Sunday 2nd November 2025 | Issue #190



FROM THE SPIRE

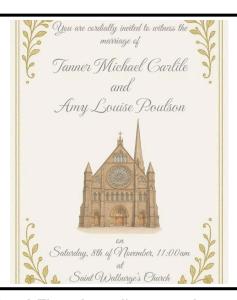
News & updates from our Shrine Church of Saint Walburge in Preston, Lancashire.



21st Sunday after Pentecost

All day and night adoration Thursday 6th November 9:15am to Friday 7th November 8am

Sunday 9th November
Remembrance Sunday
Solemn Requiem Mass at
the War Memorial Altar
followed by the reading of
the names of th
walburgians
who fell in battle
1914-1918, 1939-1945.



Presbytery Office Hours:

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

<u>Saint Benedict's Cultural</u> <u>Centre</u>

saintbenedicts@icksp.org.uk www.icksp.org.uk/saintbenedicts

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.

CONTACT US

07 927 96 56 96 Rev. Can. Cristofoli 07 770142336 Rev. Can. Heppelle preston@icksp.org.uk

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

All Saints' Day is the celebration of God's glory shining through His people — ordinary men and women, known and unknown, who allowed Christ to live within them.

But All Saints' Day is not the feast of a few perfect souls. It is not a prize for the best or the strongest. It is a promise and a hope for every one of us.

"Holiness is not a matter of human perfection, but of being open to the love of God."

What is a saint?

A saint is simply someone who has let God be God in their life.

"Adoration means recognising God for who He is, and myself for who I am — standing before Him without mask or defence, in the truth of my own poverty." That, brothers and sisters, is where holiness begins — standing humbly before God. Not talking endlessly, not trying to do everything, but simply allowing God to look upon us and fill us with His light.

We do not make ourselves holy. God makes us holy when we allow Him to act in us.

When we adore, it is as if we stand in the sunlight of Christ. His love slowly warms what is cold in us, and heals what is wounded. Adoration is the patient work of God in our hearts.

Holiness is not first about great achievements —it is about learning to love as God loves. In adoration, our love becomes simpler and purer.

To adore is to love freely — to love God not for what He gives, but for who He is.

In the silence of the tabernacle, we learn to love like Him:

- · without expecting anything in return,
- · without calculation,
- · without seeking ourselves.

Little by little, this transforms us. Our gaze becomes gentler, our judgements kinder, our hearts more open. Adoration converts the heart before it changes the world.

"The one who adores becomes a creator of love around them. They spread God without even knowing it, because they carry Him within." That is why holiness is within everyone's reach—because adoration is open to all.

We don't need to be clever, or heroic, or perfect — only to have a heart that is willing.

And finally, adoration is not only a way to become holy —it is already the life of the saints in Heaven. In Heaven, the saints do one thing: they adore. Every time we come before the Blessed Sacrament, we already share a little in what they live forever. We join their silent joy and their song of praise. When we kneel before the Eucharist, we are never alone. Our Blessed Lady is there, Saint Joseph, our patron saints, and all those we have loved who have gone before us. This is the communion of saints — one great family united in adoration. As the Book of Revelation says: "A great multitude which no one could count, from every nation, race, people and language."

TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle - Eph 6:10-17.

Brethren: Be strengthened in the Lord, and in the might of His power. Put you on the armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the deceits of the devil. For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of the world of this darkness, against the spirits of wickedness in the high places. Therefore take unto you the armour of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and to stand in all things perfect. Stand therefore having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of justice, and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace in all things taking the shield of faith, wherewith you may be able to extinguish all the fiery darts of the most wicked one. And take unto you the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

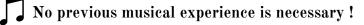
Gospel - Matthew 18:23-35

At that time, Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable: The kingdom of Heaven is likened to a king, who would take an account of his servants. And when he had begun to take the account, one was brought to him that owed him ten thousand talents: and as he had not wherewith to pay it, his lord commanded that he should be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment be made. But that servant falling down, besought him saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And the lord of that servant, being moved with pity, let him go and forgave him the debt. But when that servant was gone out, he found one of his fellow servants that owed him a hundred pence: and laying hold of him, he throttled him, saying: Pay what thou owest. And his fellow-servant falling down besought him, saying: have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not but went and cast him into prison till he paid the debt. Now his fellow servants, seeing what was done, were very much grieved and they came and told their lord all that was done. Then his lord called him and saith to him: Thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all the debt, because thou besoughtest me; shouldst not thou have had compassion also on thy fellow-servant, even as I had compassion on thee? And his lord being angry, delivered him to the torturers, until he paid all the debt. So also shall my Heavenly Father do to you, if you forgive not every one his brother from your hearts.



Choir Practice - All are Welcome!

For anyone interested in learning to sing polyphony, the choir practice will take place on Monday, Nov. 3rd at 7:30 PM in the church.





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, Mark MacKay, and the residents of Swansea Terrace Care Home.

