: Solemnity of the Dedication of our church.
- ✠ **Saturday 28th September**: St Margaret Mary Girls' youth club: The convent of the Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart is open for an afternoon of fun, activities and faith from 2.00pm-5.15pm. The event is open to young girls of 13-18 years old. Please see Sister Jean-Marie for further details.
- ✠ **Catechism about Sacred Liturgy**: 3rd October, 7th November, 5th December, 9th January, 6th February and 6th March; 7pm at St Walburge's Rectory
- ✠ **Children's Eucharistic Adoration Society**, one Wenesday/month, 2-4pm Guided adoration by the canons and the sisters, craft and games, afternoon tea: 22/10, 26/11, 17/12, 28/1, 25/02, 25/03, 29/04.
- ✠ **Guild Sunday**; 10:30 High Mass, 12noon packed lunch, 12:30 Conferences for all. 12/10, 9/11, 14/12

Announcements

- ✠ **From Sunday 6th July to Sunday 31st August inclusive**: no 6.30pm Sunday Mass at St Walburge's.
- ✠ **During the Summer, a Canon will remain available to you**. We will give priority to our visits to the sick and instruction to our catechumens. Every evening from 6pm except Wednesday we will be in the confessional for the Sacrament of Penance or brief questions of spiritual direction.

- ✠ **Does Saint Walburge's have your details?**

Please give your name and address to one the Canons, if in the last 18 months you have:

- changed your address
- started to attend St Walburge's
- started to give your collection, or make donations by bank transfer

If we don't know who you are, we can't thank you or keep in touch with you.

Last week's collection: £732.42 - Bank transfers: £297.00 - Donations £266.00

Thank You very much for your continuous generosity!

- ✠ For Life Matters and helplines: see <https://lifecharity.org.uk>;
for prolife helpline <https://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk> and
for abortion recovery see <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk>

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