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From the President: Let Us Honor King Charles

At the end of *Eikon Basilike*, King Charles looks towards his death. Imprisoned at Carisbrooke Castle on the Isle of Wight, Parliament had now declared that they would no longer seek negotiations with the King nor would they receive any communications from him. While never without hope, the King began to reflect on death, as both a King but more importantly, as a Christian. The meditations are moving and profoundly prayerful. What is striking, however, is that he concluded his meditations, and *Eikon Basilike*, with the Latin motto: *Vota dabunt, quae bella negarunt* (What they were denied by war, they will achieve by their devotions.)

His closing inscription nearly 400 years ago serves as the *raison d'être* of our Society. King Charles fought, literally, to preserve the historic episcopate and the catholic faith in the Church of England, yet his armies did not prevail against the enemies of the Church. Armies will never prevail against the enemies of the Church because the battle is not fought on the plains but through prayer. What he was denied by force, we will gain through faith.

Our aims, as the Society of King Charles the Martyr, are to promote the wide observance of January 30th as the Martyrdom of King Charles, to help our brothers and sisters in the Anglican Communion (and beyond) recognize the vital role the Royal Martyr had in preserving the historic episcopate for our churches, to include his feast day in the Prayer Books of our Communion, and to encourage devotion in our local churches and in the hearts of our people. Every single aim is, and should always be, rooted in prayer. We exist to help the hearts of Christians come to a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus Christ by lifting up for veneration his servant and martyr Charles Stuart.

As a Society dedicated to the cult of King Charles, we naturally think, write, and speak of him often. But let us always remember that King Charles did not die for the preservation of his own memory; he died for the truth of the Church. Let us honor King Charles by living and working for what he died for.

Vota dabunt, quae bella negarunt.

- *The Rev'd Steven C. Rice, Obl.S.B., D.Min., President*

TO WORK TOWARD THE AIMS OF THE SOCIETY:

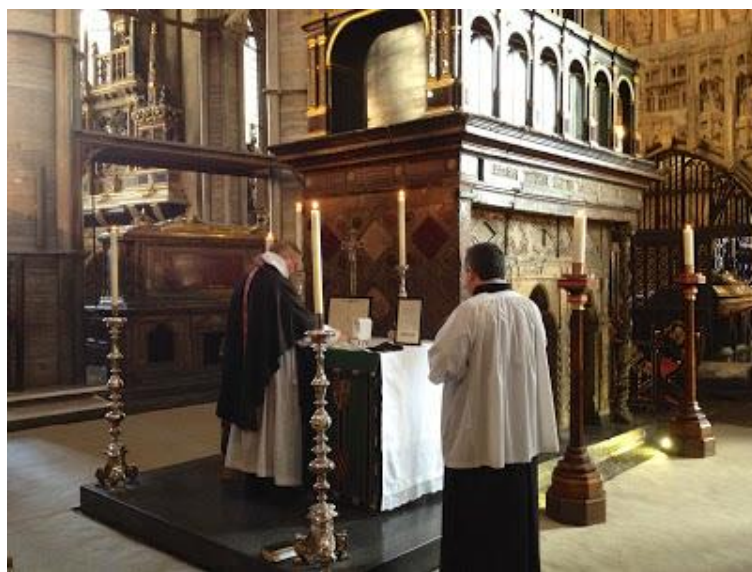
- + PRAY FOR THE WORK OF THE SOCIETY
- + WORK TO ESTABLISH, WHERE POSSIBLE, LOCAL CHAPTERS
- + ENCOURAGE THE OBSERVANCE OF ROYAL MARTYR DAY IN YOUR OWN PARISH
- + WORK TO INCLUDE THE OBSERVANCE ON DIOCESAN CALENDARS

Today's Caroline Connection: St Edward the Confessor

In a manner similar to the Royal Martyr's flight to the Isle of Wight in November 1647, St Edward the Confessor had to flee England for Normandy after the Danish invasion in A.D. 1013 when he was only age nine. The son of Ethelred II (the Unready) and Emma, daughter of Richard I of Normandy, he remained in exile until the age of 40. Unlike Charles' unhappy outcome through betrayal and imprisonment at Carisbrooke Castle, Edward grew to appreciate his Norman upbringing. After the death of his father, Canute, the son of the Viking invader Sweyn, married Emma to secure the throne for himself. His son, Hardecanute assumed the throne after his death, although he was mostly occupied with securing his position as king of Denmark. Edward continued to live in exile until invited back to England by Hardecanute in 1041, knowing he did not have long to live.

Following Hardecanute's death in 1042, Edward succeeded to the throne and was crowned in the cathedral of Winchester, the royal seat of the West Saxons, on 3 April 1043. Earlier, Edward had pledged to St Peter that he would make a pilgrimage to Rome should he ever regain the throne. However, given the civil unrest in England at that time, he was discharged from his vow by the Pope on the condition that he found a monastery dedicated to St Peter. The result was the erection of a Norman cathedral to replace the older Saxon church at Westminster.

Two traditions surrounding the Saint are worth repeating. The first is that Edward was given the charism of healing and began the royal custom of touching the ill to cure them. This practice continued with English monarchs until the reign of Queen Anne (1702 - 1714). The second concerns the occasion when traveling to a chapel in Essex dedicated to St John the Evangelist. When asked for alms by a beggar, Edward took off



his ring and handed it to the beggar, having no money with him. Several years later, as two English pilgrims were traveling through the Holy Land, they became stranded and were helped by an old man. He told them that he was, in fact, St John the Evangelist and handed to them the ring Edward had given to him some years before. He asked them to return the ring to Edward with the message that within six months he would meet St John personally in heaven.

Edward the Confessor died on 5 January 1066, and never saw the completion of Westminster Abbey, but was later translated to a shrine behind the high altar after his canonization in 1163.

As in the case of the Royal Martyr, critics of Edward maintain that the traditions surrounding his piety are not historical and that he was a weak ruler given to fits of anger. Furthermore, they argue that his canonization was merely political. But as is always the case with Saints, they are neither sinless nor perfect in temperament. What makes them Saints is their desire to allow some unique aspect of Our Lord to shine clearly through their lives. With Edward, the rise of his cultus so soon after his death, suppressed by the early Norman abbots of Westminster, only continued to increase until his eventual canonization.

Necrology

Robert Stuart Hardy Greene, RIP

Very recently the Society learned that The Rev. Canon Robert S. H. Greene, SSC, OL, of Calgary, had passed away peacefully in his sleep on October 16, 2017 with his beloved wife, Marion, by his side, at the age of 94 years. Born in Toronto, Ontario, on January 14, 1923, he served in a tank crew with Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians), and fought in Italy, France, Belgium, Germany and the liberation of Holland. His wartime experience led him to pursue a calling as a priest in the Anglican Church. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts and Licentiate in Theology from Trinity College, Toronto and subsequently his Bachelor of Sacred Theology. He was ordained a priest in 1954 and subsequently served in parishes in Lac La Biche, Fairview, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, and Philadelphia, before "retiring" to Calgary in 1996, where he served as a parish Priest in Calgary, Medicine Hat, Vulcan and Gleichen. He was a fierce fighter against injustice and a champion of the underdog. He had a quirky sense of humour and amused everyone with his corny jokes. He served the city of Calgary as Alderman from 1969 to 1971.



Canon Greene joined the Society in 1978 and was honored in 2009 with the Order of Laud designation for his work on behalf of the Society. A life-long monarchist, he served as Chairman of the Monarchist League of Canada, Calgary Branch for many years. At the time of his death he was the priest in charge at St. Andrew's Anglican church in Gleichen, Commissary of the Diocese of Northern Malawi, Padre at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 264 and Honorary National Padre of the LSH (RC).

F. Washington Jarvis, RIP

The Reverend F. Washington Jarvis III ("Tony") died on 7th October at Hospice care center in Lincoln, Massachusetts after a long battle with cancer. Tony was a native of Ohio, prepared at Saint Mark's School for Harvard College. He also received an AM from Cambridge and STB from Episcopal Theological in Cambridge. He was a veteran member of the Society, having joined in 1981, becoming a Life Member in 2010 and being honored by the Order of Laud in 2009.

Tony was ordained in 1964 as a Priest in the Episcopal Church. His ministry was often focused on the youth of America. He served as the Chairman of the History Department and Head of School the University School and was later called to be the tenth Headmaster of the Roxbury Latin School in Boston. (See our late August *Communique* to learn of the Charter from Charles I of this school). After his retirement in 2004 Tony continued



to write and served as Chaplain at Eton College and also founder the Educational Leadership and Ministry Program at the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. From 1976 and until his death he was a curate at All Saints, Ashmont. He lived near the parish after his retirement.

Most of our members know him as an ardent supporter of Charles, usually referred to as "King, Patron of the Arts and Martyr" by Tony. While at Roxbury Latin he started a commemoration of the Royal Martyr so that the boys could learn of both the history and inspiring faith of the Martyr. He commissioned a portrait of Charles by the famed artist Irwin Hoffman. The portrait is remembered by Sons of Roxbury as by Irwin "HoHoffman" because of how the

artist signed such – perhaps an odd remembrance but Tony seemed to love that the boys noticed. Fr. Jarvis delivered the sermon at our Annual Mass in 2009 and was involved at our previous commemoration at the Church of the Advent.

Mr. Jarvis, as he was known at Roxbury, was perhaps best known for his caring for the students. He cared about all of them and knew their individual stories. As he made clear to parents, teachers on boys – the most important thing the School cared about was what type of person its boys became. This was, and remains, the core of the educational experience at Roxbury Latin. He was a maverick in education as many of the remembrances clearly attest. Tony’s guidance and friendship carried on even past graduations – I can personally attest to this from emails and Christmas cards received. He was most happy to enjoy the company of and have his photo taken with his five great nieces and nephews.

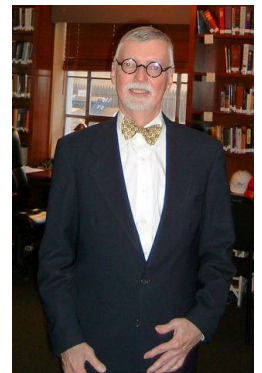
For those of us in the Society I comment to you his sermon preached in 2009, available at <http://www.skcm-usa.org/FrJarvis2009.txt>. I also commend to you a collection of his talks – most of them at Roxbury Latin. Much of Tony’s philosophy, human and devotion to the Martyr come through. They are gathered in “With Love and Prayers” which was first published in 2000.

The Orthodox often say May His Memory be Eternal. For Father Jarvis, as he used to say, Remember!

- Jonathan Jensen, D.Phil., OL, Vice President – Membership Services

Patrick Justin White IV, RIP

Patrick unexpectedly passed to the next life on Wednesday, October 10, apparently from natural causes. Originally from Shreveport, LA and a Navy yeoman (Vietnam vet), professionally he was a legal assistant. For many years he was a parishioner at St Paul’s K Street, Washington, DC, serving as a vestryman and acolyte and sometime administrator and office volunteer. Active in the devotional societies, he was at one time a CBS officer and had been a SKCM member beginning in 2011 – one of the 10 Society members in his parish.



A former curate from the parish described him as a quintessential Southern gentlemen. A current member of the parish choir recently posted,

“St. Paul’s, K Street has lost a legend in [Patrick Justin White IV](#), four days after his 76th birthday. He was a fount of knowledge in liturgy, and made the church and its people seem like a fantastic wonderland through every story he told through his mischievous grin and Louisiana drawl. He was among the first to pull me into the social life on K Street once I joined the choir. I remember one of our first bonding sessions, soon after I joined the choir, when we rejoiced in realizing that we were both wearing “real Harris Tweeds!” He humored me sartorially, educated me liturgically, and entertained me in all other respects. But above all, he was an unconditionally loving person, leaving a distinctly sassy acceptance in his wake wherever he walked.” Requiescat in pace.

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