

The Spire



Shrine Church of St. Walburge Weston Street - Preston - PR2 2QE www.stwalburge.org

WELCOME TO ST. WALBURGE'S

Built by the famous architect J.A. Hansom from 1850 to 1854, St. Walburge's is Preston's only Grade-I listed church. Her saint-studded hammerbeam roof and breathtaking spire make St. Walburge's one of the most unique monuments of faith in this country.

The Bishop of Lancaster has established St. Walburge's as a 'shrine' – a church with a special mission, as opposed to a defined territory – to serve as a centre of Eucharistic Adoration for the diocese as well as to provide a home for all those who wish to discover the traditional Latin liturgy of the Catholic Church. All are welcome to experience this sacred treasure of our Catholic faith, and there is no need to have any previous familiarity with this form of the liturgy in order to attend services at St. Walburge's. In addition to holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and the sacrament of confession are available every day.

The pastoral care of the Shrine has been entrusted to the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest, a young missionary society in the Catholic Church founded in 1990. In addition to the priests and the numerous seminarians in formation, the Institute also includes brothers (called 'oblates'), who support the priests in their work, and a branch of contemplative sisters called the Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus.

To visitors from near and far, we hope you will find a welcoming spiritual home here!



SEPTEMBER

Sunday 6th September, after Sung Mass

Thanksgiving for 25th Anniversary of Founding of

the Institute

Singing of the *Te Deum* in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction, in thanksgiving for 25 years of service to the Church (official foundation 1st September 1990).



Saturday 12th September, 11.30 am to 2.30 pm and Sunday 13th September, 2 to 5 pm

Heritage Open Days

Special guided tours of Preston's only Grade I-listed church, designed by J.A. Hansom.

Wednesday 23rd September, 7 pm

District Meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society Mass at St. Walburge's for the local SVP chapters

Sunday 27th September, 10.30 am

Dedication Festival & Confirmations {first anniversary of the establishment of the shrine}

VISIT OF HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP OF LANCASTER

Pontifical Low Mass with sacred music by Elgar, Byrd, Palestrina and others sung by special guests the St. Philip Neri Choir.



OCTOBER

Month of the Holy Rosary

Rosary & Benediction every day at 6 pm, except Saturdays at 5 pm.

Tuesday 13th October, 7.30 pm Adult Faith Formation (first talk) The Life of Grace

Sunday 25th October, 10.30 am Feast of Christ the King

Act of Consecration of the Human Race & Sung Mass for the Institute's titular feast. Plenary indulgence (under usual conditions: confession,

communion, prayer for the Supreme Pontiff).

Tuesday 27th October, 7.30 pm Adult Faith Formation The Law of Love



November

Sunday 1st November, 10.30 am

All Saints Day

High Mass for the visit of the Very Reverend Monsignor Gilles Wach, founder and prior general of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.



Monday 2nd November



All Souls Day

Low Masses for the faithful departed at 8.30 am and 12 noon, and Sung Mass with Absolution at 7 pm.

Sunday 8th November, 10.30 am

Remembrance Sunday
Sung Requiem Mass for the War
Dead, followed by the reading
of the names of the fallen
children of St. Walburge's at
the War Memorial.

Tuesday 10th November, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation
Sin: an Obstacle to God's Love

Saturday 21st November

Men's Retreat Afternoon
Theme: "The Spiritual Combat"

Tuesday 24th November, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation
The Virtues of Faith and Hope

30th **November - 8**th **December** Novena of the Immaculate Conception

Novena of the Immaculate Conception Sermon in honour of Our Lady by different guest preachers, followed by Benediction every day at 6 pm (except Saturday 5th December at 5 pm).



DECEMBER

Monday 7th December, 6 pm

Conclusion of the Novena Sermon by His Lordship the Bishop of Lancaster, followed by a festive reception in the Presbytery.

Tuesday 8th December, 7 pm

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Act of Consecration of the Institute to Our Lady,
followed by Sung Mass. Plenary indulgence today.

Saturday 12th December

Advent Retreat
Spiritual talks, with time for confession and personal prayer.

Friday 18th December, 7.30 pm

Christmas Concert
Guardian Concert Band & Preston Concert Band

Sunday 20th December, 11.45 am

Decorating the Christmas Crib
Followed by hot chocolate and mince pies in the
Presbytery

Thursday 24th December, after Mass

Vigil of Christmas

The Office of Prime with the Christmas Martyrology

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Thursday 24th December

10 pm: Christmas Carols

10.30 pm: Procession to the Crib and Midnight Mass

Friday 25th December

10.30 am: Low Mass with hymns5.30 pm: Vespers & Benediction

Sunday 27th December 2015

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas

& Feast of St. John the Evangelist

Blessing of wine in honour of St. John after the 10.30 am Mass.

