



# INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

Propers of the Mass on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026

EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY OF THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Commemoration of Third Sunday after the Epiphany

## INTROIT (ECCLES. 45, 8, 9; Ps. 118, 103)

The Lord made an everlasting covenant with him and gave to him the priesthood of the nation and made him blessed in glory: He girded him about with a glorious girdle and clothed him with a robe of glory and crowned him with majestic attire. **Ps.** How sweet are Thy words to my palate, more than honey to my mouth. Glory be to the Father.

## COLLECT

O God, by whose will blessed Francis, Thy Confessor, Bishop and Confessor, became all things unto all men for the salvation of souls: graciously grant, that being filled with the sweetness of Thy love, we may by following his counsels, and helped by his merits, attain unto everlasting joys. Through our Lord.

## COMM. SUNDAY

Almighty and eternal God, mercifully look upon our infirmity, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to help and defend us. Through our Lord.

## EPISTLE (EPHESIAN 3, 7-21)

I am made a minister (of the Gospel) according to the gift of the grace of God, which is given unto me according to the operation of His power. Unto me, the least of all the Saints, is given the grace to preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ: and to enlighten all men, that they may see what is the dispensation of the mystery which hath been hidden from eternity in God, Who created all things: that the manifold wisdom of God may be made known to the principalities and powers in heavenly places through the Church, according to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord: in Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him. For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Whom all paternity in Heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened by His Spirit with might unto the inward man, that Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts: that being rooted and grounded in charity, you may be able to comprehend with all the Saints, what is the breadth and length, and height and depth: to know also the charity of Christ which surpasseth all knowledge that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do all things more abundantly than we desire or understand according to the power that worketh in us: To him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus, unto all generations, world without end. Amen.

## GRADUAL (ECCLI. 33, 18-19)

See that I have not labored for myself only, but for all that seek discipline. Hear me, ye great men, and all ye people: and harken with your ears, ye rulers of the Church.

## ALLELUIA (PSALM 32, 18)

Alleluia, alleluia. Behold the eyes of the Lord are on them that fear Him: and on them that hope in His mercy. Alleluia.

## GOSPEL (MATTHEW 5, 13-19)

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt lose its savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is good for nothing any more but to be cast out, and be trodden on by men. You are the light of the world. A city seated on a mountain cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel but upon

a candlestick, that it may shine to all that are before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, Who is in heaven. Do not think that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For amen I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall not pass of the law, till all be fulfilled. He therefore that shall break one of these least commandments, and so shall teach men, shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but he that shall do and teach, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

## OFFERTORY (APOC. 2, 19)

I know thy works, and thy faith and charity, and thy ministry and patience: and thy last works which are more than the former.

## SECRET

Do Thou, O Lord, by means of this salutary sacrifice which we offer unto Thee, kindle in us that divine fire of the Holy Ghost wherewith Thou didst so

wondrously inflame the gentle soul of blessed Francis. Through our Lord... in the unity of the same.

## COMM. SUNDAY

May this offering, O Lord, we pray Thee, cleanse away our sins, and sanctify the bodies and minds of Thy servants for the celebration of this sacrifice. Through our Lord.

## COMMUNION (I COR. 9, 22.)

To the weak I became weak, that I might gain the weak. I became all things to all men, that I might save all.

## POSTCOMMUNION

O God, Who in blessed Francis, Thy Confessor and Bishop, didst bestow upon Thy Church a distinguished minister of Christian perfection, and through him didst deign to enrich her with a new offspring of holy virgins: do Thou, by means of the sacrament which we have received, graciously grant that we may here on earth imitate his charity and gentleness, and attain unto his glory in heaven. Through our Lord.

