

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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August is dedicated to
the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday 28th August 2022

22nd Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Mary Florence Augustin RIP (F)

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 29th August

The Beheading of John the Baptist

10am — Paul Francis Clappison

Tuesday 30th August

S. Rose of Lima

8am (TLM) — Jenni Jacob RIP (F)

Wednesday 31st August

S. Aidan & the Saints of Lindesfarne

6pm — Harriette Chow RIP

Thursday 1st September

Feria

12:15pm — Deceased members of the
Flynn family (F)

Friday 2nd September

Feria

10am — Philip Martin Ward RIP (F)

Saturday 3rd September

S. Gregory the Great

10am — Sean O'Farrell RIP (F)

Vigil of the 23rd Sunday of the Year

6pm — Elizabeth & James Bartholomew

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Sat: 30 minutes before each Mass

& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm

1st Friday: 7pm — 8pm

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: 11th Sept.)

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

PARISH BBQ TODAY

from 1pm onwards

in Bill & Brigitte's garden at Topples, Ips-
wich Rd, Holbrook, IP9 2QT

what3words: nurtures.lowest.pricing

*The postcode will not take you all the way
to Bill & Brigitte's front gate so please*

look out for the yellow & white

Vatican flag!

There will be some parking on-site (follow
the signs) but otherwise on the roadside
nearby. Please be considerate to other road
users and neighbours when you park.



BOOK CLUB

Monday 12th September — 7pm

At the first gathering of our parish
Book Club we will discuss **REVELA-
TIONS OF DIVINE LOVE** by Mother
Julian of Norwich. There is still plen-
ty of time to get hold of a copy and to
read it before then.

Fr Joseph will say a few words at the
start, but then the floor will be open
for everyone to contribute to the dis-
cussion, so come along with points of
view and with questions.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK '10 Million too Many'

Saturday, 3rd September

Mass: 11am

St George's Cathedral, Southwark

March: 2pm

beginning at the Emmanuel Centre,
Marsham Street, SW1P 3DW

See poster in the porch for details.
marchforlife.co.uk

WEDNESDAY EVENING TALKS

Beginning 21st September — 7pm

A series of talks and discussions on
ST MATTHEW'S GOSPEL, unpack-
ing some of the multi-layered riches
of the Catholic Faith hidden in the
first of the four Gospels. Read at
least the first chapter beforehand!

Bring a Bible (it doesn't matter
which: Douai-Rheims, RSV, Jeru-
salem, etc), and a notepad and pen-
cil if you wish to take notes, and
join in the discussion.

Annual Pilgrimage Walk
to the Shrine of

OUR LADY OF GRACE OF IPSWICH

Sunday, 4th September

Starting from St Peter's Church on
the Quay at 3pm.

Ending at the Shrine in
St-Mary-at-the-Elms church.

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

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NEW — FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Beginning this week

Friday, 2nd September

Confessions from 7pm to 8pm

(in addition to the usual Confession times)

Wednesday Evening Mass If you think the Wednesday evening Mass should move from 6pm to 7pm please let Fr Joseph know. Thank you.

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

For Diocesan events please see the poster in the porch.

Relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes will be visiting our Cathedral in October. Details to follow.

Did you know...? The famous horse race in Siena, in Italy - the Palio - is held twice a year, on 2nd July in honour of the feast of the Madonna of Provenzano (a local feast of Our Lady) and on 16th August in honour of the Assumption. The word 'palio' comes from the Latin *pallium* which is a covering, and is usually used as a reference to the cloth given as a prize. Interestingly, 'pallium' is also the name given to a narrow piece of woven lamb's wool cloth which hangs over the shoulders and down, front and back, which is given by the pope to newly appointed archbishops (Pictured: Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, wearing a pallium).



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St Ignatius of Loyola said, 'It is not hard to obey when we love the one whom we obey.'

Sick List

Prayers are asked for Rosemary Pease, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, Mary Driscoll, Leighton Scott, Bernie Wood, Graham Wilding, and Larry Crowley.

Of your charity

Please pray for those who have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Helen Rice, Michael Mongan, Margaret Simmons, Leo O'Connor, Ethelynde Gammage, Mary Lambert, George Stocks, Lionel Clutterham, Walter Stuhler, Monica Wright, David Cumming, Rupert Parchment, Maud Shaw, Daniel Baxter, John Banham, Dorothy Flynn, Jeannette Moore, Winifride Adamson, Edward Robinson, Wilfrid Gibson, Elsie Weech, Frances Morris, Thomas High, John Redmond, Sean O'Farrell, David Fahey, Douglas Barber, and Mary Connolly. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Last week we saw the last in our series of fifty reflections on the Mass. Some people have asked whether these might be collected together into a single booklet. We're working on it!

A few parishioners have also asked why the name of the person for whom each Mass is being offered isn't announced during the Mass. This is a perfectly fair question, not least of all because it is a common enough practice elsewhere. Certainly, one can understand—especially in the case of a much loved family member or friend—the emotional impact of hearing the name of a deceased loved one during the Mass. So why not announce the Mass intention?

As we have seen, the Mass is chiefly something Christ does, and into which we are drawn by Him. We have seen what the four ends of the Mass are, and we have seen that the Mass is an act of worship, of adoration, of Almighty God. In other words, the Mass is about God. It is *for* us, of course, but it is *about* God. As such, all attention should be paid towards the living God: all actions, gestures, and prayers should be ordered towards Him and offered to Him. Such a reverent and devout series of actions should not really be the time for making announcements. That's not what the Mass is for, and our homage of our Creator and Redeemer is, perhaps, better served without interruptions and spoken bulletins. It is true that at St Pancras there are a few spoken notices just before the sermon on Sundays, but these somehow stand outside of the Mass, as it were, and are the exception rather than the norm.

In the meantime, all Mass intentions are clearly stated in the newsletter and on the notice on the church door.

This principle also explains why we do not ordinarily announce hymn numbers at Mass, and why the introductions to the readings and psalms during the Liturgy of the Word are kept to a minimum. (Not, 'The first reading is a reading from...' Instead, just a simple, 'A reading from...' And again, not, 'The responsorial psalm: the response is...')

Keeping announcements to a minimum helps to keep us focused on the beauty of the Church's liturgy, which, of course, is beautifully multi-layered and rich enough to speak for itself.

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All too soon we shall begin the month of September. (It seems as if the Christmas tree in the presbytery has only just been taken down!) With September comes many new beginnings, not least of all because we are greeted with the start of a new academic year. The summer holidays are over, school and university terms begin, home-schooling classes start up once more, several diocesan clergy move to new parishes (in Ipswich we say farewell to Fr Peter at St Mary's, Fr Paul at St Mary Magdalen's, and Fr Bineesh at St Mark's), and parish activities that have taken a break are recommenced. Life gets back to normal.

The month of September, like August, is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. In fact, five of the months of the year are dedicated to Our Lady (with another one dedicated to the Holy Family). In the case of September, the month is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows, with her feast falling on 15th of the month, the day following the feast of the Exaltation, or the Triumph, of the Cross.

In the Book of the Apocalypse, we read,

In the midst of the street thereof, and on both sides of the river, was the tree of life, bearing twelve fruits, yielding its fruits every month, and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
(Apoc 22:2)

Chiefly a reference to Christian virtues, I like to think, nevertheless, that it is from this verse that the Church drew Her inspiration when She chose to dedicate each of the months of the year to one or other of the Christian mysteries. As the year picks up many of its tasks and activities once more, perhaps we can all strive to bear in our lives the fruits of our devotion to our Holy Mother who stood at the Foot of the Cross and wept for us.