Thursday 31st New Year's Eve, 11.45 pm

Te Deum in thanksgiving for the past year

JANUARY

Friday 1st January, 10.30 am

New Year's Day
Veni Creator for the forthcoming year before Mass

Tuesday 5th January

Epiphany Eve Blessing of Epiphany Water after Mass

Wednesday 6th January, 7 pm

Feast of the Epiphany
Sung Mass & blessing of chalk, followed by Three
Kings Cake in the Presbytery.

Tuesday 12th January, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation
The Virtue of Charity

18th to 25th January

Chair of Unity Octave
Week of prayer for the return of separated Christians to union with the See of Peter. Special devotions every night at Adoration.



Tuesday 26th January, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation

Worshipping the True God: 1st Commandment



Friday 29th January
Feast of St. Francis de Sales
Patron of the Institute
Plenary indulgence today

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 2nd February, 7 pm

Purification of Our Lady (Candlemas)
Candle-lit Procession & Sung Mass

Forty Hours Devotion

Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Quinquagesima Sunday 7th February to Tuesday 9th February



Tuesday 9th February, 7 pm

Conclusion of the Forty Hours

Eucharistic Procession & Solemn Benediction,
followed by Shrove Tuesday pancakes party.

Wednesday 10th February

Ash Wednesday

Distribution of Ashes and Mass at 8.30 am & 7 pm

Tuesday 23rd February, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation

Respecting what is God's: 2nd & 3rd Commandments

Saturday 20th February

Lenten Retreat

Spiritual talks, with time for confession and personal prayer.

Every Friday of Lent, 6 pm

Stations of the Cross

Opportunity for confession afterwards



MARCH

Sunday 6th March, 10.30 am

Mothering Sunday
Traditional simnel cakes after the Sung Mass

Monday 7th March

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas

Patron of the Institute. Plenary indulgence today.

Tuesday 8th March, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation

Authority & Obedience: 4th Commandment

HOLY WEEK 2016

Palm Sunday 20th March

10.30 am: Procession & Sung Mass

Spy Wednesday 23rd March

9 pm: Tenebrae (Matins & Lauds of the Triduum)

Maundy Thursday 24th March

6 pm: Sung Mass, Procession & Stripping the Altar, followed by adoration at the altar of repose until midnight.

9 pm: Tenebrae



Good Friday 25th March

3 pm: Liturgy of the Passion

6 pm: Stations of the Cross

9 pm: Tenebrae

Holy Saturday 26th March 8 pm: Easter Vigil

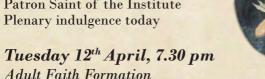
Easter Sunday
27th March, 10.30 am
Resurrection of Our Lord
Jesus Christ
High Mass & Blessing of
Easter eggs



APRIL.

Tuesday 5th April

Feast of St. Benedict (transferred) Patron Saint of the Institute Plenary indulgence today



Respect for Human Life: 5th Commandment

Tuesday 26th April, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation

Loving as God Intended: 6th & 9th Commandments



MAY

Sunday 1st May, 10.30 am Patronal Festival of St. Walburge High Mass with veneration of relic Festive reception after Mass

Tuesday 10th May, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation

The Life of Justice: 7th, 8th & 10th Commandments

Sunday 22nd May, 10.30 am

May Procession - Trinity Sunday Procession in honour of Our Lady after Mass

Tuesday 24th May, 7.30 pm

Adult Faith Formation (last talk)

"Be perfect as God is perfect"

Thursday 26th May, 7 pm Corpus Christi Sung Mass & Procession



SUMMER

Wednesday 8th June, 6 pm

Prayer Vigil for Persecuted Christians
Guest speakers from Aid to the Church in Need,
followed by Rosary & Benediction at 7 pm.

Saturday 12th June

Retreat Afternoon

Theme: "Exploring the Mass"

Monday 15th August, 7 pm

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Traditional blessing of herbs & fruit, followed by
Sung Mass & procession.



Guided tours of the church are offered throughout the year at 11.30 am on Saturdays. For a complete list of services and other activities, as well as for enquiries about receiving the sacraments or about becoming a Catholic, please contact the rector: preston@icrsp.org.

The list of special events in this brochure is not exhaustive and others may be added in the course of the year. For the latest news, please see our weekly newsletter or consult our website:

www.stwalburge.org

SCHEDULE OF THE SHRINE

SUNDAY

10 am Confessions

10.30 am Sung or High Mass

5.30 pm Solemn Vespers

6 pm Rosary & Benediction

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

7.30 am Lauds

8 am Confessions

8.30 am Low Mass

5.30 pm Vespers

5 pm

6 pm Holy Hour & Benediction

7 pm Compline (First Friday: Mass)

SATURDAY

10 am Rosary (Confessions during)

10.30 am Low Mass & Devotions

Holy Hour & Benediction

(Confessions during)

HOLY DAYS Please call ahead or consult the announcements in the weekly newsletter.

CONTACT US

Shrine Church of St. Walburge Weston Street - Preston - PR2 2QE

> www.stwalburge.org Tel: 07894 559284

e-mail: preston@icrsp.org