



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

Propers of the Mass on February 1st, 2026 SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

INTROIT (PSALM 17 : 5 – 7)

The sorrows of death surrounded me, the sorrows of hell encompassed me: and in my affliction I called upon the Lord, and He heard my voice from His holy temple. Psalm. I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my firmament, my refuge, and my deliverer. - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
— The sorrows of death ...

COLLECT

Graciously hear, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the prayers of Thy people, that we, who are justly afflicted for our sins, may for the glory of Thy Name be mercifully delivered. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

EPISTLE (I CORINTHIANS 9 : 24–27; 10 : 1 – 5)

Brethren: Know you not that they that run in the race, all run indeed, but one receiveth the prize? So run that you may obtain. And every one that striveth for the mastery refraineth himself from all things: and they indeed that they may receive a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible one. I therefore so run, not as at an uncertainty; I so fight, not as one beating the air: but I chastise my body, and bring it into subjection: lest perhaps when I have preached to others, I myself should become a cast-away. For I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all in Moses were baptized, in the cloud and in the sea: and did all eat the same spiritual food, and drank the same spiritual drink: (and they drank of the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ.) But with most of them God was not well pleased.

GRADUAL (PSALM 9 : 10 – 11; 19 – 20)

A helper in due time in tribulation: let them trust in Thee who know Thee: for Thou hast not forsaken them that seek Thee, O Lord. For the poor man shall not be forgotten to the end: the patience of the poor shall not perish forever: arise, O Lord, let not man prevail.

TRACT (PSALM 129 : 1 – 4)

Out of the depths I have cried to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. Let Thine ears be attentive to the prayer of Thy servant. If Thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities: Lord, who shall stand it? For with Thee there is merciful forgiveness, and by reason of Thy law, I have waited for Thee, O Lord.

GOSPEL (MATTHEW 20 : 1 – 16)

At that time Jesus spoke to His disciples, this parable: The kingdom of heaven is like to an householder who went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard. And having agreed with the laborers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour, he saw others standing in the market place idle, and

he said to them: Go you also into my vineyard, and I will give you what shall be just. And they went their way. And again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour: and did in like manner. But about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing, and he saith to them: Why stand you here all the day idle? They say to him: Because no man hath hired us. He saith to them: Go you also into my vineyard. And when evening was come, the lord of the vineyard saith to his steward: Call the laborers and pay them their hire, beginning from the last even to the first. When therefore they were come, that came about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first also came, they thought that they should receive more: and they also received every man a penny. And receiving it they murmured against the master of the house, saying: These last have worked but one hour, and thou hast made them equal to us, that have borne the burden of the day and the heats. But he answering said to one of them: Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst thou not agree with me for a penny? Take what is thine and go thy way: I will also give to this last even

as to thee. Or, is it not lawful for me to do what I will? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So shall the last be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen.

OFFERTORY (PSALM 91 : 2)

It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to Thy Name, O Most High.

SECRET

Receive our offerings and prayers, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and by these heavenly Mysteries both cleanse us and graciously hear us. Through our Lord ...

COMMUNION (PSALM 30 : 17 – 18)

Make Thy face to shine upon Thy servant, and save me in Thy mercy: let me not be confounded O Lord, for I have called upon Thee.

POSTCOMMUNION

May Thy faithful people, O God, be strengthened by Thy gifts; that in receiving them, they may seek after them the more, and in seeking them, may receive them forever. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...



ABOVE: *The Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard, from the Codex Aureus of Echternach, German (Echternach), c. 1030-1050, Nuremberg, Germanisches Nationalmuseum*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGICAL CALENDAR FEBRUARY & MARCH 2026

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
Sat 7th March	St. Thomas Aquinas
Thu 19th March	St. Joseph – Patron of the Church
Sat 21st March	St. Benedict of Nursia
Wed 25th March	The Annunciation



PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Mass will be at 10:00am on 2nd February. Also there will be an External Solemnity Mass on Sunday, 8th February. On this day there will be a procession and you are invited to bring candles to be blessed.

The law, as written in Leviticus 12, required of a woman a period of purification following the birth of a child, 40 days if it is a male child. From 25th December to 2nd February makes 40 days. At the end of this time a sacrifice was required, which, for a poor couple, could be satisfied by the offering of a pair of doves, as we see in this image.

This is also the day when Jesus was presented at the temple. It is the custom of the Church to have a procession on this day and for candles to be brought to be blessed.

ABOVE: Purification of the Virgin, Benozzo Gozzoli, between 1461 and 1462, Philadelphia Museum of Art

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, Attila, Fr Gábor, Évi, Mavis, Alison, Alice, Father Feri, Siobhan, Nicholas, Baby Donny, Seb, Anita, Mike.

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).

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 19.01.2026-25.01.2026

COLLECTION SUNDAY JANUARY 25th:	£173.20
BANK TRANSFERS:	£140.00
CASH DONATIONS/MASS STIPENDS:	£ 00.00
TOTAL	£313.20
INCLUDED IN THESE DONATIONS ARE:	
LITURGY FUND:	£ 15.00
LITURGY FUND PER JANUARY 25TH	£ 13.11

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

SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTION
SUN	1 st Feb	12:30 pm	Septuagesima Sunday	Chris Rayment
Mo	2 nd Feb	10:00 am	The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Candlemas Day	Liselotte Hanks
TUE	3 rd Feb	6:30 pm	Commemoration of St. Blasé (Blessing of the throats after Mass)	Shanice Lilburn
WED	4 th Feb	10:00 am	St. Andrew Corsini, Bishop & Confessor	Elizabeth Dulston's intentions
THU	5 th Feb	6:30 pm	St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr	Josephmarie Dulston
FRI	6 th Feb	10:00 am	St. Titus, Confessor & Bishop	Adrian Dulston
SAT	7 th Feb	10:00 am	St. Romuald, Abbot	Josephine Robertson
SUN	8 th Feb	12:30 pm	External Solemnity of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Candlemas Day Procession and Blessing of Candles	PI

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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