

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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February is dedicated to
the Holy Family



Sunday 4th February 2024

Fifth Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Regina Hulewicz RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 5th February

St Agatha

10am — Oliver & Anne Merlehan

Tuesday 6th February

St Titus

8am (TLM) — The Boylan family

Wednesday 7th February

Feria

6pm — Holy Souls

Thursday 8th February

St Josephine Bakhita

12:15pm — Anthony Glaccum RIP

Friday 9th February

Feria

10am — Pat & Aine Merlehan

Saturday 10th February

St Scholastica

10am — Holy Souls

Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of the Year

6pm — Anthony Glaccum RIP

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: 11th Feb.)

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

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St Josephine Bakhita, *f.d.* 8th February

During 2022, in our diocese alone, 746 souls were found enslaved and rescued. Police say this is the tip of the iceberg. A new group is forming in the diocese to help to reduce modern slavery here, and we are looking for young & older volunteers to join the group. No previous knowledge or experience required, just a wish to end slavery in our diocese. Contact john_simong@hotmail.com, and read the leaflet about St Josephine Bakhita at rcdea.org.uk/caritas-east-anglia/modern-slavery

DOMUS HOLY HOUR

Thursday, 8th February at 6pm

For all those who are consecrated as Domus in our parish, for those who are preparing to be consecrated, and for anyone who would like to join us for an hour of prayer to, and adoration of, our Eucharistic Lord.

Followed by refreshments in the hall.

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS (18-35 year olds)

Friday, 9th February at 7pm

We will say Vespers in Church, followed by a talk and a discussion about the nature of prayer. Please bring refreshments. Newcomers most welcome.

PANCAKE PARTY

Tuesday, 13th February at 6pm

Bring along some pancake mixture and other delights (cakes etc). Soft drinks provided. All welcome.



ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, 14th February

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

Masses at: 8am (TLM) 12:15pm 7pm (sung)
with the imposition of ashes at all Masses.

Confessions before each Mass. Rosary after the 12:15pm Mass.

DURING LENT

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays from 10:30am till Benediction at 5:30pm, and

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday at 4:30pm

HOLY WEEK & THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) are still a long way off but now is the time to put the dates in your diary and organize your work and holiday schedules so that you can get to each of the main services:

Maundy Thursday (28 March)—Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8pm

Good Friday (29 March)—Liturgy of the Passion at 3pm

Holy Saturday(30 March)—Easter Vigil at 9pm

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

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Thursday Lunch This week at 1pm. (If you would like to prepare the Thursday lunch please speak to Fr Joseph.)

Thursday Lunches If you would like to help prepare Thursday lunches during Lent please contact Fr Joseph.

Catholic Mothers' Group meets every Monday in school term time at about 11am for the five Cs: coffee, cake, chat, catechism, and chaos. Toddlers welcome.

Church Cleaning Group Please join us every Friday straight after the rosary, grab a duster or a mop, and help us to keep God's house clean and tidy. Thank you.

Catholic Young Adults (18-35 year olds) Next meeting: Friday 9th February at 7pm.

Book Club Monday, 11th March at 7pm to discuss *The Mass in Slow Motion* by Mgr Ronald Knox.

Rosary Crusade We are praying for the conversion of souls in Ipswich and beyond and will lay a spiritual bouquet at the feet of Our Lady when the Bishop comes to bless our new statue in May. Please complete a slip week by week.

The CTS Sunday Missal 2024 Copies are available for sale at the back of church priced £9:95.

Lifts to Mass Might someone (or a team of people) be able to offer lifts to Mass for a resident of a care home on the Henley Road please? If so, speak to Fr Joseph.

Lent at St Pancras Please take one of our booklets giving details of all of our services and events during Lent.

Saturday Sacristan We're looking for someone to help set up everything for Adoration on Saturday afternoons once a fortnight, and to clear things away again after the evening Mass. If you can help, please speak to Fr Joseph.

Diocesan newspaper Copies of the latest edition are available now with two articles about life at St Pancras.

