

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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September is dedicated to
Our Lady of Sorrows

Sunday 19th September 2021

25th Sunday of the Year
09:30 — Nuala Scarisbrick RIP
11:00 — Pro populo

Monday 20th September

S. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Comps.
10am — Jim Convey

Tuesday 21st September

No Mass today

Wednesday 22nd September (Ember Day)

Feria
6pm — for the election of a bishop

Thursday 23rd September

S. Pio of Pietrelcina
12:15pm — Gintautas Rimkus RIP

Friday 24th September (Ember Day)

Our Lady of Walsingham
8am (EF) — Special int. (8/9)
10am — Kenneth & Una Welch RIP

Saturday 25th September (Ember Day)

Our Lady on Saturday
10am — Holy Souls
Vigil of the 26th Sunday of the Year
6pm — Pro populo

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: 10th Oct.)

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Extraordinary Form (EF) Masses are said in Latin according to the traditional Missal used before Vatican II, and are sometimes called Tridentine Masses.

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'IN THE COOL OF THE DAY'

Every doctrine of the Church is planted in seed form in the first three chapters of the Book of Genesis. These talks will take you on a stroll through the Garden of Eden and allow you to explore those seeds as well as the fruits into which they ripened.

Wednesday at 7pm in the parish hall beginning this week, 22nd September.

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'LET ALL GOD'S GLORY THROUGH'

A parish day of recollection based on the poem
'The Blessed Virgin Compared to the Air We Breathe'
by Gerard Manley Hopkins.

This Saturday, 25th September, in the parish hall.
Starts with Mass at 10am & ends with Benediction at 3pm.
Tea & coffee provided, but please bring your own lunch.

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EMBER DAYS

From a corruption of the words *Quatuor Tempora* (four times or four seasons), Ember Days are traditional days of fasting and abstinence in supplication for God's blessings, and in thanksgiving for blessings received. Although no longer popularly observed, the Roman Missal still makes provision for their observance, and some people like to incorporate them into their private devotions. They fall this week on Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.

THIS WEEK

Ember Days Wed., Fri. & Sat.

Tuesday 21st no Mass today.

Wednesday 22nd at 7pm 'In the Cool of the Day.' First in a new series of catechetical talks for adults.

Thursday 23rd feast of St Pio of Pietrelcina.

Friday 24th feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, patronal feast of the diocese.

Saturday 25th 'Let All God's Glory Through.' Parish day of recollection.

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday 29th feast of the Archangels, Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael.

Wednesday 29th at 7pm 'In the Cool of the Day.' All welcome even if you missed last week's talk.

Friday 1st at 5pm Confirmation classes begin in the parish hall. (Ends at 6pm)

Saturday 2nd feast of the Holy Guardian Angels.

Saturday 2nd at 4pm First Communion classes begin in the parish hall. (Ends at 4:45pm)

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

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ASSISTED DYING BILL

Please refer to the page on the website of the Catholic Bishops Conference of England & Wales

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill-2021/>

Above all, please pray for the defeat of this Bill

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Parish Magazine The deadline for copy for the next edition is today, Sunday 19th September. Please submit contributions to sdonag9@gmail.com or leave them with Fr Joseph. Thank you.

Sunday lift? A parishioner in Claydon is looking for a regular lift to Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Please contact Fr Joseph if you can help.

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CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021—2022

Classes for children who regularly attend Mass at St Pancras will start on

Friday 1st / Saturday 2nd October.

**Confirmation
5pm — 6pm on Fridays**

Candidates must be 13+ by the time of the ceremony

**First Holy Communion
4pm — 4:45pm on Saturdays**

Children must be 7+ by the time of the ceremony

Please complete a form from the back of church and return it to Fr Joseph.

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Altar linen rotas are now needed. Fr Joseph desperately needs help laundering and ironing (and starching) the small altar linens as well as the large altar cloths. Please offer your services if you can for the sake of the beauty of our acts of worship of Almighty God.

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Sick List

Prayers are asked for, Lee Porter, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, Mary Driscoll, Leighton Scott, and Helen Hardman.

Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anastasia List, Martin Connolly, Eunice Bartlett, Angel Mahalia, Sheila Jokic, Pauline Roberts, Raymond Johnson, Richard Dunn, Michael Lynch, Federich Clifford, John Corbett, Michael Cattigan, Elizabeth Heley, Ronald Southgate, Frank Woodward, Nora Mulryan, Maria Leeder, Hubert Boothe, Mary Burns, Meve Windham, Maurice Keating, and Luigi Mariani. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XIV Continuing our look at the *Gloria*, we come to the phrase, *Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam*, ‘We give you thanks for your great glory.’ At first glance it might seem slightly odd to give God thanks for His glory. We might give Him thanks for what He has done for us or given to us, but thank Him just because of His splendour? Well, yes, we should indeed give Almighty God thanks simply because He is God as well as having revealed His glory to us.

We see the glory of God in many things, in the beauty of nature all around us, in the wonder of friendships and family relations, in the breath-taking gift of new life, in the delights of the good things of the earth. Each creature — mountain, tree, horse, or fellow human being — is a reflection of God’s glory, and we do well to give God thanks for making this glory known to us and for sharing it with us in so many different forms. Yet the greatest glory, the most perfect revelation of God’s glory, is the Person of God-the-Son-Incarnate.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is, as St Paul tells us, ‘the image of the invisible God’ (Col 1:15). We know, because He Himself has told us, that if we have seen the Son then we have seen the Father (Jn 14:9). Jesus Christ *is* the ‘great glory’ of the ‘Lord God, heavenly King, God, almighty Father,’ (*Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens*), and the rest of this great hymn sings of the glory of the second Person of the Trinity who, in turn, is the definitive revelation of the Father’s glory.

God-the-Son’s revelation is made known to us, in the first instance, in His Incarnation at Christmas when He is born of a woman (Gal 4:4) in a stable in Bethlehem, and when the choir of angels announces the news to the world, represented by the lowly shepherds (Lk 2:8-14), using the words that now make up the opening of the *Gloria*.

The *Gloria* then sings the praises of the One who is the ‘only begotten Son’ of God, *Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe*. Jesus is the Father’s Son by nature. They share the same divine nature, and are, as a result, two Persons of the one God. We, on the other hand, become sons and daughters of God by adoption (Gal 4:5). Our nature is human, not divine, yet we participate in the divine nature (2 Pet 1:4) through the Sacrament of Baptism.

This Son is the Lamb of God (Jn 1:29), sent by the Father (Jn 7:28), upon whose head the sins of a wayward race are laid (Lev 16:21-22) so that those sins may be taken away: *Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis*. ‘Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.’ We plead, then, for God’s mercy that our sins may be forgiven (linking the *Gloria* with the penitential prayers that we have just said), and beg Him that our prayers may be sufficiently worthy to be heard and answered: *Suspice deprecationem nostrum*, ‘Receive our prayer.’ And the Son’s prayers are heard because He is ‘seated at the right hand of the Father,’ *Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris*, and acts as our Advocate (1 Jn 2:1), offering up prayers and supplications to the Father on our behalf (Heb 5:7).

We know that all three Persons of the Trinity are Holy, Lord, and Most High, but these words are specifically addressed to the only One who is Jesus (Saviour) Christ (the Messiah or Anointed One), that is, the only One who is the anointed Saviour of Mankind: *Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe*, ‘For you alone are the Holy One. You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ.’

The *Gloria* concludes with a doxology in praise of all three Persons of the Blessed Trinity: *Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen*, ‘Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.’