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

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday 27th August 2023 21st Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Sean O'Farrell RIP (F) 11:00 — Una McWeeny RIP

Monday 28th August

St Augustine

10am — Mary Augustine RIP (F)

Tuesday 29th August The Beheading of John the Baptist 8am (TLM) — Jenni Jacobi RIP (F)

Wednesday 30th August

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, & Margaret Ward 6pm — Rudolf Belšak RIP

Thursday 31st August

St Aidan & the Saints of Lindisfarne 12:15pm — Deceased members of the Flynn family (F)

Friday 1st September

Votive Mass of St Giles 10am — Mrs Harriette Chow

Saturday 2nd September Our Lady on Saturday 10am — Holy Souls Vigil of 22nd Sunday of the Year 6pm — Holy Souls

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — *Sat*: 30 minutes before each Mass

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

ADORATION: Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm Mon — Fri: after Mass **ROSARY:**

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: 10th Sept.) Traditional Latin Masses (TLM) are said according to the Missal used before the Second Vatican Council.

PARISH BBQ TODAY — 27TH AUGUST

Details for those who are coming to the BBQ: from 1pm onwards



in Bill & Brigitte's garden at Topples, Ipswich Rd, Holbrook, IP9 2QT what3words: nurtures.lowest.pricing

Look out for the Vatican flag!

BRING A BOTTLE, either alcoholic or soft, or both, as well as YOUR DISH (SALAD OR PUDDING), and a GARDEN CHAIR if you have one. All sausages and burgers—meat and vegetarian—as well as chicken pieces will be provided.

There will be some parking on-site. Turn off the road by the Vatican flag and down a narrow path with a hedge on the right and a wooden fence on the left. Parking will be further down the path on the right. Otherwise on the roadside nearby. Please be considerate to other road users and neighbours if you park on the roadside.

PILGRIM WALK

To the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace of Ipswich

Sunday, 3rd September 2023 — 3pm

Using the route planned by Cardinal Wolsey, we will start at St Peter's on the Quay at 3pm (IP4 1BF), to Lady Lane (the site of the mediæval shrine), and on to the shrine in St-Mary-at-the-Elms church (IP1 1EY). Our own bishop, Peter Collins, will be represented by our dean, Fr John Barnes.

> Please come along and pray for the conversion of Ipswich and of England.

In the absence of any other news this week here's a picture of a pair of Great Crested Grebes such as you might find on almost any lake or reservoir in the UK, including here in Suffolk.



Parish Magazine Deadline for submitting copy: Wednesday, 6th September. News and views, essays and articles, poems and jokes, memories and travelogues: all welcome. matilda79r@gmail.com

In particular, please remember our Q&A section where parishioners can ask Fr Joseph questions about the Faith and he will attempt to answer them in the next edition of the magazine. Children and young people are especially encouraged to ask!

OUR LADY OF IPSWICH RECIPE COMPETITION!

Sunday, 10th September after the 11am Mass

Bring your prepared dish along, with a written copy of the recipe, and enter the competition. No pre-booking, and no fees. Just turn up. The dish may be hot or cold, savoury or sweet. You can even place more than one entry. The only rule is that the recipe must be original (even if it's granny's or mum's original). The winning recipe will be adopted as the parish's official 'Our Lady of Ipswich dish.'

The Bd Carlo Acutis Group for 14-17 year olds will meet next on Thursday 5th October at 7pm.

Catholic Young Adults (CYA) for 18-35 year olds will meet next on Friday, 13th October at 7pm.

Do you know what simony is? And why it was condemned? Find out at our brand new series of Wednesday evening talks this autumn.

The 11am Mass Choir is enjoying a well-earned holiday during August.

The Registration window for next year's First Communion and Confirmation candidates will close on 30th 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.

Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ronaldo Caldarelli, Emanuel Hulewicz, Jennie Jacobi, Alice Maguire, Thomas Brick, Joan Norfolk, Helen Rice, Michael Mongan, Margaret Simmons, Leo O'Connor, Ethelynde Gammage, 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, Wlsie Weech, and Frances Morris. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: In part 31 of our forty-part series on the Creed we see how the Holy Spirit is the inspiration for, and the guarantor of the inerrancy of, Holy Scripture.

WHO HAS SPOKEN THROUGH THE PROPHETS

God, 'who, in many and various ways, spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets... in these last days... has spoken to us by a Son,' (Heb 1:1-2a). The Holy Spirit is the One who has prompted the writing of the Word of God which we call the Scriptures or the Bible. Individual writers have put pen to paper, sometimes after receiving an oral tradition many years old, but their writings are deemed always to have been inspired by the Holy Spirit (from the Latin, *inspirare*, to breathe or blow into). As such, the Bible is deemed to be the inerrant Word of God.

This is not to say that the Bible is necessarily a literal record asserting the historical accuracy of events exactly as they happened, in the way that modern historians might demand, or that it is an account of certain happenings according to modern scientific theories and proofs, as today's scientists would require. But the Scriptures do, nevertheless, convey Truth, albeit in a number of different forms and genres. For example, the Catholic Church does not insist that the world was created in six periods of twenty-four hours. However, the story of the Creation in the first two chapters of Genesis contain theological truths, such as that God created the material world out of nothing, that He created a first man and a first woman, the nature of God's original plan for mankind, that mankind fell from a state of grace, and so forth. As we know, it also contains geological truths: the order in which the story of Creation in the Book of Genesis is related conforms to what we know of the appearance of life on earth, namely the formation of dry land, before the arrival of plant life, before the arrival of sentient life, before the arrival of human beings. (Remember, the story contained in Genesis was first told many thousands of years ago, long before modern scientific methods were developed.)

Similarly, the creation narrative does not exclude the possibility of the Big Bang theory, which was, as we have seen, first proposed by a Catholic priest. Neither does the Catholic Church positively disavow Darwin's theory of evolution, although Pope Pius XII said that its compatibility with the Church's dogma of there being a first man and a first woman was still to be shown. Despite the divide in the popular imagination between science and religion, in fact there can be no incompatibility: science seeks to explain *how* things are whilst religion explores *why* things are. Both fields present strands of the Truth.

As in all other matters regarding our redemption, sanctification, and salvation, God works with – chooses to collaborate with – His own creatures in bringing about revelation through the Scriptures. What is written down in the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, is the result of a collaboration between God's Providence (God's governance and guidance

of the order He has created) and the submission to that Providential Will on the part of numerous individuals.

The Road to Emmaus by Altobello Melone (1516-17)