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

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the souls of James O'Sullivan, Anthony Glaccum, and Patricia Al-Salih who died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Claudia Wilding, Daniel Inman, Charles Doyle, Geraldine Abbot, Joseph Lambert, Regina Hulewicz, Patrick Usher, Marie Bowe, Katherine Reynard, Nigel Coote, Florence Nickols, Henry D'Andrade, Joan Walsh, Angela Walsh, Shirley Reynolds, Winifred Melero, William Smith, Violet Eves, Agnes Thornhill, Ella Davis, Mary-Josephine Christian, Nicolo Conlon, Clifford Forbes, Patrick McPherson, Luke Langley, Vanessa Manwaring, William McKean, Agnes McDermot, Perfecto Burgess, Evelyn Burchnall, Mary Thornberry, Anne Casey, James Connolly, William Ecroyd, Catherine Cudworth, Barbara Crisp, and Doreen Bowers. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

The parish **SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE** is Mim McMahon who may be contacted by anyone of any age, at any time, with any safeguarding concerns: 01394 274395 or 07813199275 or mim@trianglemusic.info or mim.macmahon@gmail.com

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Fr Joseph writes: We continue our new series on the Sacraments by considering 'the order of signs.'

THE SACRAMENTS PT 4 — IN THE ORDER OF SIGNS

We have looked at three remarkable features of God's plan for mankind, and of our holy religion, namely that God willed from the outset that the works of creation and governance, of redemption and salvation, should be collaborative endeavors between Creator and creatures. Second, that collaboration would be brought about through the free will of His creatures. Third, that the collaboration would involve not just rational but inanimate and insensate creatures as well, including the material fabric of the created order itself. In other words, from the beginning God willed to work with, in, and through His creatures in order to bring about their greatest possible good, that is, their closest union with the God who so loved them that He made them in the first place to be with Him and to share for all eternity in His goodness, truth, and beauty.

Throughout the course of divine revelation and of salvation history God has made use of people and things to reveal Himself to His creatures and to accomplish His will for them. For example, God made use of a rainbow to make known His covenant with Noah (Gen 9:12-13), and fire and a bush to reveal Himself to Moses (Ex 3:2). He used fire and smoke to make known His presence on the holy mountain and in the Tent of Meeting (Ex 19:18; 40:36). He used people, for example Moses, to make known His might to others, for example to Pharaoh (Ex 3:10). He used angels to announce His plan to His servants and handmaids, for example in the Annunciations to Zechariah and to Mary (Lk 1:11,26). The list of examples throughout the Bible when God made use of people and objects as signs to make Himself and His will known is almost endless.

The definitive entrance of God into His created order came with the Incarnation of His Son when the Word of God became flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin. In the Incarnation, the divine and the human, the uncreated and the created, the heavenly and the earthly, the supernatural and the natural, meet and intersect in what we call the 'hypostatic union,' that is, the union of two natures and wills (divine and human) in a single person, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, the Person of the Son of God Incarnate, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Truly, 'the Word was made flesh' (Jn 1:14).

At the moment of the Incarnation, the Son of God, not clinging to His equality with the Father, humbled Himself and became as we are, even to the point of death, but without sin (Phil 2:5-8). In so humbling Himself, He placed Himself within the created order or, as one writer has put it, 'He placed Himself in the order of signs, in the order of symbols.'* In His humanity, the Son of God became the mediator between Creator and creature as well as the sign of that mediation, as it had been foretold, 'The Lord Himself shall give you a sign' (Is 7:14).

**The Mystery of Faith and Human Opinion Contrasted & Defined* by Maurice de la Taille, SJ, London: Sheed & Ward, 1934, p212.

ROSARY CRUSADE

Praying the rosary to Our Lady of Ipswich for the Conversion of Souls in Ipswich and Beyond

(Please return slips to Fr Joseph or place them in the Prayer Request box in front of the Lady altar. Thank you.)

Week Beginning...

(Please enter date here)

Number of rosaries said for this intention
this week (and your initials):