

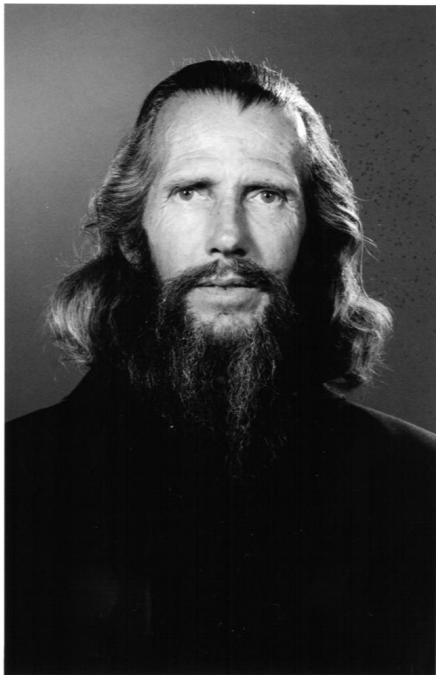


Lancaster Cathedral

Crossing the Threshold

The Road to Sanctity

John Bradburne



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When

- Saturday 7th September 2019
- 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Where

- St Thomas More Parish Centre,
St Thomas More Walk, Lancaster LA1
5PT
- **Prof David Crystal** will lead the day
including DVDs, Discussion, shared
food and Prayer

The Cause

The Vatican has approved the Sainthood cause of John Bradburne, the British Franciscan missionary murdered in Zimbabwe by pro-Mugabe fighters.

The John Bradburne Memorial Society confirmed that the Congregation for the Causes of Saints in Rome issued a formal "nihil obstat" on 1 July, allowing the Cause to begin.

Bradburne, born in Skirwith, Cumbria in 1921, was shot in 1979 during the Rhodesian liberation war after he refused to abandon the Leper community where he worked. Accused of being a spy for the white regime, guerrilla fighters loyal to Mugabe are said to have offered Bradburne the chance to flee the country. He refused, knelt to pray and was shot in the back.

The Cause will be officially launched on 5th September 2019, the fortieth anniversary of his murder.

Strange Vagabond

"God's love within you is your native land.

So search none other, never more depart.

For you are homeless save God keeps your heart."

(JRB)