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 A Weekdays: Yr 1

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sunday 4th June 2023

Trinity Sunday 09:30 — Pro Populo 11:00 — Alan Rayner RIP

Monday 5th June

St Boniface
10am — Holy Souls

Tuesday 6th June

St Norbert 8am (TLM) — for the restoration of all things in Christ

Wednesday 7th June

Funeral Requiem
12 noon — Michael Shapland
Feria
6pm — Michelina Sabino

Thursday 8th June

Traditional date of Corpus Christi
8am (TLM) — for the restoration of all things in Christ
Votive Mass of Corpus Christi
12:15pm — Holy Souls

Friday 9th June

Feria 10am — Souls in Purgatory 1/2

Saturday 10th June

Our Lady on Saturday 10am — Holy Souls Vigil of Corpus Christi 6pm — Walter McNeela RIP 2/2

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 June)

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI NEXT SUNDAY, 11TH JUNE

Once again, the feast of Corpus Christi is moved from the traditional date of Thursday after Trinity Sunday to the following Sunday (although we shall also mark the traditional feast on Thursday δ^{th} June)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

from the end of the 11am Mass till our devotions begin at 3pm. Please sign the watching list.

CORPUS CHRISTI DEVOTIONS & PROCESSION

3pm

(at which the First Communion children are asked to be present as part of their preparation)



'Come in, let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us'

O SACRUM CONVIVIUM

O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur; recolitur memoria passionis ejus; mens impletur gratia; et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur. Alleluia!

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received; the memorial of His passion is renewed; the soul is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Alleluia!

The beautiful prayer, *O Sacrum Convivium* (attributed to St Thomas Aquinas), is used as the antiphon for the Magnificat at Vespers on the feast of Corpus Christi. It sums up all of the main points of devotion regarding the Blessed Sacrament.

(i) In the Holy Eucharist we receive Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself; not a mere symbol or representation of Him, but Our Lord Himself, the living Son of God. (ii) We receive Him in this sacred banquet precisely because the Mass itself is the continuation in time of the sacrifice of Christ on Calvary: at each Mass Christ's sacrifice is renewed, which means that His Body and Blood (under the appearance of Bread and Wine) are sacrificed to the Father for the sake of our salvation. (iii) Upon receiving His sacred Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in Holy Communion our souls are filled with sanctifying grace by which each soul is nourished. (iv) At the same time, we are promised future glory in heaven if we persevere in a state of grace, or recover a state of grace once more in Confession if we lose it by falling into a state of mortal sin.

Confirmation photos

(with apologies for the delay) may be viewed at: https://photos.app.goo.gl/ZpGm8rhXwSidywGz5

See the home page of our parish website for a link.

Thursday lunches for Mary's Meals: 2nd Thursday of June and July. (We will take a break in August.) Please would anyone willing to prepare either of these lunches let Fr Joseph know. Thank you.

Catholic Young Adults (CYA) for 18-35 year olds will meet on Friday, 9th June at 7pm in church for prayer followed by a discussion about 'Apologetics on Church teaching on sexuality.' Bring food and drink for a shared supper. New people welcome.

Family Enrichment Conference Saturday, 10th June, in Newmarket. See poster at the back of church for details or go to: familyeventconference.eventbrite.co.uk

Walking with Young People A day of reflection for all those who work with young people. Saturday, 10th June. 9:30am—3:30pm at Poringland. See poster for details or go to: rcdea.org.uk/youth

The Book Club will meet on Monday, 12th June to discuss *The Story of A Soul* by St Thérèse of Lisieux, and on Monday, 11th September to discuss St Augustine's *Confessions*.

The First Communion Mass will be at 9:30am on Sunday, 18th June. (The 11am Mass will begin at 11:30am.)

St Carlo Acutis Group for 14—17 year olds will be launched on Thursday, 6th July at 7pm in church.

The Annual Missionary Appeal will take place on the weekend of $1^{st}/2^{nd}$ July.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 8th—25th August 2023. See the pilgrimage website: https://www.tangneytours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/east-anglia-ca

Two excellent books on the Blessed Sacrament are *Adoration: Eucharistic Texts and Prayers Throughout Church History* edited by Daniel Guernsey, and *The Hidden Manna: A Theology of the Eucharist* by James O'Connor, both very readable and both published by Ignatius Press but now out of print. Try searching on: usedbooksearch.co.uk

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

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mick Shapland, who died recently, and of all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frederick Evans, Mildred Clements, Emelinda Ragucci, Susan McConville, George Krol, Mary Perry, Josef Schoeben, Alice Kavanagh, Jessie Rymell, Marie Hayward-Farmer, Frederick Blackwell, Josephine Pryce, Giovanna Petryszyn, Chris Eatwell, Wallace Manthorpe, Alice Marshall, Winifred McCullar, John McCulloch, Sheila Sullivan, Michael McTiernan, Sidney John, Francis Kelly, and Kenneth Gammage. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: In part twenty-one of our 40-part series on the Nicene Creed we consider how all things are...

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCRIPTURES

St Matthew, in particular, writing a Gospel account for Jewish Christians, takes great pains to demonstrate how everything that happens in the ministry of Jesus was foretold in the Scriptures, and that everything that was prophesied in the Old Testament is fulfilled in the person of the Christ. He quotes, or alludes to, passages from the Scriptures more than any of the other three Gospel writers. Even so, St Luke uniquely, in the account of the two disciples walking to Emmaus on the day of resurrection, makes it clear that the Scriptures – that is, the Old Testament – apply directly to this Jesus of Nazareth: 'And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself' (Lk 24:27).

Yet connections between Old Testament prophecies and New Testament events are not drawn by the Evangelists simply to convince their readers that this unlikely character, this carpenter's son from Nazareth, really is the longawaited Messiah. Rather, the Old Testament history of Salvation, and all the narrative events in the history of the People of



Detail from The Road to Emmaus by Robert Zund (1827—1909)

Israel, are given to us to show how God, slowly and over time, has been working His purpose out, as year succeeds to year, as the hymn tells us. The Scriptures are the written account of the unfolding of God's providence and the working out of His purpose in bringing to fulfilment His plan of loving goodness for His wayward creatures, a written account of Divine Providence. Or, as St Augustine puts it rather more pithily, 'In the Old Testament the New is concealed; in the New the Old is revealed.'

There is a remarkable unity to the body of the Scriptures, even when one passage appears to contradict another. Individual and isolated quotations, made use of to prove a theological argument, rarely manage to persuade. Instead, the Church, through millennia of prayerful and studious interpretation, presents a comprehensive and cohesive whole in which the multiple strands of meaning are all connected, one to another, in a richly patterned tapestry. Underlying this unity is God's Providence – that is, the ordering of all events so that the end for which each creature was created may be realized - which has only one objective, namely that the created order should participate in, and thereby manifest, God's glory. Even when creatures, be they angels or human beings, choose not to co-operate with God's will, the Divine ordering of events makes use of the consequences of this disobedience in order to draw out of our waywardness a greater good than the harm caused by our sin in the first place. The Crucifixion is the example par excellence: Christ died on the Cross because of our sins, but God drew out of that death a greater good - redemption, and our eternal salvation - than the original consequences of sin.

Even when our actions appear to frustrate God's design, His ordering of things ensures the unfolding of His plan. Hence, Christ's death and resurrection are seen to be fulfilled in accordance with the Scriptures.