# 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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July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus

# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year 09:30 — Theresa Cleary's int—SPUC 11:00 — Pro Populo

# Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

St Thomas, Apostle 10am — Vera Willis

# Tuesday 4th July

Feria: Mass of Dom. V post Pentecosten 8am (TLM) — Theresa Cleary's int.

# Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

St Anthony Zaccaria 6pm — Holy Souls

# Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July

St Maria Goretti 12:15pm — Colleen Milne RIP

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July Feria: 13<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year 10am — Holy Souls

# Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July

St Withburga

10am — Hamilton Sousa's int (deceased family members)

Vigil of 14th Sunday of the Year

6pm — Florence Downard RIP (F)

#### CONFESSIONS:

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

5pm — 5:45pm 7pm — 8pm & Sat: 1st Friday:

**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: 9<sup>th</sup> July)

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

### **OUR LADY OF IPSWICH**

Our new statue of Our Lady of Ipswich will remain in the sanctuary for about a month so that everyone has a chance to see her. After that, she will be removed to the Lady chapel which will become her new home.

There will be a Mass of welcome on Thursday, 13th July at 12:15pm celebrated by the dean, Fr John Barnes from Felixstowe, assisted by other priests from the deanery of Ipswich. She is, after all, Our Lady of Ipswich, not Our Lady of St Pancras! The Mass will be followed by our July Thursday lunch in the parish hall. Please join us!

Our Lady of Ipswich is also known as Our Lady of Grace. Indeed, it may have been in Ipswich where Our Blessed Lady was first known under this title. The feast of Our Lady of Grace is 15th May. Bishop Peter has already agreed to come and say Mass for us on that day in 2024, and to bless the new statue, on what will be the first feast day of Our Lady of Grace since the new statue arrived. Please put these two dates in your diary: 13th July 2023 and 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Our Lady of Ipswich, pray for us.

### MISSIONARY APPEAL — TODAY!

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This weekend we welcome Fr Tom Ryan from the Missionary Society of St Columban. Fr Tom will talk about the work of the Society across the world, and ask for our prayers as well as our financial support. Please be as generous as you possibly can in supporting the Church's missionary work of sanctifying and saving souls.



### THE BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS GROUP

for 14—17 year olds

The group will be launched this week, on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July, the feast of St Maria Goretti, at 7pm, beginning in church. Please join us for prayer, to learn more about the Catholic Faith, to meet other Catholics your own age, and—hopefully—to have a bit of fun. Please bring a snack/drink. The meeting will end at 8:30pm. Before you arrive, try to find out something about Blessed Carlo Acutis!

We will then take a break over the summer and resume every month, on the first Thursday of the month, beginning on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

> 'The Eucharist is my highway to heaven!' Blessed Carlo Acutis

## Parish BBQ

Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> August — from 1pm onwards

Keep the day free! More details to follow.

Last year's BBQ was a great success with over 70 people coming and going throughout the afternoon. Please come and join us: sit and chat, catch up with friends, meet parishioners you haven't met before, relax and enjoy yourselves. All welcome.

Sea Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a special second collection next weekend for the work of Stella Maris which provides chaplaincy support for all seafarers. Once again, please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

**Confirmation photos** may be viewed using the link on the homepage of the parish website.

The new edition of the parish magazine is now available at the back of church and on our website free of charge.

Our Over 60s group meets every Friday for coffee and a chat after the 10am Mass and rosary. Please join us.

**Catholic Young Adults** (CYA), for 18-35 year olds, meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month at 7pm. New faces welcome.

Wednesday evening talks are taking a summer break. Back in the autumn.

Masses may be booked to be said for the living or the dead. Please complete a Mass Offering envelope from the back of church. We cannot guarantee to say the Mass on the preferred date but will get as close to it as possible. A typical Mass offering is £10.

The Registration window for next year's First Communion and Confirmation candidates will close on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The classes are only open to those families who already worship at St Pancras regularly. Registration forms may be collected from Fr Joseph.

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

#### Judy Fell RIP

Judy's funeral requiem Mass we be at 11am on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the soul of Judy Fell and John Acott, both of whom died recently, and of all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John O'reilly, Christopher Thrower, Wanda Pizzey, Eleanor Peck, Agnes Smith, William Bartolo, Michael O'Hara, Ivy Lockwood, Michael Connolly, Joyce Rands, John Lynch, Audrea Monkhouse, Ernesto Zagni, Concetta Borg, Francis Borg, Helen White, Gertrude Box, Francis Skibinski, Florence Morgan, Marion Jarvis, James Green, Joan Eyton, Eva Kerby, Mary McAtamney, Mary Barnes, Florance Downard, and Catherine Messier. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**Fr Joseph writes:** In part twenty-four of our 40-part series on the Nicene Creed we consider the Second Coming of Christ.

### HE WILL COME AGAIN IN GLORY

The first coming of the Son of God Incarnate into our world was hidden. His conception in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the time of the Annunciation was kept from the eyes of all, and His birth in the stable in Bethlehem was known only to His Blessed Mother and to her spouse, St Joseph. Only afterwards was His birth announced by a choir of angels to the shepherds and made known to the Wise Men by the appearance of a star.

St Jerome, following St Ignatius, tells us that one reason for the marriage of Mary and Joseph was to hide the birth of Our Lord from the eyes of the devil who thinks that this is the child of a married woman, and not of a virgin. In the meantime, although the Savior's birth was made known to some – for example, to Mary's kinswoman Elizabeth and her family, and to Simeon - nevertheless His identity remained hidden from the world until He embarked on His public ministry thirty years later. Even then the devil seemed unsure of His identity: 'If you are the Son of God...' he says three times (Mt 4:1 -11; Lk 4:1-13), although the dæmons know well enough who He is soon afterwards (Mk 1:24; Lk 4:33-37). Indeed, in a perplexing comment, Our Lord Himself said that He would only speak in parables in case hearing, the people might come to understand (Mt 13:13-17). Surely He wants people to understand, so why keep His meaning hidden? Perhaps to ensure that His words cannot be bandied about as mere soundbites by careless talkers but may, instead, be savored and interpreted only by those willing to meditate upon them and apply themselves to a proper understanding through discipleship. In any case, there is much that Our Lord did that was hidden from the eyes of the crowds (for example, Mt 14:23; Mk 4:34).

However, Our Lord's second coming, to which all Christians look forward, will be quite different: 'When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then will He sit on His glorious throne' (Mt 25:31; see also Lk 21:27; 1 Thess 4:15). There will be nothing hidden about the second coming of Christ, nor will anyone – believer and unbeliever alike – be left in any doubt about what is happening and who it is that has come upon the earth. Indeed,



Detail from the fresco of Christ the Redeemer in Glory with the Heavenly Host (1588) by Circignani Il Pomarancio in the Basilica of Santi Giovanni e Paulo, Rome

men will faint with fear at what is happening for even the powers of Heaven will be shaken (Lk 21:25-26).

In the Person of Christ we find the definitive fulness of God's revelation. Whilst our understanding, both individually and collectively, may develop down the years, nothing new will be made known to us that has not already been revealed during what we call the Apostolic Age, that is, from the moment of the birth of Christ to the death of the last of the Apostles. At the moment of His second coming, even the fulness of His divine glory, laid aside at the Incarnation (Phil 2:5-11), will be made manifest.