## COMM. SUNDAY

Vouchsafe, we pray Thee, O Lord, that we who of Thy bounty frequent these great mysteries, may be made worthy to enjoy their fruits. Through our Lord.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DONATIONS WEEK 12.01.2026-18.01.2026

COLLECTION SUNDAY JANUARY 18th:	£170.50
BANK TRANSFERS:	£245.00
CASH DONATIONS/MASS STIPENDS:	£ 40.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£455.50</b>
INCLUDED IN THESE DONATIONS ARE:	
LITURGY FUND:	£ 15.00
LITURGY FUND PER JANUARY 18TH	-£ 1.89

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUOUS SUPPORT.  
Institute of Christ the King  
Shrewsbury Account Information:  
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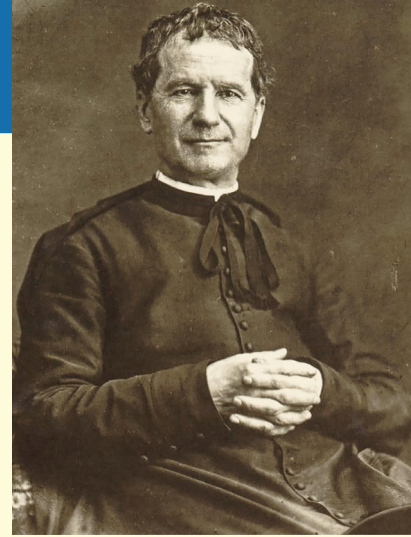
## LITURGICAL CALENDAR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2026

Sun 25th January	External Solemnity St. Francis de Sales
Thu 29th January	St. Francis de Sales
Sun 1st February	Septuagesima Sunday
Mon 2nd February	Purification of the Blessed Virgin – Candlemas Day
Sun 8th February	External Solemnity of the Purification – Procession
Wed 18th February	Ash Wednesday

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Most recent update of January 8th, 2026: Sue, Mary, Helen, Teresa, Gyöngyi, Hannah, Deborah, Isabella, Grace, Alex, Bozena, Helena, Edit, Ági, Magdi, Mónika, Peter, Stephen, Martin, Mick, Joe, Tom, Felix, Henry, John, Graham, Colin, Andrew, Ian, Fr Siegfried, Fr István, Mark, Simon, Jennifer, Simon, Janet, Michael, Anna, Jo, Fr Zoltán, Gareth, Artilla, Fr Gábor, Évi, Mavis, Alison, Alice, Father Feri, Siobhan, Nicholas, Baby Donny, Seb, Anita, Mike.

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**ST. JOHN BOSCO**

Feast Day: 31st January, Mass 10:00am

Don Bosco (16 August 1815 – 31 January 1888) was follower of the spirituality and philosophy of Saint Francis de Sales, which clearly influenced his work in educating and helping disadvantaged youths. He developed his Salesian Preventative System, which rejected the harsher disciplinary methods that were commonly used at the time, preferring the more kindly and gentle approach of St Francis.

In 1859 he founded the Salesians of Don Bosco, also known as the Society of Saint Francis de Sales, which is dedicated to "the Christian perfection of its associates obtained by the exercise of spiritual and corporal works of charity towards the young, especially the poor, and the education of boys to the priesthood". There is also a related women's institute, the Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco, and a lay organisation, the Association of Salesian Cooperators.

Don Bosco was canonised on 1 April 1934, Rome by Pius XI.

It would be well worth your time to study further the lives of both Saint Francis de Sales and Don Bosco. There is plenty of information available online.

## 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.

# SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTION
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	12:30 pm	External Solemnity of the Feast of St. Francis de Sales Comm. Third Sunday after Epiphany	Victoria Keens
MO	26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00 am	St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr	Peter (sick)
TUE	27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:30 pm	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor of the Church	Anita (sick)
WED	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00 am	St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor	Mick RIP
THU	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:30 pm	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor of the Church Patron of the Institute	For the grace of conversion and healing
FRI	30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00 am	St. Martina, Virgin & Martyr	Liselotte Hanks
SAT	31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10:00 am	St. John Bosco, Confessor	Liselotte Hanks
SUN	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	12:30 pm	Septuagesima Sunday	Chris Rayment

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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