



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

Dear Faithful,

The eternal wisdom of God wanted to renew mankind from within, through the Incarnation of His divine Son. Wanting to become man God chose a mother who was meant to be the first of all those who were to be redeemed by Christ Jesus. The love of God is perfect and infinite, His work of redemption radiates this infinite love and the first recipient of this love is the mother of God made man. Mary is the first fruit of Christ's redemption, being the mother of Jesus she received the first fruits of her son's redemption in anticipation of His perfect obedience and generous love on the Cross.



Immaculate of El Escorial by Bartolomé, c1660-1665, Museo del Prado

Mary was not cleansed from sin, but she was - from the first moment of her being - preserved from sin and the attacks of the devil on mankind.

This is the dogma as an infallibly true statement of faith which was pronounced by the great Pope Bl. Pius IX. in the year 1854: *"We declare, pronounce, and define that the doctrine which asserts that the Blessed Virgin Mary, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, was preserved free from every stain of Original Sin, is a doctrine revealed by God and, for this reason, must be firmly and constantly believed by all the faithful."* *Ineffabilis Deus*, Bl. Pope Pius IX, 8th of December 1854

Each year on the feast of the Immaculate Conception, the Prior General of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest solemnly consecrates our entire spiritual family to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, our Patroness and Queen. All that we have and all that we are, we offer it to our Blessed Mother and ask her to protect us, guide us, pray for us, and protect us that we may be faithful to her Divine Son, Jesus Christ our God and King.

To prepare for this great day, all of the canons, oblates, sisters, seminarians, and faithful from all of the Institute's apostolates worldwide unite in a solemn novena beginning on November 30 and concluding with the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. Please join us in this novena by praying with us each day:

O most Holy Virgin, who was pleasing to God and did become His Mother, Immaculate in thy body, in thy soul, in thy faith, and in thy love, we beseech thee to look graciously upon the wretched who implore thy powerful protection. The wicked serpent, against whom the primal curse was hurled, continues nonetheless to wage war and to lay snares for the unhappy children of Eve. Ah, do thou, our Blessed Mother, our Queen and our Advocate, who from the first instant of thy conception, did crush the head of our enemy, receive the prayers that we unite single-heartedly to thine, and conjure thee to offer at the throne of God, that we may never fall into the snares that are laid for us, in such wise that we may all come to the haven of salvation, and in the midst of so many dangers, may Holy Church and the fellowship of Christians everywhere sing once more the hymn of deliverance, victory, and peace. Amen.

Despite, or better, because of the many obstacles the Church faces in its efforts to worship God in the most perfect and sublime way - through the sacramental celebration of the holy sacrifice of the Cross on its altars - we invoke especially now the Blessed Virgin as our advocate. She brought the God-man into this world, the perfect mediator between God and man, in obedience to the word of a messenger of God. We then should also be generous and docile in hearing the voice of God in the midst of the present turmoil. For us the grace of God is never lacking to give this response of faith and charity in the present calamities, because the Blessed Virgin became also our mother in the order of grace. She is the Mother of the High Priest and Victim on the Cross and, from the Annunciation until the last moment on Golgotha, Mary never retracted this consent. By becoming the mother of the cause of grace, Mary became our mother in the order of grace. She will never leave us until she sees us safe in heaven.



O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Canon Michael K. Wiener



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS AND SUPPORT OF THE PRIESTS OF THE INSTITUTE DURING THE LOCKDOWN

To request Masses to be celebrated in your intentions, please do one of the following: Post your requests to: **Canon Michael Wiener, St Winefride's Presbytery, Mynd Close, Shrewsbury SY2 5R**. Alternatively, you may either deliver your request by hand to the presbytery or hand in your envelope - *clearly addressed to Canon Wiener* - at the sacristy in the Cathedral.

If you are able to support the Institute's apostolate in Shrewsbury, please consider to send us a cheque to the address indicated above, or donate directly via bank transfer:

HSBC UK Sort Code: 40-45-14 Account Number: 61855832 For the credit of: ICKSP/St. Winefride

OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

During the coming days the Cathedral will be open for private prayer only on Sundays 12 noon - 3 pm and on weekdays 11 am - 2 pm. Masses will be streamed online.

STREAMING ONLINE

Our Masses will be streamed online live at the times indicated on the weekly schedule below.

Go to <https://icksp.org.uk/shrewsbury/streaming-service/> on the **Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest website**.

KEEP INFORMED BY VISITING THE ICKSP WEBSITE

This newsletter and all new announcements and information will be published on the Shrewsbury pages of the ICKSP website.

The website address is: <https://icksp.org.uk/shrewsbury/>

LATIN MASS SOCIETY

Christmas cards can be ordered online at: <https://lms.org.uk/catalog/christmas-cards>

The **Latin Mass Society Calendar for 2021** can be ordered online at:

<https://lms.org.uk/product/traditional-catholic-calendar-2021>

Your local Latin Mass Society representative is Victoria Keens, who can be contacted by email at:

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SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTIONS	
				CANON WIENER	FATHER GRIBBIN
SUN	6 TH DEC	9.30	SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT	FORGOTTEN HOLY SOULS	PRIVATE INTENTION
MON	7 TH DEC	10.00	ST. AMBROSE, BISHOP, CONFESSOR & DOCTOR	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE HALLIDAY FAMILY	PRIVATE INTENTION
TUE	8 TH DEC	10.00	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	WANDA LUCZYCKA +	PRIVATE INTENTION
WED	9 TH DEC	9.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	STEFANIA SZOPIAK FAMILY +	PRIVATE INTENTION
THU	10 TH DEC	10.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	JAN SZOPIAK FAMILY +	PRIVATE INTENTION
FRI	11 TH DEC	10.00	ST. DAMASUS I, POPE & CONFESSOR	MICHAEL SCHUTZER-WEISSMANN RIP	PRIVATE INTENTION
SAT	12 TH DEC	10.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	FR. MCGUINNESS	PRIVATE INTENTION
SUN	13 TH DEC	9.30	THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT ("GAUDETE")	FR. GRIBBIN	PRIVATE INTENTION

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