

# 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 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

*16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year*

09:30 — Judy Fell RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July

*St Sharbel Makhlûf*

10am — Holy Souls

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July

*St James, Apostle*

8am (TLM) — Fr Henry Whisenant

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July

*Ss Joachim & Anne*

6pm — Peter Merlehan RIP

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July

*Feria*

12:15pm — Claire & Jim Convey's ints.

## Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July

*Feria*

10am — Holy Souls

## Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July

*St Martha*

10am — Digby William Brown RIP (F)

*Vigil of 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year*

6pm — Holy Souls

### 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

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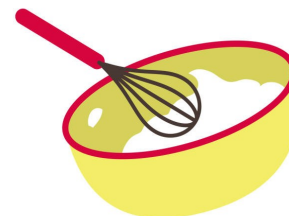
**S. PANCRAS:** Sat after 10am Mass

**TLM Masses:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 8am. (Next 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Mass: 13<sup>th</sup> August)

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

## OUR LADY OF IPSWICH RECIPE COMPETITION!

Just as we have a St Pancras Pie, so we are going to have a competition to find a dish for Our Lady of Ipswich. The dish may be savoury or sweet, hot or cold. The recipe must be original and not copied from a book or a website (although it may be 'grandma's favourite' so long it doesn't appear in a published book already). Dishes need to be presented for judging in the parish hall on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> September following the 11am Mass (the Sunday nearest to Our Lady's birthday). There will be a small panel of judges. The winning recipe will be adopted as the parish's official 'Our Lady of Ipswich dish.'



*Our Lady of Ipswich, pray for us.*

## ST MARTHA — f.d. 29<sup>th</sup> JULY

Tradition tells us that, after the first persecutions of Christians, Saint Martha, with her sister Mary Magdalene, and her brother Lazarus, along with other disciples, left their own land and went to France, arriving in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, in Provence, where they brought the Christian faith. The liturgical memorial of Saint Martha was begun by Franciscans, in 1262, who celebrated her feast on 29 July, eight days after the feast of her sister, St Mary Magdalene. In Bethany (now known as El-Azariyeh, "the place of Lazarus"), one can find the tomb of Lazarus, as well as a sanctuary built upon the remains of Byzantine and Crusader structures, themselves constructed on top of a pre-existing structure. This is believed to be the house of Martha. The church, with its sanctuary in the form of a Greek-cross, is embellished with beautiful mosaics, that portray the episodes related in the Gospel that refer to Martha, Mary, and Lazarus.

*Detail from Christus im Hause der Martha, attrib. George Friedrich Stettner (d.1639)*



## FR JOSEPH WILL BE AWAY

from the afternoon of Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> July

to the afternoon of Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August inclusive.

Fr Russell Frost has kindly agreed to cover all Masses and Confessions so there will be **NO CHANGE** to the Mass and Confession schedule.

## Recent Collections

**May:** Standing orders: £1,520; Dona: £1,845:66; green envelopes: £945:23; collection plate: £3,381:59 Total: £7,692:48.

**June:** Standing orders: £1,471; Dona: £1,239:72; green envelopes: £681:40; collection plate: £1,813:73. Total: £ 5,205:85.

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

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## 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.



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

**Catholic Young Adults** (18-35) 30<sup>th</sup> July summer event: Meet at St Pancras Church at 3pm for an afternoon of praying the 'full' rosary (15 decades) across three Ipswich churches, followed by a BBQ in a nearby park. If there is bad weather, the rosary will be prayed at St Pancras and the BBQ will move to the parish hall. Please bring snacks to accompany the meat which will be provided.

**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.

**Please note** that Fr Joseph's day off each week is Tuesday. It is unlikely that knocks at the front door or emails will be answered, or that 'phone calls will be returned, on Tuesdays.

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**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.

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

### Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Acott, who died recently, and of all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Colman Stanton, Stanislaw Crzedzielski, Evelyn Davies, Teresa Kerby, Bridget Williams, Peter Zwozdiak, Arthur McHugh, Lilian Barnes, Dominic Curran, Brandon Gilardi, Robert Hunt, Sheila Wade, Joan Wiseman, Larszlo Schaar, Violet Chinery, Florence Scaife, Mavis West-erling, Kerry Patten, Carlo Tortonese, and Mary Sheridan. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**Fr Joseph writes:** We resume our consideration of the Creed with a reflection on Christ's everlasting kingdom.

### AND HIS KINGDOM WILL HAVE NO END

As we have seen, God dwells in an *eternal present* with no past and no future. Following the second coming of Our Lord at the end of the world as we know it, there will be no more time because time itself is part of the created order which will have been consummated in the new creation. Eternity for us will not consist of a future which stretches out infinitely beyond the horizon, nor will it involve a series of repetitions, or even a stasis, extending further than the eye can see or the mind imagine, threatening an overwhelming monotony. Rather, we will participate in God's eternal present, and join with Him in a life of perfect blessedness which, in its richness and its satisfying of mind, body, and soul, will exceed our wildest imaginings.



*Christ the King,  
Goesdorf,  
Luxembourg*

It is this Kingdom which will have no end, a Kingdom over which God holds sway as its Creator and Redeemer (Rom 5:21), a Kingdom consisting of all that has been re-created in the order of grace (Rev 21:1), of all those who have had their robes washed white in the blood of the Lamb (Rev 7:14; 22:14), of all those ranks of angels who remained faithful to their Maker in the face of Lucifer's cosmic rebellion (Rev 12:7-9). In short, it will be a Kingdom inaugurated by Our Lord at the moment of His Incarnation, throughout all the moments of His life, death, resurrection, and ascension into Heaven; a Kingdom which now comprises all that Our Lord has drawn to Himself in being raised up, on the Cross, in His resurrection, and in His ascension (Jn 12:32).

In truth, those in a state of grace already participate in this *eternal present* even whilst still living here on earth, for the Kingdom of God is not only at hand with the coming of the Son of God (Mk 1:15) but is already within those who have been baptized (Lk 17:21; Jn 1:12; Jn 3:3-5). To have received sanctifying grace in baptism, and not to have lost it again through sin, or to have had it restored once more through the Sacrament of Confession, is to have the Kingdom of God within us, and to participate already in God's *eternal present*. To this extent a person may be said already to have one foot in heaven, for to be in a state of grace on earth or in a state of glory in Heaven is to participate in one and the same thing, namely the life of God.

Even so, there remains a tension, and we still pray every day, 'Thy Kingdom come,' because whilst God's kingdom is indeed established here on earth, it is not yet unqualified, either within any given individual or within society as a whole. Like wheat and weeds growing together in the same field (Mt 13:24-30), sin and death remain as authorities and powers whose conquest has been accomplished but which conquest is yet to be completed and perfected.