

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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May is dedicated to
the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 29th May 2022

7th Sunday of Easter

09:30 — Richard Ogundiran RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 30th May

S. Walstan

10am — Joan Elliott RIP

Tuesday 31st May

BVM, Queen

8am (TLM) — Benedicto Pinheiro Nogueira

Wednesday 1st June

S. Justin

6pm — Warren Atkinson

Thursday 2nd June

Ss Marcellinus & Peter

12:15pm — Holy Souls (E)

Friday 3rd June

S. Charles Lwanga & Comps.

10am — Warren Atkinson

Saturday 4th June

Our Lady on Saturday

10am — Benefactors of the Parish

Vigil of Pentecost

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.*

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/>

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:

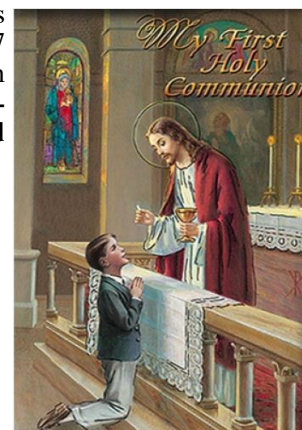
"We therefore believe that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply."

FIRST COMMUNION NEXT YEAR?

The next cohort of First Communion children will begin classes in the autumn. Watch this space.

If you would like your child to join these classes please note that he or she must be at least 7 years old on the day of the First Communion Mass in June 2023 and **must already be coming to St Pancras for Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation**, and be able to:

- * make the Sign of the Cross properly
- * genuflect properly
- * and say off by heart:
 - ◇ the Our Father
 - ◇ the Hail Mary
 - ◇ the Glory be to the Father
 - ◇ the Prayer to the Guardian Angel



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

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Prayer Box There is now a box at the Lady altar where people can place petitions to Our Lady of Ipswich. These prayer requests may (if you wish) be read out during our Saturday morning devotions to Our Lady & St Pancras.

Catholic East Anglia Copies of the latest edition of our diocesan newspaper, including an article on our recent May procession, are now available, free of charge, at the back of church.

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)

For Diocesan events please see the poster in the porch.

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: Frederick Daly, Mary Sheppard, May Martin, Cyril Marsbury, Beatrice Stopard, Leon Stapel, Edith Reid, Samuel Pagnillo, Kelly Myles Kenneth Pickering, William Kavanagh, Sarah Ling, Hannah Godbold, Thomas Vineyard, Francis Manning, Carmela Stavolo, John Scott, Stanislaw Lodzinski, Herbert Becker, Joseph Czech, Wasyl Gechko, Anne Bulbeck, Josephine Coulthurst, Sheila Young, Frederick Evans, Mildred Clements, Emelinda Ragucci, and Susan McConville. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XXXVIII Having concluded the Eucharistic Prayer, that is, the Canon of the Mass (called the *canon* because it is unchanging; from the Greek *kanōn* meaning *rule*), we turn to the words Our Saviour commanded us when His disciples asked Him to teach them to pray (Mt 6:7-15; Lk 11:1-4). Thus, as the introduction to the Our Father says, we are both commanded and formed by divine teaching to offer this prayer.

Præceptis salutáribus móniti, et divína institutióne formáti audémus dicere:

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

But what does it mean when the same introduction says, ‘*we dare to say...*’—why *dare*?

Throughout history, mankind has feared and paid reverence towards its gods. A god is distant, impersonal, and rather more than a force to be reckoned with. Yet from the moment God spoke His name to Moses from the burning bush (Ex 3:14) He has made Himself known to His chosen people, gradually and over the generations, and revealed Himself to be a Person rather than a mere force or energy. Indeed, in the Gospels He has made Himself known as Three Persons in One Godhead, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

When He became Incarnate, the Son of God revealed something of His relationship with His Father, especially in chapters 13-17 of John's Gospel. In the middle of this long discourse, Our Lord told His disciples, ‘I will not now call you servants... But I have called you friends’ (Jn 15:15). In an astonishing revelation, Our Lord makes known that we can share in the intimacy of His relationship with God the Father, a thing unheard of before in any religion. Whilst it is true that fear of the Lord is the first stage of wisdom (Proverbs 1:7), John also makes known that love drives out fear (1 Jn 4:18). Even so, Our Lord goes further. The same God who warned that anyone who so much as set foot on His holy mountain would die (Ex 19:12), and who struck down Uzzah for daring to steady the Ark when the oxen carrying it stumbled (2 Sam 6:6-8; and 1 Chron 13:9-10), now invites His Son's disciples—His Son's adopted children (1 Jn 3:2) and co-heirs (Rom 8:17)—to call Him ‘Father.’

The choice of this word invites us to an intimacy with God such as the human race had never previously known, although it is also true that the use of *Abba* implies a respect for, and a sense of obedience to, the Father in question. So, *Abba* does not quite imply the intimacy of our English word, ‘Daddy,’ but it does draw us into a sense, as well as the reality, of sonship with the Creator (Gal 4:5-7). And for mere creatures, such a relationship with God is very new to the point of being astounding and even overwhelming! After all, how dare we address the all-powerful, all-knowing, all-present, Creator of the universe in such a way! Except, of course, the Creator's own Son now invites—indeed, commands—us to do exactly that. Hence the introduction to the Our Father in the Mass.

The Fathers of the Church, for example St Jerome (d. 420) and St Augustine (d. 430), emphasized that the use of *Abba*, *Father*, was limited to those who had been fully initiated into the life of the Christian Church through the Sacraments. As Theodoret (d. 458) wrote, ‘We teach this prayer to none of the uninitiated, but only to the faithful. No uninitiated person would dare to say: Our Father who art in heaven... before receiving the grace of adoption.’



Pa-ter noster, qui es in cae-lis: