

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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October is dedicated
to Our Lady of the Rosary

Sunday 22nd October 2023

29th Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Francisco Cordoso & family RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 23rd October

St John Capistrano

10am — Joaquim & family RIP

Tuesday 24th October

St Raphael

8am (TLM) — Chiang Boon Gek RIP

Wednesday 25th October

St Ferial

6pm — Elizabeth Layton RIP (F)

Thursday 26th October

Ferial

12:15pm — Aurelio Catraio & family RIP

Friday 27th October

Ferial

10am — Holy Souls

Saturday 28th October

Ss Simon & Jude

10am — Maria Teresa Catraio RIP

Vigil of 30th Sunday of the Year

6pm — Holy Souls

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Sat: 30 minutes before each Mass

& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm

1st Friday: 6pm — 7pm

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: 12th Nov.)

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

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OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

Each Sunday in October at 4:30pm

Hymn, Litany of Loreto, *fervorino*, the rosary & concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Parents, bring your family along at least once during October to show your children something of the beauty of our Catholic liturgical heritage.



WEDNESDAY EVENING TALKS CONTINUE THIS WEEK — 7PM

FROM NICÆA TO VATICAN I

WHAT DOES THE CATHOLIC CHURCH REALLY TEACH?

A look at the teachings of the Catholic Church as formulated at, and taught by, the first twenty Great Ecumenical Councils

This week, the Council of Chalcedon and the Second Council of Constantinople

Today Second Collection

for *Missio*

(the Association for the Propagation of the Faith)

Collecting funds for overseas missions.

Please give generously.



NEXT WEEK — TWO HOLY DAYS

1ST & 2ND NOVEMBER

ALL SAINTS & HOLY SOULS

On both days:

Masses: 8am (TLM), 12:15pm followed by the rosary, 7pm (sung)

Confessions for 30 minutes before all Masses

REVERENCE FOR THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

'Make frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament and the devil will be powerless against you.'

St John Bosco

"All things are lawful, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful, but not all things edify. Let no man seek his own but that which is another's [that is, Christ's]" (1 Cor 10:23). Communion in the hand, though lawful, is not profitable because it dilutes the significance of the centre of our Catholic Faith. Communion in the hand can lead to a debasing of what we must exalt. It can weaken our understanding of the sacrifice of Calvary.



Please remain kneeling in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, and especially after receiving Holy Communion until Our Lord is reposed once more in the tabernacle and the door is closed.

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

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Adult Confirmation Group Thursday, 26th October at 6:30pm in the parish hall. If you have missed being Confirmed, for whatever reason, and would like to receive the Sacrament next May, please come along.

St Albans School Fireworks Display Friday, 3rd November. 6pm—8pm. Buy tickets in advance. See poster in the porch.

Bd Carlo Acutis Group Because of Holy Souls day, the next meeting will be on the *second* Thursday of November, that is, the 9th (and not the first Thursday as usual).

November Dead List envelopes are available at the back of church. Please write on a piece of paper the names of deceased loved ones for whom you would like a Mass said, pop it into the envelope along with your Mass offering, and return it to the sacristy or the presbytery. (A typical Mass offering is £10 per envelope, not per name!)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Feast of All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation)

Wednesday, 1st November

Commemoration of the Holy Souls

Thursday, 2nd November

Blessing of Graves at Ipswich Cemetery

Sunday, 5th November at 2:30pm

Deanery Requiem Mass

Thursday, 16th November, 12:15pm

Feast of Christ the King

Sunday, 26th November.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 11am until Benediction at 5pm

First Sunday of Advent

3rd December

Advent Devotions

Wednesdays in Advent, 6:30pm

Book Club

Monday 11th December at 7pm

(*The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis)

Carols by Candlelight & Blessing of Cribs

Sunday, 17th December, 4pm

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

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ethel Moss, Mary Ridley, Orland Spiezick, Dorothy Richardson, Thomas Summer, Philip Fox, Maria Roswitha, Raymond Williams, John Barker, Gwendoline Glover, Santina Capasso, Karoly Jezec, Christina Bateman, Danny Sweeney, Beryl Cutbush, Edith Glanville, Maureen Dalzell, Wilfrid Deheney, William Hargreaves, Amelia Catchpole, Bridget Corrigan, John Starzak, Lilian Studholme, James Fitzpatrick, Evelyn Squire, William Thompson, and Susan Hunt. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: In the penultimate part of our forty-part series on the Creed we look at heaven.

AND THE LIFE OF THE WORLD TO COME

We have seen how, with God, there is no future and no past, only an *eternal present*. As a consequence, we need not fear a heaven made up of a never-ending sameness, or a series of repetitions, that goes on for ever and ever and ever. Rather, heaven will consist of a single moment – not frozen in time, for there will be no time – but, as it were, an eternal moment of bliss, of spiritual ecstasy, in which joy is unspoiled by the threat of its passing, and undimmed by its being eternal. The delights of heaven are unimaginable to us whilst we are still confined to this mortal body. We do not know yet ‘what we shall be,’ but we know nevertheless that once we are in heaven ‘we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is’ (1 Jn 3:2). In other words, we shall see Him not as we do now, ‘in a mirror dimly, but... face to face’ (1 Cor 13:12). It is this face-to-face vision that we call the Beatific Vision, and which will be our eternal reward for following the Lamb faithfully throughout our lives to the point of death.

To summarize: God is not *potential* but *actual*. That is, with God, there is no potential for change, no possibility of His ever being different from what He is now. Instead, He simply *is*: ‘I AM WHO AM’ (Ex 3:14). What He is, and who He is, never changes. He is always faithful to what and who He was in the beginning.

When we are in heaven, we will participate in this being *actual*. We, too, will no longer be subject to change for we will have been perfected, and be, at last, truly what God would have us be. But, once again, because of the nature of God’s *eternal present*, there will be no threat of tedium, or of a monotonous sameness. Instead, our joy will be, quite literally, unconfined.

But what will we *do* in heaven? We will do what we were created by God to do in the first place, namely love. We will give to our God what is His due, and to our neighbours what is their due, loving Him, and them, perfectly and joyfully. We will *give* love generously, and we will *receive* love graciously, without there being any risk of love being *taken*, either by us or from us. Just what this will look or feel like, we cannot yet know. And it is perhaps because of this unknown that it is difficult to present to the world an image that would excite or satisfy: to most people heaven sounds boring, but that is only because we do not have the experience and the words to describe it properly. That, after all, is the nature of faith: ‘the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not [yet] seen’ (Heb 11:1).



Christ Glorified in the Court of Heaven (c.1423-4)
by Fra Angelico