THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST PANCRAS, IPSWICH

Deum diligere et quœ sunt Dei 'To love God and the things of God'

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Sunday 26th June 2022 13th Sunday of the Year 09:30 — First Communion children 11:30 — Pro Populo

Monday 27th June Requiem 8am (TLM) — Alberto de Pasquale RIP (No Confessions before or rosary after.) Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 10am — Private int.

Tuesday 28th June Vigil of Ss Peter & Paul 8am (TLM) — Theresa Cleary's ints.

Wednesday 29th June Ss Peter & Paul <u>HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</u> 8am (TLM) — for the election of a bishop 12:15pm — Pro Populo 6pm — Holy Souls (E)

Thursday 30th June First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church 12:15pm — In thanksgiving: Anne Abbott

Friday 1st July Votive Mass of the Precious Blood 10am — Lubomira Dederska, Edward Dederskí, Jerzy Dederskí.

Saturday 2nd July Votive Mass of the Visitation of the BVM 10am — Holy Souls Vigil of 14th Sunday of the Year 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: 10th July)



Parish Administrator: Fr Joseph Welch

> Sundays: Yr C Weekdays: Yr 2

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Today 18 children will receive Our Blessed Lord into their hearts as they make their First Holy Communion. Please keep them in *vour prayers:* Leja, Maia, Darrel, Leane, Aleandro, Kaisha, Shayne, David. Malwina. Fabian, Frankie, Adaora, Patrick, Izabela, Thor, Emelia, Theo, and Natalia



Wednesday, 29th June **The Feast of Ss Peter & Paul** HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Masses at: 8am (TLM) + 12:15pm + 6pm (sung) Confessions before each Mass. Rosary after the 12:15pm Mass.

> Three Invitations from Fr Joseph (from last week's sermon)

First, to dress up (rather than down) for Sunday Mass. Second, to treat the church building as a sacred place, with hushed stillness and reverent quiet. Third, to remain kneeling after receiving Holy Communion to make your thanksgiving, at least until the door of the tabernacle is closed once more.

Please consider making a **STANDING ORDER** instead of a weekly cash contribution to the parish. Thank you. BANK: Barclays ACCOUNT NAME: St Pancras Catholic Church SORT CODE: 20-44-51 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00775843 St Pancras Catholic Church is part of the East Anglia Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust: registered charity no. 278742

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today for Peter's Pence. Next week: for Life Charities. 9th/10th July: Apostleship of the Sea

RECENT COLLECTIONS

Missionary Appeal:	£700:04
Diocesan Priest Training:	£661:30
Good Friday Holy Places:	£291:25
Mary's Meals Lent Project:	£2,358:79

Well done everyone and thank you for your generosity.

Induction of Fr Joseph as Parish Priest by Bishop Alan: Tuesday, 5th July at 6pm. There will be a bring & share supper afterwards. All welcome.

For Diocesan events please see the poster in the porch.

Parish lunchtime BBQ: on a Sunday in August. Date and full details to follow.

Domus Consecrations Four households in our parish, which have been preparing for nine weeks for this event, will be consecrated to the Sacred Heart, and enrolled as *Domus*, in the next week or two. Please keep them in your prayers.

Reading lists There are now lists of suggested reading on the homepage of our parish website. The first list suggests books for those who want to learn more about what the Catholic Church actually teaches. The second gives a list of different editions of Catholic Bibles. Other lists are planned.

St Anthony of Padua & the Poor Box If St Anthony finds something you have lost or misplaced, please don't forget to make a donation to the Poor Box by way of saying thank you!

First Communion Next Year? Please see the poster in the porch or the leaflet at the back of church.

Coming soon The launch of St Pancras Catholic Book Club. Each quarter we shall meet to discuss a nominated book of spiritual reading. The first meeting will be in September, and the first book will be *Revelations of Divine Love* by Julian of Norwich. So, get yourself a copy and start to enjoy some summer reading!

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 Alberto de Pasquale who died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick Curran, Ailen Zlotex, Margaret Topple, Francesco Tucciapone, John Kennedy, Alice Steel, Margaret Corbett, Brian Monaghan, Danzil Blake, Margaret Gleeson, Maria Petrovic, Lucille Hambling, Leo O'Connor, John Leek, Gwendoline Blake, Margaret Robinson, Jemaleh Sargent, Frank Morris, Monk Matthew, Concetta Corrino, Lubomira Dederska, John O'Reilly, Christopher Thrower, Wanda Pizzey, Eleanor Peck, Agnes Smith, William Bartolo, Michael O'Hara, and Ivy Lockwood. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. **Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XXXXII** As we have already seen in this series, Christ as the Lamb of God is both a striking and a recurring image in the Sacred Scriptures and in the Church's liturgy and iconography.

The first image of a good shepherd in the Bible is that of Abel, the son of Adam and Eve who offered 'of the firstlings of his flock,' that is, the best (Gen 4:1,4). But just as Cain was born first, sinned by keeping the best of his crop for himself, and through pride and jealousy ended up killing his brother (Gen 4:1-8), so mankind entered the world, sinned by taking the best for himself, and through pride ended up killing his adopted Brother, Our Lord Jesus Christ, who, as the Incarnate Word-Made-Flesh, was born into the world after him. The parallel is not accidental.

Abraham is a shepherd, and famously sacrifices a ram (rather than a lamb) in place of his son Isaac (Gen 22:13). The ram gets its horns caught in the thorns, which, of course, reminds us of Christ being crowned with thorns.

The Old Testament Joseph is a shepherd (Gen 37:1). Moses is a shepherd (Ex 3:1). King David is a shepherd (1 Sam/1 Kings 16:11-13). Many of the key figures throughout the Sacred Scriptures are shepherds although, interestingly, none of the Twelve Apostles are. The imagery of shepherds, of sheep, and of lambs runs throughout.

But Our Lord is both the Priest who offers sacrifice and the Victim who is sacrificed, so, as well as being the Good Shepherd (Jn 10:11) Our Lord is also the Lamb. Christ is the innocent Lamb offered in sacrifice on behalf of a fallen race. St John the Baptist is the first person to herald Our Lord as the Lamb of God (Jn 1:36). The imagery is taken up at the Last Supper when the disciples are commanded to make everything ready for the celebration of the Passover, an episode introduced by Luke with the words, 'And the day of the unleavened bread came, on which it was necessary that the pasch should be killed' (Lk 22:7). The implication is clear: Our Lord is to be the new Passover Lamb who is to be sacrificed so that the Angel of Death might pass over His disciples (Ex 12:13, 23). And, what is more, the Apostles are commanded to offer up this same sacrifice-now in the Sacramental form of Eucharistic Bread and Wine which has become Our Lord's Body and Blood-'as a commemoration for me' (Lk 22:19). In other words, part of what the Apostles are commanded to do is to offer up the Lamb of God, the Lamb of the New Covenant, as a sacrifice for the forgiveness of sins. What is offered up to the Father at Mass is the consecrated Body and Blood of Our Lord, but in making this offering the priest offers up the Lamb of God whose Blood washes away the guilt of sin, the sin of the world (Apoc 7:14; 22:14).

So it is that at this point of the Mass we plead with the sacrificed Lamb of God to have mercy on us and grant us peace, that peace which can only come with penitence on the part of sinners, with the forgiveness of sins bestowed by God, and with a reconciliation and reunion with the God who made us but from whom we have become alienated by sin.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis. 'Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.'

