

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST PANCRAS, IPSWICH

Deum diligere et quæ sunt Dei

'To love God and the things of God'

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July is dedicated to
the Precious Blood of Jesus

Sunday 11th July 2021

Dom. VII post Pentecosten

8am (EF) — Zeno Mattiuzzo RIP (1)

15th Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Holy Souls

11:00 — Pro populo (People of the Parish)

Monday 12th July

Feria

10am — Maria Stallwood

Tuesday 13th July

Feria

8am (EF) — Charlotte Lunot RIP

Wednesday 14th July

S. Camillus de Lellis

6pm — Holy Souls

Thursday 15th July

S. Bonaventure

12:15pm — Edivaldo Silva RIP

Friday 16th July

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

10am — Donor's int.

Saturday 17th July

Our Lady on Saturday

10am — for the election of a new bishop

Vigil of 16th Sunday of the Year

6pm — Glenda Elliot RIP

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Fri: 20 minutes before each Mass

Sat: 9:30 — 10:00 & 5pm — 5:45pm

ADORATION: Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm

ROSARY: Mon — Fri: after Mass

DEVOTIONS TO O.L. OF IPSWICH &

S. PANCRAS: Sat after 10am Mass

EF Masses: 2nd Sunday of the month at
8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 8th August)

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DURING THE PANDEMIC

Please...

- *sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the church;*
- *wear a face mask at all times unless you are exempt;*
- *maintain a social distance of 1m from members of other households;*
- *allow yourself to be guided by the instructions of the stewards and priest;*
- *scan your COVID-19 App or complete the track-and-trace slip;*
- *spray whatever you have touched with the sanitizing sprays dotted around the church, especially whenever you pay a private visit to the church;*
- *at Communion time, allow those receiving in the hand to come up first.*

Thank you.

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STELLA MARIS

Apostleship of the Sea

Stella Maris is a Catholic charity supporting seafarers, fishers, and their families, in the UK and around the world.

Seafarers often have to work away from their families and local communities for nine to 12 months at a time. Across the world, we aim to provide a 'friend in every port' and stand alongside seafarers and fishers to ensure their rights are upheld. For 100 years we've been extending the hand of friendship and welcoming seafarers and fishers to our shores.

Our network of chaplains and volunteers makes more than 70,000 ship visits each year and supports hundreds of thousands of seafarers and fishermen in times of need.

Special second collection today.

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Donations may be made in cash, by using our Dona machines at the back of church, or on the Donate page of our website.

For more details visit:

www.stellamaris.org.uk

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STELLA MARIS

GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK

Offering support for women facing the loss of a child through abortion
Forthcoming events

11th Annual GK Chesterton pilgrimage — Saturday 24th July

40 Days for Life — begins in September

March for Life UK — Saturday 4th September

www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

Please consider making a **STANDING ORDER** instead of a weekly cash contribution to the parish. Thank you.

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The SPUC is holding a Mass lobby of MPs on *Friday 16th July* and *Saturday 17th July 2021*. We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP, at the MP's constituency office, on one of these dates. The DIY abortion policy is still in place, and there is a renewed threat of assisted suicide being legalised. Please ask your MP to lobby the Health Secretary to *end DIY abortion*. Please ask your MP to *vote against assisted suicide*. SPUC has produced dedicated briefings to help you lobby your MP. Please go to www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021

Holy Water Covid restrictions still do not allow us to have a holy water stoop at the entrance to our churches. However, parishioners are encouraged to have their own stoop at home, just inside the front door perhaps. If you bring a small empty bottle to church, it can be filled with already blessed holy water.

Donate online It is now possible to make donations to the parish, to the Poor Box, and to second collections, via our website. Please go to the 'Donate' page and make a donation the same way that you would if you used the 'Dona' machines at the back of church.

Work continues In the church, work has begun on the organ. W&A Boggis, of Diss in Norfolk, have removed the bellows which will be replaced by a smaller set, are dismantling the frame which will be reduced in size, will clean the pipes, and will turn the whole organ by 90 degrees so that it will have its back to the south wall instead of against the window. The work is expected to take several weeks. Meanwhile, we shall make use of a keyboard for all of our musical accompaniment. In the house, work is almost finished in the kitchen with just a new floor to be laid; and in the office, a new floor has been laid, and we are now ready for office furniture to be installed and an internet connection to be laid on.

