



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

Propers of the Mass On December 21st, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

INTROIT (ISAIAH 45: 8, PSALM 18: 2)

Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior. **Ps.** The heavens show forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the work of His hands. Glory be to the Father.

yet am I not hereby justified, but He that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore, judge not before the time, until the Lord come; who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise from God.



GRADUAL (PSALM 144: 18, 21)

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: to all that call upon Him in truth. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless His holy name.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: forgive the sins of Thy people Israel. Alleluia.

GOSPEL (LUKE 3: 1-6)

Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and Philip his brother tetrarch of Iturea and the country of Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilina, under the high-priests Annas and Caiphas: the word of the Lord was made unto John, the son of Zachary, in the desert. And he came into all the country about the Jordan, preaching the baptism of penance for the remission of sins, as it was written in the book of the sayings of Isaiah the prophet: A voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straight His paths: every valley shall be filled: and every mountain and hill shall be brought low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways plain: and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

OFFERTORY (LUKE 1: 28, 42)

Hail Mary, full of grace: the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

SECRET

Look down favorably upon these sacrifices, O Lord, we beseech Thee: that they may be profitable to our devotion and salvation. Through our Lord.

COLLECT

Stir up Thy power and come, we pray Thee, O Lord, and with great might succor us; that our deliverance, which our sins impede, may be hastened by the help of Thy grace and the forgiveness of Thy mercy: Who livest and reigneth.

EPISTLE (I CORINTHIANS 4: 1-5)

Brethren, let a man so account of us as of the ministers of Christ and the dispensers of the mysteries of God. Here now it is required among the dispensers that a man be found faithful. But to me it is a very small thing to be judged by you or by man's day: but neither do I judge my own self. For I am not conscious to myself of anything:

COMMUNION (ISAIAH 7: 14)

Behold a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son: and His name shall be called Emmanuel.

POSTCOMMUNION

Having received Thy gifts, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that with the frequentation of the mystery, the work of our salvation may increase. Through our Lord.

ABOVE: *Saint John the Baptist in the Wilderness*, Guido Reni, 1637, Dulwich Picture Gallery

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFTER SUNDAY MASS IN THE PARISH HALL REFRESHMENTS AND OUR NEW PIETY SHOP

Please join us after Sunday Mass in the hall for refreshments and fellowship with our families. The new piety shop has various tasteful religious gifts on display and awaits your visit. There you can purchase medals, candles, rosaries, prayer cards and much more. All proceeds benefit exclusively the young community of our Sister Adorers in Preston.

DONATIONS WEEK 08.12.-14.12.2025

COLLECTION SUNDAY DECEMBER 14 th :	£222.80
BANK TRANSFERS:	£400.00
CASH DONATIONS/MASS STIPENDS:	£ 50.00
TOTAL	£672.80
INCLUDED IN THESE DONATIONS ARE:	
LITURGY FUND:	£ 15.00
TOTAL LITURGY FUND December 14th:	£428.77

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUOUS SUPPORT.

Institute of Christ the King

Shrewsbury Account Information:

Sort Code: 40-45-14 Account Number: 61855832

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Most recent update of September 8th, 2025: Sue, Mary, Christine, Ruth, Helen, Jacqui, Teresa, Gyöngyi, Hannah, Grace, Anna, Deborah, Zoe, Isabella, Sophie, Abigail, Sharon, Clarice, Doreen, Grace, Beverley, Alex, Bozena, Peggy, Jude, Helena, Edit, Ági, Magdi, Mónika, Peter, Stephen, Martin, David, Mick, Joe, Tom, Felix, Toby, Henry, John, Michael, George, Graham, Colin, Andrew, Ian, Fr Siegfried, Fr István, Mark, Simon, Jennifer, Simon, Janet, Michael, Rose, Anna, Jo, Fr Zoltán, Ildikó, Gareth, Attila, Anya, Fr Gábor, Évi, Mavis, Alison, Mel, Alice, Father Feri, Baby Peter, Siobhan, Nicholas.

Safeguarding contact information - The Cathedral parish safeguarding representative is Tony Burns. Contact email: safeguarding@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or via the Parish Office on 01743 290000 and the diocesan safeguarding coordinator is Andrew O'Brien (0151 652 9855).

LITURGICAL CALENDAR DECEMBER & JANUARY

Thu 25 th December	Nativity of Our Lord
Mon 29 th December	St. Thomas Becket
Thu 1 st January	Octave Day of the Nativity
Tue 6 th January	The Epiphany of Our Lord

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH – 10:00 AM:

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH – 11:00 PM:

MIDNIGHT MASS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH – 12:30 PM:

CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH – 10:00 AM:

ST. STEPHEN

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27TH – 10:00 AM:

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28TH – 12:30 PM:

SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29TH – 6:30 PM:

ST. THOMAS BECKET

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST – 12:30 PM:

OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY

SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTION
SUN	21 st Dec	12:30 pm	Fourth Sunday in Advent	PI
MO	22 nd Dec	10:00 am	Feria of Advent	Nicola Scott RIP
TUE	23 rd Dec	6:30 pm	Feria of Advent	Zophie Wakefield
WED	24 th Dec	10:00 am	Vigil of Christmas	Krystina Rudnicka RIP
		11:00 pm	Midnight Mass	The Superiors of the Institute
THU	25 th Dec	12:30 pm	The Nativity of Our Lord Christmas Day	For the people of St. Winefride's Church
FRI	26 th Dec	10:00 am	St. Stephen, Deacon & First Martyr	Jayden Wakefield
SAT	27 th Dec	10:00 am	St. John , Apostle & Evangelist	YF Huang
SUN	28 th Dec	12:30 pm	Sunday Within the Octave of Christmas	Bartosz Nagielski

All Masses (also Adoration and Benediction on Tuesday and Thursday) are celebrated at
St. Winefride's Church, 187 Crowmere Rd, Shrewsbury SY2 5LA.

Note: Adoration and Benediction on Tuesdays and Thursdays start at 5.30pm before the 6.30pm Mass.

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