



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

Dear Faithful,

In his famous work about the divine liturgy, “The Liturgical Year”, the French Benedictine Abbot, Dom Prosper Guéranger (1805-1875), describes the spirit of today’s Third Sunday of Advent:



*Dom Prosper Guéranger,
1805-1875*

“Today, again, the Church is full of joy, and the joy is greater than it was. It is true that her Lord has not come; but she feels that He is nearer than before, and therefore she thinks it just to lessen somewhat the austerity of this penitential season by the innocent cheerfulness of her sacred rites. And first, this Sunday has had the name of Gaudete given to it, from the first word of the Introit; it also is honored with those impressive exceptions which belong to the fourth Sunday of Lent, called Laetare. The organ is played at the Mass; the vestments are rose-colour; the deacon resumes

the dalmatic, and the subdeacon the tunic; and in cathedral churches the bishop assists with the precious mitre.

“How touching are all these usages, and how admirable this condescension of the Church, wherewith she so beautifully blends together the unalterable strictness of the dogmas of faith and the graceful poetry of the formulae of her liturgy. Let us enter into her spirit, and be glad on this third Sunday of her Advent, because our Lord is now so near unto us. Tomorrow we will resume our attitude of servants mourning for the absence of their Lord and waiting for Him; for every delay, however short, is painful and makes love sad.”

In fact, the liturgy of the Church opens the heavens for us and allows us to participate in the timelessness of the Eternal God, Who allows us already here on earth to participate in His own eternal life in an imperfect manner and wishes us to enjoy this new life perfectly in heaven. As Catholics we know that this participation is only possible in the union with Jesus Christ, the Universal Savior. In Christ, God has given us the perfect mediator Who came to us first on Christmas and Who is descending on the altars of Catholic Churches daily when the sacrifice of Mass is celebrated and heaven opens in the moment of the consecration.

It certainly strengthens us to look at this reality with our spiritual eyes, refreshed and renewed through the specific graces the liturgical season of Advent offers. The joy of Advent which is – especially today - poured out on us, is a spiritual joy which is not rooted in created goods, but rooted in the everlasting joy of heaven. God is the cause of our joy, and it is specifically the Incarnation of God in Jesus Christ.

I wish you and your families a joyful and truly spiritual preparation of Christmas and I assure you all of my faithful prayers for you!

Canon Michael K. Wiener

Mass of Gaudete

Celebrated by Monsignor Wach, with pontifical assistance from His Excellency, The Most Reverend Bishop Meini, Bishop of Fiesole and Vice-President of the Italian Episcopal Conference, in the Cathedral of Fiesole



The sacred ministers do reverence before the pontiff during the Gloria



Chanting the Epistle



Preaching by His Excellency, The Most Reverend Bishop Meini, Bishop of Fiesole

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.

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STARTING JANUARY 2021: TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS CHANGE OF MASS SCHEDULE

Starting on 5th January 2021, the Mass schedule on Tuesdays and Thursdays will be changed as follows: Mass will be offered at 6.30pm, preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction between 5.30pm and 6.20pm. During the time of silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions will be heard..

January 2021 new Mass schedule:

Sunday 9.30am

Monday 10.00am

Tuesday: 6.30pm (with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and Confessions beforehand at 5.30-6.20pm)

Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 6.30pm (with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and Confessions beforehand at 5.30-6.20pm)

Friday: 10.00am

Saturday: 10.00am

SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTIONS	
				CANON WIENER	FATHER GRIBBIN
SUN	13 TH DEC	9.30	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ("GAUDETE")	FR. GRIBBIN	PRIVATE INTENTION
MON	14 TH DEC	10.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	PRIVATE INTENTION W. M.	PRIVATE INTENTION
TUE	15 TH DEC	10.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	RAPHAEL SCHUTZER-WEISSMANN	PRIVATE INTENTION
WED	16 TH DEC	10.00	EMBER WEDNESDAY OF ADVENT	FELIX MOFFETT	PRIVATE INTENTION
THU	17 TH DEC	10.00	FERIA OF ADVENT	PI	PRIVATE INTENTION
FRI	18 TH DEC	10.00	EMBER FRIDAY OF ADVENT	INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST	PRIVATE INTENTION
SAT	19 TH DEC	10.00	EMBER SATURDAY OF ADVENT	PI	PRIVATE INTENTION
SUN	20 TH DEC	9.30	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	BISHOP MARK DAVIES	PRIVATE INTENTION

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