

# SISTERS ADORERS OF THE ROYAL HEART OF JESUS SOVEREIGN PRIEST



## ST. AUGUSTINE'S CONVENT

SPRING 2023

Dear friends and benefactors,

“Where charity flourishes, holiness flourishes” writes St. Augustine. We have perhaps never needed saints in our world as much as we need them today, and the great doctor of the Church shows us the best way to achieve this sanctity; to love. What St. Francis de Sales, patron of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest, has not given to others but has entrusted to his Visitandines are the two sister virtues of charity: humility and gentleness. Although simple and hidden, they are a true mortification for those who sincerely embrace them.



*Daily adoration at St. Walburge's*

After the beautiful Easter celebrations where we contemplated the Lamb of God, meek and humble of heart, and the triumph of his Resurrection, we'd like to share some news from the community



*Summer camps in Ireland*

Last July, we held two girls' summer camps in Ireland. The games, artistic and cultural activities all took place under the gaze of God, following the rhythm Holy Mass each morning and visits to the Blessed Sacrament exposed each



*Restoration of the banner of St. Walburge*

girls to restore one of the church's banners.

The great grace of this Lent was the visit of our founder and Prior General, Monsignor Wach, who came to visit all the United Kingdom Institute houses. Monsignor celebrated Holy Mass at St. Augustine's House and blessed a statue of St. Joseph which had just arrived in our chapel.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, one of our novices in Preston made her first vows with six other sisters in Naples: we now have seven new

professed sisters of six different nationalities!



*Visit of our Prior General, Msgr. Wach*

afternoon. The joy and the singing filled the air!

In September for the new school year, two of our sisters began to teach students aged 5 to 16, two days a week, at St. Benedict's Academy.

St. Walburge's gather for a parish picnic two Sundays a month (Guild Sundays), after Holy Mass. The sisters teach catechism to 5-11 year olds and parents enjoy conferences to learn and share our faith. Afterwards, there are games and art activities with the children, while two sisters work with the older

Nonetheless, our religious life is above all a hidden and silent life; in this way we follow more closely the Divine Lamb in the humble daily work, according to the duties received through obedience.

Every day, prayer holds the first place, to grow in union with God: daily Holy Mass, the singing of Lauds, Vespers and Compline, an hour of silent prayer, the recitation of the Rosary in community and Adoration every afternoon. “We can only give what we receive” and it is by drawing from the Divine Heart and letting Him work in us that we can then serve souls in our humble role and be witnesses to the love of God.



*Gregorian Chant practice*

Our dear friends, we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your spiritual and financial support; we will only see in Heaven all that we owe to your prayers and sacrifices.



*Ora et labora: evening prayer in front of St Joseph,  
and work in silence on the Sanctuary of English Martyrs*



In these troubled times for the Church and the world, let us keep our trust in our Saviour and let us keep our eyes fixed on our Sweet Star, the Immaculate Virgin, triumphant over the battles of God! We ask her to protect your families, defend you and bless you.

In Corde Regis,

Your Sisters Adorers



## A great thank you for your support!

Dear friends,

Having taken the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, we do not receive any income and rely entirely on our benefactors' support. So, many thanks for your generous response to last summer's letter.

Your kind donations help us pay annual bills such as: heating bill (£9,000); house insurance (£1,500); and council tax (£1,500).

Each donation is a great help to us and regular offerings by monthly standing order, however small are much appreciated. We assure you of a profound gratitude and our fervent prayers before the Blessed Sacrament.