



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF PETER - *January 18th*



The Chair of Saint Peter, located at St. Peter's Basilica, enclosed in a sculpted gilt bronze casing designed by Gian Lorenzo Bernini, 1647-1653.

Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet (1627-1704), the famous French bishop and orator, commented on the divine institution of the papacy in one of his great sermons:

“That which is given as a support of the Church which is to last forever, can never be taken away. Peter will live in his successors; Peter will speak, in his Chair, to the end of time. So speak the Fathers; so speak the six hundred and thirty bishops of the Council of Chalcedon. ... Thus the Roman Church is ever a Virgin-Church; the Faith of Rome is always the Faith of the Church; what has once been believed will be for ever believed; the same voice heard all over the world; and Peter, in his successors, is now, as he was during his life, the foundation on which the Faithful rest. Jesus Christ has

said that it shall be so; and heaven and earth shall pass away rather than this word.”

The feast of the Chair of Peter in Rome is an eloquent expression of the Church's gratitude toward its founder with regard to the gift of the papacy. So close to Christmas, this feast celebrates another fruit of the incarnation of God, the coming of God into this world: The visible character of the Kingship of Christ is imprinted on the person of Peter, the Vicar of Christ on earth. And Rome, at the time of Jesus the political, cultural and economic center of the world, was chosen by Divine Providence to be the most effective vessel of a rapid diffusion of the spiritual fruits of the redemption. As St. Leo the Great (Pope from 440 to 461) wrote: *“For nothing could be better suited to the divine plan, than the confederation of various kingdoms under one and the same Empire; and the preaching of the gospel to the whole world would the more rapidly be effected by having the several nations united under the government of one common City.”*

The Institute's superiors were all formed in Rome, and both, our founder and Prior General, Msgr. Gilles Wach, the co-founder and rector of our seminary, Canon Philippe Mora, were ordained to the sacred priesthood by Saint John Paul II. Rome and the Pope in Rome – we canons of the Institute were offered all the graces of having been formed in the same Roman spirit in which our superiors were trained. In Gricigliano, the Institute's seminary, close to Florence and only 170 miles from Rome, we were filled with a deep love and respect for the successor of Peter. Only to Peter Our Lord has said: *“Upon thee will I build my Church. To thee I will give the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. I prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not; do thou confirm thy brethren ...”*



Around the base of the dome inside St. Peter's Basilica is written: TU ES PETRUS ET SUPER HANC PETRAM AEDIFICABO ECCLESIAM MEAM. TIBI DABO CLAVES REGNI CAELORVM - “You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church. ... I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven ...” Vulgate, Matthew 16:18-19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MASS SCHEDULE:

❖ Sunday Masses are now at 12.30 at St Winefride's Church.

All other Masses are at the Cathedral as follows:

❖ Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are at 10am

❖ Tuesday and Friday Masses are at 6.30pm with Adoration, Confessions and Benediction beforehand at 5.30.

PASTORAL LETTER OF THE BISHOP OF SHREWSBURY

The Pastoral Letter of His Lordship, Mark Davies, Bishop of Shrewsbury, on public worship and public responsibility of January 10th, 2020 will be read at Mass this Sunday, January 17th. We thank His Lordship for his unwavering fatherly care and we assure him of our continuous prayers. Link to a Video of His Lordship, Bishop Mark Davies, Pastoral Letter, January 10th, 2021:

<https://icksp.org.uk/shrewsbury/a-pastoral-letter-on-public-worship-and-public-responsibility/>

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Following the transfer of the Sunday Masses in the Extraordinary Form to St Winefride's church we are looking for generous volunteers willing to give their time in the service of God and the community by helping to clean the church after the Sunday 12.30pm Masses. This cleaning activity is of high priority with regard to the safety and hygiene standards the diocese of Shrewsbury is obliged to observe in all its churches. Please contact Canon Wiener with your name, telephone number and email address (contact details on the last page of the Institute's Newsletter). Thank you very much in advance for your generous efforts. The more people will commit, the more volunteers commit, the less often the same volunteers have to do the work.

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

To request Masses to be celebrated in your intentions: Post your requests to: **Canon Michael Wiener, St Winefride's Presbytery, Mynd Close, Shrewsbury SY2 5R**. Alternatively, you may either deliver your request 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

SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTIONS	
				CANON WIENER	FATHER GRIBBIN
SUN	17 TH JAN	12:30 PM	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY	ALICE ROBINSON AND JASON FRANCIS	PI
MON	18 TH JAN	10:00 AM	CHAIR OF ST. PETER	THE COX FAMILY	PI
TUE	19 TH JAN	6:30 PM	AD TOLLENDUM SCHISMA – FOR THE UNITY OF THE CHURCH	THE STEVENS FAMILY	PI
WED	20 TH JAN	10:00 AM	ST. FABIAN, POPE AND ST. SEBASTIAN, MARTYRS	MARGARET KELLY RIP	PI
THU	21 ST JAN	6:30 PM	ST. AGNES, VIRGIN & MARTYR	MONSIGNOR MARK LANGHAM	PI
FRI	22 ND JAN	10:00 AM	SS. VINCENT AND ANASTASIUS, MARTYRS	PI	PI
SAT	23 RD JAN	10:00 AM	ST. RAYMOND OF PENAFORT, CONFESSOR	PI	PI
SUN	24 TH JAN	12:30 PM	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY	THE INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING	PI

SUNDAY MASSES AT 12:30 PM AT ST. WINEFRIDES CHURCH, CROWMERE ROAD, MONKMOOR, SHREWSBURY, SY2 5RA

FROM JANUARY 18TH TO 25TH INCLUSIVE: OCTAVE OF PRAYERS FOR THE RETURN OF THE UNITY OF THE CHURCH OF SEPARATED CHRISTIANS. THE PRAYER PRO ECCLESIAE UNITATE (CALLED IN SOME MISSALS "AD TOLLENDUM SCHISMA") REPLACES DURING THIS TIME THE PRAYER "PRO PAPA/FOR THE POPE" AT MASS.

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