

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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March is dedicated to
St Joseph



Sunday 20th March 2022

3rd Sunday of Lent

09:30 — Rowland Batley RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 21st March

Lent feria

10am — Nigel Rogers RIP

Tuesday 22nd March

Lent feria

8am (TLM) — Benedicto Pinheiro
Nogueira

Wednesday 23rd March

Lent feria

6pm — Freddie Quartley ints.

Thursday 24th March

Lent feria

12:15pm — Souls in Purgatory

Friday 25th March

The Annunciation

10am — Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 26th March

Lent feria

10am — Paul Clappison RIP

Vigil of Lætare Sunday

6pm — Fr Leeder RIP

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Fri: 20 minutes before each Mass

Sat: 9:30 — 10:00 & 5pm — 5:30pm

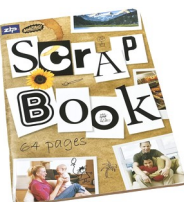
ADORATION: Sat: 12 noon — 5:30pm

ROSARY: Mon — Thur: after Mass

STATIONS: Sun: 4:30pm (in Lent)
Fri: after Mass (in Lent)

**DEVOTIONS TO O.L. OF IPSWICH &
S. PANCRAS:** Sat after 10am Mass

TLM Masses: 2nd Sunday of the month
at 8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 10th Apr)
Traditional Latin Masses (TLM) are said
according to the Missal used before the Sec-
ond Vatican Council.



FR SAM LEEDER RIP We are putting together a scrap book in memory of Fr Leeder and would welcome as many contributions as you would like to give. Articles, anecdotes, memories, photographs, and more besides, will all be included. Please send material to Mim McMahon mim@trianglemusic.info or to the parish e-mail address, or leave hard copy with Fr Joseph. Thank you.

MARY'S MEALS

Our Lent project this year is to raise funds for some of the poorest children in the world. We have decided to continue with this project, even though the people of the Ukraine are also in desperate need of help, because the hungry children of the world still need to be fed. Even so, we now have a button on our cashless donation machines in church and on our website for the Ukraine, and any monies we collect will be forwarded to the appropriate agency.

THE UKRAINE

Advice on how you can help people caught up in the war in Ukraine is available from the Catholic Social Action Network at
<https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine/>

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FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION — FRIDAY, 25TH MARCH

Mass at 10am followed by Stations of the Cross

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LENT AT ST PANCRAS



Don't forget our cake sale **NEXT SUNDAY**, Mothering Sunday, that is, Lætare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent (27th March), when we shall raise funds for our Lent project, Mary's Meals. So roll up your sleeves and get baking! Meanwhile, our **second** Thursday Lent Lunch very successfully raised £122 for Mary's Meals. Well done and thank you to everyone involved!

*Please take a leaflet from the back of church giving full details of our
Lent & Holy Week services*

SUNDAYS IN LENT

Stations of the Cross & Benediction
4:30pm

SATURDAYS IN LENT

Coffee in the parish hall after the
10am Mass followed by

THURSDAYS IN LENT

Thursday Lent Lunches — 1pm
to raise money for our Lent fundrais-
ing project, *Mary's Meals*.

a Lenten meditation,
'*Ecce Lignum Crucis*,'
The Wood of the Cross
followed by

FRIDAYS IN LENT

Stations of the Cross after
the 10am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
from about 12 noon till 5:30pm
Please sign the watching list at the
back of church

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

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This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the blessing and installation of the statue of Our Lady of Grace at St Mary at the Elms Anglican church in the centre of town. There will be a special ceremony of re-dedication this Saturday, 26th March, hosted by the Guild of Our Lady of Grace of Ipswich at St Mary at the Elms at 11am. All welcome.

ST ALBAN'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Required from September 2022. Closing date for applications: 10am, 31st March. Please see diocesan website for more details. www.rcdea.org.uk.

Copies of the latest edition of the parish magazine are available at the back of church and on our website, and includes a number of articles about Fr Leeder RIP.

Abortion Resistance is a new charity aimed at empowering individuals, inspiring action, and encouraging change in a society that applies heavy pressure to women to abort innocent life. Please sponsor a 30 mile hike to raise funds. Go to: [GoFundMe/Walking for Life](https://www.gofundme.com/Walking-for-Life), or contact Esther Patten at astaldo97@gmail.com

Leaflets giving details of how your household or family can become a *Domus*, a house of prayer, will be available at the back of church in the next week or so.