Please Pray for Mrs Vanini. Please pray for Jason Walker Please pray for Katherine. Please pray for Nicola Ogden

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

Mass settings: Recessional:

Ordo	Daily Schedule:		Mass Intentions
Sunday 2/XI 21 st Sunday after Pentecost	8am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 10am Confessions 10.30am High Mass	5.30pm Vespers & Benediction 6.30pm Low Mass	Canon Cristofoli: Rev Father J Millar Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Monday 3/XI All Souls' Day	7.30am Lauds & meditation 8.30am Low Mass 12noon Low Mass	5.30pm Vespers 6:00pm Solemn Mass and Absolution	Canon Cristofoli: Cristofoli-Monceyron Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Tuesday 4/XI Commemoration of the Faithful Departed of the ICKSP	7.30am Lauds & meditation 8.30am Sung Mass 12noon Low Mass	5.30pm Vespers 6pm-6.40pm Adoration and Confessions 6.45pm Benediction 7pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: ICKSP deceased Members Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Wednesday 5/XI	8.30am Low Mass	Church Closed at 9:30am	Canon Cristofoli: Joyce Lyons RIP Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Thursday 6/XI	7.30am Lauds & meditation 8.30am Low Mass 9:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All Day Adoration. 12noon Low Mass	5.30pm Vespers 6pm-6.40pm Adoration and Confessions 6.45pm Benediction 7pm Compline, Adoration all night.	Canon Cristofoli: Joyce Lyons RIP Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Friday 7/XI Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	7.30am Lauds & Benediction 8.30am Low Mass 12noon Low Mass	5.30pm Vespers No Adoration, No confessions. 6.45pm Benediction. St Joseph Boy's Club. 7pm Catechism Sacred Liturgy	Canon Cristofoli: Joyce Lyons RIP Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Saturday 8/XI Saturday Mass of Our Lady	7.30am Lauds & meditation 8.30am Low Mass 9:15am Confessions 11am Wedding Mass Tanner and Amy	5.30pm Vespers 6pm-6.40pm Adoration and Confessions 6.45 Benediction 7pm Compline	Canon Cristofoli: Holy Souls of St Walburge's Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K
Sunday 9/XI 22 st Sunday after Pentecost	8am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 9:15am Confessions 10.30am High Mass	5.30pm Vespers & Benediction (no confessions) 6.30pm Low Mass	Canon Cristofoli: Our armed forces and those who fell in battle Canon Heppelle: Gregorian Karolina K

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

The earliest available date for a Mass at the moment is: 1st December 2025.

[♣] 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



For your diary

- # Catechism about Sacred Liturgy: 7th November, 5th December, 9th January, 6th February and 6th March; 7pm at St Walburge's Rectory
- * Children's Eucharistic Adoration Society, one Wednesday/month, 2-4pm Guided adoration by the canons and the sisters, craft and games, afternoon tea: 26th November, 17th December, 28th January, 25th February, 25th March, 29th April. Please bring children to the church hall.
- # Guild Sundays: 10:30 High Mass, 12noon packed lunch, 12.30 Conferences for all. 9/11, 14/12, 18/01
- ₹ <u>St Joseph's Boys Club</u>: Some of the fathers of the Shrine are looking to set up a regular event in the evening for fathers and sons to gather together and learn about valuable life skills, such as map reading, team building exercises, camping expedition preparations and much more. The meetings will run for approximately 1 hour. It is strictly for fathers to participate with their sons (7-18 years of age). <u>Next Meeting: 7th November 6:45pm</u>
- * Saturday 22nd November: 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.

Next opportunities are: 20th December, 24th January, 21st February, 14th March, 18th April.

- * Catechumens catechism Saturday 15th November 10:30-11:30am at St Walburge's Presbytery
- ** First Holy Communion service on Gaudete Sunday 14th December 2025.

 Sunday 16th, 23rd and 30th we will have a special catechism at 12 noon after the high Mass.

 Saturday 13th December 2-4pm we will have a retreat and confessions for our first communicants

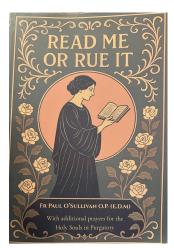
 Please register now: Canon.cristofoli@icksp.org.uk

Announcements

<u>Piety shop:</u> Please support our piety shop and raise funds for St Walburge's. New Christmas cards have arrived. More stock arriving soon: Christmas cards & gifts, rosaries, medals, scapulars, books and other religious items.

Pious List Novena: A novena of Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls from 22nd to 30th November. Envelopes are available at the back of church. Fill out your pious list in advance!

For November spiritual reading, and in honour of the Feast of the Holy Souls, copies of Fr. Paul O'Sullivan's 'Read Me or Rue It'
- currently out of print but recently reprinted by the Hutchinson family - will be available after the 10:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday for donations to the Church.



Last week's collection: £797.59 - Bank transfers: £2,257.00 - Donations: £300.00

Grateful thanks for last Sunday's seminary collection: £357.00 plus £20 bank transfer

Thank You very much for your continuous generosity!











