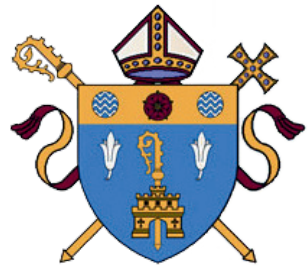




FROM THE SPIRE

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

Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest
Diocese of Lancaster



Dominica IX Post Pentecosten ~ II. classis

Commemoratio: S. Annæ Matris B.M.V.

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St Walburge's... Beyond the Church Walls

Every Friday, after Holy Mass, a quiet little procession leaves the church. Our Lord Jesus Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, goes out to visit those who can no longer come to Him. In a very real sense, St Walburge's continues beyond the church walls. This ministry is undoubtedly one of the most hidden aspects of a priest's life, yet it is also one of the most moving. Behind the doors of a nursing home, in the silence of a bedroom or sitting room, Christ Himself comes to console, strengthen and visit His own.

Each week, Harry and his wife, Maria, Sheila, and so many others await this visit with touching anticipation. For them, Friday is unlike any other day of the week: it is the day when Our Lord comes to meet them.



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING
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SPIRE IN SUMMER

8 August | 22 August | 29 August
1pm to 5pm

Climb the 309ft spire — the tallest on a Shrine church in the UK.

All proceeds go towards roof restoration and maintenance of St. Walburge's.

Robert offers us a beautiful witness of faith. The moment the Blessed Sacrament crosses the threshold of his room, he exclaims with deep conviction, “My Lord and my God!” The very words of Saint Thomas the Apostle, spoken once again as a heartfelt profession of faith. We also remember with great affection our dear Anita Richards. This Sunday, 26th July, would have marked her birthday. May she rest in peace. She always looked forward to the priest’s visit with immense joy and received the sacraments with a simple, radiant faith. Her memory continues to encourage us to prepare for every encounter with Our Lord as though it were the most precious of gift

And then there is Dennis Smith. Every time he receives Holy Communion, his face lights up. He welcomes Our Lord with the wonder and purity of a child making his First Holy Communion. For a priest, moments like these are among the greatest rewards of his ministry.

These visits remind us that the Church does not end at the walls of our church building. She reaches out to those who suffer, to those who are isolated, and to those whose strength is failing but whose faith often remains deeply inspiring. Wherever Christ is carried in the Blessed Sacrament, He brings His peace, His consolation, His strength, and His healing grace to both body and soul.

When you read the simple line in this newsletter each week announcing the visits to the sick, remember that it represents far more than a practical notice. Behind those few words are faces, stories, hopes, prayers, and profound encounters with Our Lord.

I warmly commend each of our sick and housebound parishioners to your prayers. If you are able, please also consider showing them a small sign of your care: a card, a few words of encouragement, a telephone call, or a visit can brighten an entire day. Even if you do not know them personally, they are members of our parish family.

For a parish is measured not only by those who fill the pews on Sunday, but also by the love it shows to those who can no longer come among us.

God bless you all, your Rector



For your diary

✦ **Saturday 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 22nd August:** Walk in the Lake District for the Youth Group

✦ We are now taking card donations! You can find the donation machine at the back of the church by the confessionals!

For Life Matters and helplines:

<https://lifecharity.org.uk>

For pro-life helpline:

<https://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk>

For abortion recovery: <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk>

“SPUC Preston have booked a coach to the March for Life, tickets are on sale now! Tickets are available on Eventbrite, search 'Coach from Lancaster and Preston to M4LUK' or scan the QR code. For the itinerary or anything else please contact the secretary on 07523 183758 or at spucpreston@gmail.com”



Ordo	Daily Schedule		Mass Intentions
Sunday 26th July Dominica VIII Post Pentecosten ~ II. classis Commemoratio: S. Annæ Matris B.M.V.	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 10-10.20am Confessions 10.30am Low Mass	<u>Church closed at 1pm</u>	Canon Cristofoli: 1/Domitille RIP 2/Alexandra Carroll RIP Canon Heppelle: Munière Family Canon Bunnens:
Monday 27th July S. Pantaleonis Martyris	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass	Church closed at 12noon	Canon Cristofoli: Thanksgiving T.Y Canon Heppelle: Hayes Clarke family Canon Bunnens:
Tuesday 28th July Ss. Nazarii et Celsi Martyrum, Victoris I Papæ et Martyris ac Innocentii I Papæ et Confessoris ~ III. classis	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass	Church closed at 12noon	Canon Cristofoli: Private Intention T.Y Canon Heppelle: Mark & Tanya Oostdam Canon Bunnens:
Wednesday 29th July S. Marthæ Virginis ~ III. classis Commemoratio: Ss. Felicis, Simplicii, Faustini et Beatricis Martyrum	8.30am Low Mass Canon's day off	Church closed at 10am	Canon Cristofoli: Bill York RIP Canon Heppelle: Patricia Cronin Canon Bunnens:
Thursday 30th July Ss. Abdon et Sennen Martyrum	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass	Church closed at 12noon	Canon Cristofoli: Nichola Pope Canon Heppelle: Patricia Cronin Canon Bunnens:
Friday 31st July S. Ignatii Confessoris ~ III. classis	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass	Church closed at 12noon	Canon Cristofoli: Edward Bignell Canon Heppelle: Fr Anthony O'Keefe Canon Bunnens:
Saturday 1 st August Sanctæ Mariæ Sabbato ~ IV. classis Commemoratio : Ss. Martyrum Machabæorum	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass	Church closed at 12noon	Canon Cristofoli: Novena GZ Canon Heppelle: Msgr G Wach Canon Bunnens:
Sunday 2nd August Dominica X Post Pentecosten I. Augusti ~ II. classis	8-8.20am Confessions 8.30am Low Mass 10-10.20am Confessions 10.30am Low Mass	<u>Church closed at 1pm</u>	Canon Cristofoli: Novena GZ Canon Heppelle: Patrica Cronin Canon Bunnens:

Prayer Intentions

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

TRANSLATION OF THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Dominica IX Post Pentecosten ~ II. classis

Epistle - 1 Cor. 10:6-13

Brethren: We should not lust after evil things even as they lusted. And do not become idolaters, even as some of them were, as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, even as some of them committed fornication, and there fell in one day twenty-three thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them tempted, and perished by the serpents. Neither murmur, as some of them murmured, and perished at the hands of the destroyer. Now all these things happened to them as a type, and they were written for our correction, upon whom the final age of the world has come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. May no temptation take hold of you but such as man is equal to. God is faithful and will not permit you to be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also give you a way out that you may be able to bear it.

Gospel - Luke 19:41-47

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jerusalem and saw the city, He wept over it, saying, If you had known, in this your day, even you, the things that are for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a rampart about you, and surround you and shut you in on every side, and will dash you to the ground and your children within you, and will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you have not known the time of your visitation. And He entered the temple, and began to cast out those who were selling and buying in it, saying to them, It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of thieves. And He was teaching daily in the temple.

✠ 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: £672.22 - Bank transfers: £1,362.50

Thank you very much for your continuous generosity!

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