'From mine own library': summer reading suggestions. *The Unbroken Thread: Discovering the Wisdom of Tradition in an Age of Chaos* by Sohrab Ahmari. Written by a convert from atheism to Catholicism, this is a 'book about the deep issues that our shallow age has foolishly tried to dodge.'

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Sick List Prayers are asked for Lee Porter, Judy Fell, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, and Mary Driscoll.

Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, especially Christopher List, Neil Ward, and Mary Mummery, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Catherine Head, George Smith, Patricia Peck, John Dixon, Harriet Upson, Juliet Brinsley, Beatrice Blackwell, Peter Dunnett, José Bastarrica, Samuel Rout, Josef Novar, Bernard Smith, Mary Corrigan, Denise Richmond, Glenda Elliott-Sugars, Edward Oxborrow, June MacDonnell, Jan Ebelewicz, Marjorie Williams, Emilia Satalino, Margaret Richardson, Cesare Pasini, Mary Foster, Charles Skeet, Jeremy Handman, Br Elvin Gerrard FSC, Phyllis Dooley, Patrick McElholm, and Iwan Jacyna. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt V Having looked briefly and in general terms at the importance of art, fine vestments, precious metals, statues, pictures, ceremonies, and so forth, as vehicles for divine revelation, we now turn to the space in which the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered.

We usually think of space as a void, as something empty, difficult to define, and merely waiting to be filled with movement or activities. Space inside a building is sometimes thought of simply as a vantage point from which we can appreciate the walls, ornamentation, or ceilings of the building itself. But the Encyclopædia Britannica suggests that architectural space is an 'immaterial essence' which the architect envelops to create a particular environment, an environment that can have a quality other than mere emptiness filled with air, for example we can, as the Encyclopædia article goes on, 'feel insecure in a low cave or a narrow defile, exhilarated and powerful on a hilltop.' In other words, space can carry meaning, and even emotional, psychological and physical responses (such as fear or awe) even when we are not always thinking about it. Nowhere is this more true than in a church.

People often say that when they enter a Catholic church there is something — an atmosphere, a feeling — that attracts them and comforts them. They may not be able to put their finger on it and describe it, although descriptions often include the smell of incense or wax candles or polish. When pushed, they may say the atmosphere is one of prayer. But, in fact, what they have come to is 'mount Sion, and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to the company of many thousands of angels' (Hebrews 12:22), for this is exactly what a Catholic church is. A Catholic church is not simply a place where Catholics gather to pray, although it is that too. A Catholic church is the dwelling place of God on earth in a unique way. Like the Burning Bush that Moses saw; like the Tent of Meeting in the Old Testament (see Exodus chapters 25-30), a Catholic church is where Almighty God takes up His abode on earth in order to be Emmanuel, the God-with-us.

And just as the Tent of Meeting, or Tabernacle, has an outer and an inner sanctuary (see the picture, to the right, of a modern day model of the Tent of Meeting), so a Catholic church is partitioned with



each part holier than the last. The nave is where the people gather to pray and to praise God, and the church is, therefore, a house of prayer (Isaiah 56:7). The sanctuary, traditionally demarcated by a set of altar rails, is the inner sanctum where the sacrifice of Calvary is made sacramentally present on the altar before us. Again traditionally, this space is reserved to those directly involved in offering the sacramental sacrifice. And finally, there is the holy of holies, the Tabernacle, where Christ is sacramentally present for our adoration. The 'atmosphere' that visitors to a Catholic church feel is this presence of Christ. In other words, they can feel the presence of grace.

A Catholic church is anointed and consecrated using ancient and sacred ceremonies, that is, a church is set apart and made holy for the exclusive purpose of worshipping God. It is not a concert hall, nor a market place, nor an open street where gossips may gather. We fall quiet when we enter a church, genuflect to Our Lord in the Tabernacle, and go to our place in prayerful silence. Not just the building but the interior space itself is holy because of God's presence. All adornments should reflect this holy presence and the building's holy purpose. 'I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord' (Ps 122:1).