

# 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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January is dedicated to  
the Holy Name of Jesus

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year*

09:30 — George McMunn RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

## Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

*Feria*

10am — Souls in Purgatory (1/2)

## Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January

*S. Timothy*

8am (TLM) — Bishop Alan Hopes

## Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January

*The Conversion of S. Paul*

6pm — Gintautas Rimkus RIP

## Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January

*Ss Timothy & Titus*

12:15pm — Souls in Purgatory (2/2)

## Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January

*S. Angela Merici*

10am — June Ogundiran RIP

## Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January

*S. Thomas Aquinas*

10am — Susan McShea

*Vigil of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year*

6pm — Mary McInnes

### CONFESSIONS:

**Mon — Sat:** 30 minutes before each Mass

**& Sat:** 5pm — 5:45pm

**1<sup>st</sup> 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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 8am. (Next 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Mass: 12<sup>th</sup> Feb.)

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

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## TAVERN EVENING

SATURDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AT 7PM  
in the parish hall

At last, the long-awaited return of the Tavern Evening! An evening of songs, drink, food, and party pieces, for all the family, in the spirit—and in remembrance—of Fr Sam Leeder, known to many simply as ‘Rev.’ Whether you were here in Fr Leeder’s time or are new to the parish, come along for a fun evening of music and beer (or soft drinks for drivers and Puritans), of friendship and laughter! All welcome.

Bring & share food (hot & cold, savoury & sweet please)  
All drinks included in the price

Tickets must be bought in advance.

Single: £10 Concessions: £7.50 Family (2 adults + 2 or more children): £25

*Complete the form at the back of church and pay either by cash to Fr Joseph or on the Dona machines at the back of church.*

Volunteers to help set up and run the kitchen please!

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## WEDNESDAY EVENING TALKS

Begin again this week at 7pm

*Unpacking the treasures of the Catholic Faith hidden in the Gospel of St Matthew*

This week, we shall look at the words and mission of  
St John the Baptist in Matthew chapter 3.

All welcome, whether or not you have been to any of the talks before.

### RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT

For men and women post-abortion  
17<sup>th</sup> — 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Rachel’s Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Healing Weekends offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of healing.

The retreat will take place in north Norfolk. For further details contact:  
Sona at [sona@rachelvineyard.org.uk](mailto:sona@rachelvineyard.org.uk) or on 07900 734207

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

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## Dates for your Diary 2023

Wednesday Evening talks resume	25 <sup>th</sup> January
Candlemas	2 <sup>nd</sup> February
St Blaise & the Blessing of Throats	3 <sup>rd</sup> February
First Friday Confessions 7pm-8pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> February
Septuagesima Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> February
Catholic Young Adults	10 <sup>th</sup> February
Tavern Evening	11 <sup>th</sup> February
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party	21 <sup>st</sup> February
Ash Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> February
Passiontide begins	26 <sup>th</sup> March
Palm Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Good Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> April
Easter Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> April

**Our Crib collection** this year is, once more, for Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

**The Book Club** will meet next on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> March to discuss *The Cross and the Beatitudes* by Fulton Sheen published by Angelico Press.

**Accommodation sought** by a Catholic man and parishioner of St Pancras. £400pcm or less. Contact Mr Ionut Ciobanu-Milicevic Mob: 07771 044832. Email: ic0161592@gmail.com

### STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMME

#### *Faithful Stewards of God's Gifts*

*In a few weeks' time we shall be launching the Stewardship Programme, a diocesan project to encourage everyone to take a fuller part in, and responsibility for, the life of our parish.*

*With the subtitle, Time, Talents & Treasure, and with the motto, 'Our Parish, Our Responsibility,' the Stewardship Programme is designed to help us identify what we are—what each of us is—able to contribute to the life and growth of St Pancras parish. Watch this space for details.*

### Sick List

Prayers are asked for Rosemary Pease, Jim Convey, Mary Driscoll, Leighton Scott, Bernie Wood, Graham Wilding, Larry Crowley, Brian Price, and Judy Fell.

### Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Simon Marriage, Susan Bell, Seamus McEvoy, and Rosina McNally all of whom have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Irene Zaba (née Skeet), Nancy Sicluna, Ivy Scaife, Margharita Venis, Wladyslaw Balcerzak, Maria Doull, Margaret Chenery, Ivan Saunders, Mary Plant, Michael Twomey, Sue Price, Horace Cattermole, Nellie Whiffing, Maria McDermott, Lilian Chase, Elizabeth Stevenson, John Kobee, Joyce Brennan, Stanislaus Mendes, Ladislaus Voros, Samuel Page, Patrick Duncan, William McInerney, and James Newton. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**Fr Joseph writes:** In part nine of our series on the Creed we see that the Father and the Son are co-eternal and co-equal, that the Son is consubstantial with the Father, that is, that He has the same nature as the Father, and that the Son *is* God.

### BEGOTTEN, NOT MADE, CONSUBSTANTIAL WITH THE FATHER

The belief that Jesus of Nazareth is wholly God as well as wholly Man is central to Christianity. Everything that Christians believe about creation, about the Fall of Mankind, about our redemption, our salvation, our life of virtue, and about our eternal life in heaven, depends on a correct understanding of the Incarnation of the only begotten Son of God.

If the Word of God had been created then He would not be equal to, and with, the Father and could not, therefore, offer an atoning sacrifice on behalf of a fallen race, a sacrifice that would carry sufficient worth to win back from the Father the gifts forfeited by sin. Only a sacrifice of infinite value can appease an infinite God by setting right once more the scales of infinite justice. These scales were left unbalanced by finite Man's ungrateful failure to give to God what is His due. Only someone who is God can give to God what is properly due to God. So, were the Son of God not wholly God, were He not begotten of the same substance as the Father, He would not be able to render a sacrifice that was worthy of the Father.

The Son shares the Father's nature. Both Father and Son are wholly divine. Father and Son are co-eternal. All that distinguishes the Father and the Son is that the Father begets the Son, and the Son is begotten of the Father, and that the Father is not the Son and the Son is not the Father. They are two distinct Persons and yet, because they share one and the same divine nature, they are one God.

The Father exists in an eternal present. Or, rather, the Father *is* eternally present. Similarly, the Son is eternally present. Both were eternally present before the creation was begun. There was never a moment when the Father existed without the Son, or when the Son did not exist with the Father. The Son is the living Word of the Father, the Thought in the Mind of the Father. This Thought, this Word, is the Father's own perfect image of Himself in His own Mind. Because the Father is perfect in every particular, then His Thought, His Word, is perfect, and this perfection includes the perfection of existence. In other words, the Son always existed as



the perfectly begotten image of the Father's own likeness. The union of Father and Son is as intimate and inseparable as that between a thought and the mind which bears that thought. 'I and the Father are one' (Jn 10:30) and 'All that the Father has is mine' (Jn 16:15).

If we can grasp even a little of what this means, then the words of Our Lord in His prayer to His Father become even more powerful: 'That they may all be one, even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee' (Jn 17:21). God wills us to participate in that union with Him that exists between the Father and the Son.

*Detail of the fresco of the Holy Trinity in Ivrea, Italy,  
by Luca Rossetti da Orca (1705-1770)*