

INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus

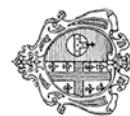


To support the work of the Institute of Christ the King, Divine Providence has brought about the formation of a community of contemplative nuns dedicated to reparation and adoration of the Royal Heart of Jesus Christ Sovereign Priest. Leading a non-cloistered contemplative life, the sisters offer their daily prayers and sacrifices particularly for the priests of the Institute and the souls entrusted to them.

Spirituality

Like the priests and oblates of the Institute, the Adorers of the Royal Heart hold three co-patrons as the guiding lights of their spirituality: St. Francis de Sales, St. Benedict, and St. Thomas Aquinas. From St. Francis de Sales' doctrine of Divine Love, the sisters draw the pattern of their vocation: to be in constant pursuit of growth in Love, which should always be founded on Truth.

The Benedictine aspect of their charism is reflected in the central place of the Church's Liturgy in their daily life. Holy Mass and the Divine Office celebrated in the classical Roman form, form the rhythm of each day.



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Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest in Shrewsbury

Weekly Schedule *

| | | Ordo | Cathedral | St Winefride's | Mass Intention |
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| Sun | 26 th May | V Sunday after Easter, II class. | | 11.45 Confession & Rosary 12.15 Mass 6pm Vespers/Benediction | Philomena McGowan |
| Mon | 27 th May | St. Bede the Venerable Conf. & Doctor III class, Com. of St. John I Pope and Martyr. | 7.30am Mass | 6pm Vespers & Compline | Private Intention |
| Tue | 28 th May | (Votive in England) St. Augustine Bp & Conf., III class. | 7.30am Mass | 5.30pm Confession & Rosary 6pm Mass | Private Intention |
| Wed | 29 th May | Vigil of the Ascension, II class, Comm. St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi Virgin. | 7.30am Mass | * No Vespers: Parish Catechesis at the Cathedral | Private Intention |
| Thu | 30 th May | Ascension of Our Lord, I class. | 7.30am Mass | * No Vespers & Compline | Private Intention |
| Fri | 31 st May | Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen, II class, Com. of St. Petronilla Virgin. | 7.30am Mass | *No Confession & Rosary *No Mass | Private Intention |
| Sat | 1 st June | 1st Saturday, Comm St. Angela Merici Virgin, III class. | | 11am Confession & Rosary 11.30 am Mass *No Vespers & Compline | Private Intention |
| Sun | 2 nd June | Sunday after Ascension, II class. | | 11.45 Confession & Rosary 12.15 Mass *No Vespers/Benediction | Private Intention |

*Changes from the usual schedule

In St. Thomas Aquinas, the sisters find the clarity and structure of thought necessary for their formation and ever-deepening understanding of the mysteries of our Catholic Faith. Finally, it is through their principal patroness, the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception, that they seek to conform their lives and their whole beings to the Royal Heart of Her Divine Son--thus their motto, In Corde Regis ("in the Heart of the King").



Mass at the church near Florence: Mgr Wach and the Sister Adorers

Their day is centered around prayer - Holy Mass and the Divine Office in the traditional Latin form, one hour of mental prayer and one hour of Eucharistic adoration in the evening, the Rosary, etc. Punctuating this rich life of prayer are periods of manual labor and intellectual training, including instruction in Gregorian Chant, Latin, Spirituality, Philosophy, and Theology, as well as the learning of crafts such

as sewing, lace-making, and the care of liturgical vestments and altar linens.

Bright Future

As the community expands, it is foreseen that foundations will be made alongside the apostolates of the Institute of Christ the King, where the sisters will be able to provide support for the apostolic work of our priests. It is foreseeable that the sisters will eventually make a foundation in

to realize the importance of their work. Letter from the sisters explaining their lifestyle in their own words:

Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus Christ, Sovereign Priest, we are children of St. Francis de Sales, Doctor of divine Love. It is in his school that we desire to learn, by practice of the hidden virtues, to love and adore God in spirit and in truth, in response to the infinite and merciful Love that pours forth from the pierced Heart of the Sovereign Priest. It is to this Heart that we are consecrated - as our motto, In Corde Regis ("In the Heart of the King"), indicates - so that we may render glory to God and intercede most particularly for the priests of the Institute and the souls entrusted to them.

Our spirituality is at the same time Salesian and Benedictine, according to the spirit of the Institute of Christ the King. The core of our spirituality is founded on the worship of God, to Whom supreme adoration is due. At the heart of the life of the Church, and consequently, of the Institute is a great love of the holy Liturgy, as our holy patron St. Benedict teaches us. Through the holy Liturgy we are led to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, which is "the open window to the Divinity" (St. Francis de Sales). It is the Holy Liturgy which, as primary source of our spirituality, establishes the rhythm of daily life in our community.

In a house dedicated to Our Lady of Good Deliverance, in the heights of Gricigliano, commanding a magnificent view of the entire valley of the Sieci region, we lead during these early years, in essence, a non-cloistered contemplative life. A priest from the seminary comes to our chapel for Holy Mass every morning, and for daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the evening. Throughout the course of the day, prayer and the recitation of the Divine Office keep us likewise continually before God in adoration.

Building on the foundations established by the teachings of our third patron, St. Thomas Aquinas, we also benefit from

time dedicated to study and intellectual formation. Through this life of adoration lived in the heart of the Church - life of prayer, study, and manual labor - we are ready to take on an apostolic way of life alongside the priests of the Institute, the nature of which Providence will reveal in due course.

As with the entire Institute, the Holy Virgin Our Mother, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is our principal patroness. Her Heart takes us along the luminous road that leads to the Royal Heart of her Divine Son to Which we desire to conform ourselves.



The Sisters with Cardinal Burke and Mgr Wach

Announcements

A **Novena for Fathers** will be offered for nine days, starting on Trinity Sunday, 19th June. Pick up a novena card pack and see poster at the back of the church.

Choir practice during May will be on Friday nights after Mass. You are welcome to join us.