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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> Sundays: Yr C Weekdays: Yr 2

May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 22nd May 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

09:30 — Special int. (N. James)

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 23rd May

Easter feria

10am — Ken & Stephanie Farrer

Tuesday 24th May

Easter feria

8am (TLM) — Benedicto Tadeu Nogueira

Wednesday 25th May

S. Bede

6pm — In thanksgiving (Florence)

Thursday 26th May

The Ascension of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation

8am (TLM) — election of a bishop 12:15pm — Bobby Thornton

6pm — Pro Populo

Friday 27th May

S. Augustine of Canterbury 10am — Margaret Shaw RIP

Saturday 28th May

Our Lady on Saturday 10am — Holy Souls Vigil of 7th Sunday of Easter

6pm — Holy Souls

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Sat: 30 minutes before each Mass, and 5pm — 5:45pm on Sat.

ADORATION: Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm ROSARY: Mon — Fri: after Mass 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: 12th Jun)

Traditional Latin Masses (TLM) are said according to the Missal used before the Second Vatican Council.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

THURSDAY, 26TH MAY

Masses:

8am (TLM) 12:15pm 6pm

Confessions:

30 mins before each Mass

Rosary:

after the 12:15pm Mass

Ascéndit Deus in iubilatióne, et Dóminus in voce tubæ. Allelúia.

God is ascended with jubilee, and the Lord with the sound of trumpet. Allelúia.

Ps 46:6



Ascension of Christ by Giacomo Cavedone (1640)

RETURN OF THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION

The Catholic Bishops of England & Wales have issued a statement in which they recognise that most Covid restrictions have been lifted. They write:

"We therefore believe that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply."

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM



Tuesday 31st May

Beginning with Mass at noon at the Chapel of Reconciliation, this year's pilgrimage incorporates the official Children's Pilgrimage on the same day with a children's liturgy led by Fr Pat Cleary. Later, there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the priory grounds. The day will end at about 4:30pm. (Bring a picnic lunch.) All welcome. Go to:

https://www.rcdea.org.uk/diocesan-pilgrimage-set-for-return-to-walsingham/

Novena Please take a booklet from the back of the church if you would like to observe the novena of prayer between the Ascension and Pentecost.

Domus We now have four Catholic households in the parish preparing to become consecrated and enrolled as *Domus*. Please keep them in your prayers. If you would like to find out more, please take a leaflet from the back of church.

New Choir Members We are urgently in need of new voices for our 11am Sunday Mass choir, especially—but not only—male voices (tenors and bases). Enthusiasm is a must! Whatever your level of proficiency, *please* come to rehearsals for a month and see how you get on. Contact Fr Joseph. Thank you.

The Annual Missionary Appeal will be given this year on the weekend of 11th/12th June, by the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver. You can visit their website in advance at: claveriansisters.com

Parish Magazine The deadline for articles is Sunday, 12th June. Stories, reports, thoughts and meanderings, poems, quizzes, and pictures all welcome. Please forward them to *sdonag9@gmail.com* or leave hard copies with Fr Joseph. Thank you.

PARISH EVENTS

St Pancras Corpus Christi procession Sunday 19th June at 3pm

St Pancras First Communion Mass Sunday 26th June at 9:30am

(N.B. the 11am Mass will start at 11:30am)

DIOCESAN EVENTS

See the diocesan website for details: rcdea.org.uk

Ignite Catholic Youth Festival 30th May — 1st Jun 2022. A weekend for those in Yr 8+

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 19th — 26th August. **Diocesan Summer Camp** for 8-14 year olds. 26th –29th August.

The Relics of S. Bernadette of Lourdes will visit our Cathedral 13th—15th October and OLEM in Cambridge 15th—16th October 2022.

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

Of your charity Please pray for all who have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: George Eyton-Jones, John Kelly, Fr Kateryna Kuczer, William Shipp, Winefred Taylor, Zena Marcantonio, Doreen Belcher, Peter McKenzie, Bernard Griss, Mary Gorham, Harry Taylor, Reginald Reeve, Joan Barry, Laszlo Heyges, Patsy Thompson, Norah Felton, Rowland Hanlon, Stanley Smith, Nell Gibson, Peter Klipalo, Fr Stasz Mieczystaw, Dorothy Green, Belinda Pearson, Tony Kelly, and Mario Brocchi. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XXXVII We now draw towards the end of the Great Prayer, the Roman Canon.

Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us

The prayer is still being addressed to God the Father, and the 'through whom' refers, of course, to God the Son. In the first instance, 'all these good things' is a reference to the gifts that have just been offered in sacrifice. The Father has sanctified the Bread and Wine and, through the miracle of transubstantiation, has filled them with life, blessed them, and bestowed them upon us. In other words, whilst the accidents of the bread and wine continue to exist (those aspects that we can detect with our five senses: the Sacred Species still look, feel, taste, sound, and smell the same), nonetheless, the **substance** of bread and wine no longer exists. That is, what makes these things before our eyes bread and wine have ceased to make them into bread and wine: they are now the **Body and Blood**, **Soul and Divinity** of Our Lord. He is personally present before us on the altar, but under the appearance of Bread and Wine. Truly, then, the Father has filled the Bread and Wine with life! And having done so, He bestows these wonderful gifts upon us to adore and worship in the tabernacle, and to consume in Holy Communion.

But this prayer says even more. The 'good things' also refer to everything that God has created, both in the order of nature and in the order of grace. It is God who made all things, and continues to sustain them in being. It is He who gives life to those things that live (angels, people, animals, plants). It is He who blesses them, and bestows so many countless gifts, both natural and supernatural, upon us. This short prayer towards the end of the Canon of the Mass is just one part of what makes the whole Mass a *eucharist*, a thanksgiving.

The Roman Canon concludes with the great *doxology* (from the Greek meaning *glory*):

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever. Amen.

The great sacrifice of the Mass, and our offerings along with that of Christ, are offered through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ. Our Lord offers the gift of Himself, and we offer our gifts and petitions *through* the One who is the mediator between God and Man (Heb 9:15). We offer our gifts *with* His offering, mentally placing our gifts and needs on the paten at the Offertory of the Mass. And we offer our gifts and needs *in* Christ, for just as the Son is in the Father, the Father is in the Son, and the Son is in us (Jn 14:20; 17:23), so we offer ourselves to the Father *in* the Son.

But the doxology is about more than our offerings. The doxology is a great hymn in its own right: a hymn of adoration and worship in which we sing the praise and glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The whole Canon of the Mass, indeed the whole Mass itself, is a great prayer—a great hymn—of adoration of the Holy and Undivided Trinity. This, more than anything else, is what the Mass is, whether it is an ordinary weekday Mass at a side altar, a great feast day Mass such as Christmas or Easter or Pentecost, a spoken Mass or a sung Mass, a Mass celebrated by a priest or a bishop or the pope: each and every Mass is, first and foremost, a great hymn of homage and adoration of the Blessed Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And the Canon ends with the great 'Amen' which is not so much an avowal of agreement on the part of the people, but a shout of acclamation, 'Let it be,' or, rather, 'It is so!'