Domus mea domus orationis vocabitur,
'My house shall be called a house of prayer'
(Is 56:7; Mt 21:13).

Lenten Station Masses The Ipswich deanery Station Mass is on **TUESDAY 29th MARCH** at St Mary's, Woodbridge Road.

5pm—Adoration of the Bd Sacrament & Confession
6pm—Mass with Bishop Alan
7pm—light refreshments

(See the poster in the porch for other Station Masses.)

Accommodation wanted: a one bedroom flat for rent, preferably near the Ranelagh Rd area of Ipswich, from end of February/beginning of March. Please contact Wojtek: wojtekwasagpt@outlook.com

Sick List Prayers are asked for Rosemary Pease, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, Mary Driscoll, and Leighton Scott.

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the soul of Philomena 'Pat' Maile who died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elizabeth Downey, Ellen Banyard, Cecilia Lewis, Matthew Dee, Anthony Sefi, Charles Fox, Marguerite Morgan, Elizabeth Black, Pauline Forster, Janet Morris, Rowland Batley, Edward Norfolk, Sean Goonan, Mary Dixey, Anna Waszak, Eugenie Finbow, Cyril Clarke, Mary Studd, Henry Taub-Y-Longue, Kathleen Kolston, Joan Goldswain, Michael Robinson, Terence Garrod, Dorothy King, Mary Mongan, and Annie Burns. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

CONFESSION pt III: In an age that concentrates on people's feelings, rights, and entitlements, as well as a very subjective notion of truth, the Sacrament of Confession reminds us that our religion is not all about feeling comfortable but, in fact, places demands on us, sometimes very significant and even heavy demands. As with any relationship in life, our relationship with God is a two-way thing which demands that both parties give generously, receive graciously, but never take.

Our Lord humbled Himself and became obedient (Phil 2:5-8). Likewise, in Confession, we humble ourselves, kneeling before the Crucifix, the icon of our Faith, and open our hearts to God, pouring forth all of our sins, our faults, and our weaknesses. We reveal to Almighty God what we are too embarrassed or ashamed to reveal to anyone else knowing, as we do, that He will not mock, nor click His tongue in exasperation, nor rebuke. Rather, reaching down His bloodied hand from the Cross, He will touch us with His infinite mercy, and forgive us our sins.

Psychotherapy can be a very good thing, helping to heal psychological and emotional damage, but is chiefly concerned with the self. The Sacrament of Confession, on the other hand, is focussed on God and the things of God, restoring us, as it does, to a state of grace, re-grafting us, if we have fallen into mortal sin, back onto the Living Vine which is Our Lord Himself (Jn 15:1ff) so that the goodness of God can flow into our souls once more and bear fruit in our lives. Confession heals the soul.

Our Lord, the Divine Physician, came to heal the sick (Mk 2:17), and whether we need a few plasters or major surgery, the Sacrament of Confession is the chief and ordinary means by which this healing is given to us. But like any ordinary medical healing, we have to seek out the doctor, go to him, tell him the symptoms, and accept the diagnosis as well as the treatment. So it is with Confession. First of all, we need to recognise that we are in need of a physician, then we have to go to Him, tell Him the symptoms, and, through His priest, listen to a diagnosis perhaps, and accept the prescription that is offered, and possibly the advice too. In other words, we have a role to play in our own healing; we have to work *with* the Physician if we wish to be healed. We are not forgiven our sins with the wave of a magic wand!

Reconciliation with God, the forgiveness of sins, our redemption, and our sanctification are the reasons our holy religion exist. It has no other purposes. As a result, going to Confession should be a core feature of our spiritual life, even if we think we have little to confess. The Sacrament of Confession cleanses, heals, and refreshes the soul, preparing it for the nourishment received in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Just as we take a shower or clean our teeth routinely, so we should go to Confession routinely. And if we fear that going to Confession might become merely routine, then don't forget that a good habit is always better than a bad habit: brushing our teeth three times a day is better than not brushing them at all! So, how often should we go to Confession? About once a month. Many people go very week! And, in any case, all Catholics are obliged to go at least once a year, between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday. This, and going to Holy Communion at least once a year during the same time period, is what is called 'making our Easter duties.'

Confession times at St Pancras

Mon — Fri: 20 minutes before every Mass.
Sat: 9:30am — 10am & 5pm — 5:30pm.

'Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.'
Ps 50:9