

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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May is dedicated to
the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 26th May 2024

The Most Holy and Undivided Trinity

8am (TLM) — Holy Souls

09:30 — Pro Populo

11:00 — Ryszard Dajnowicz RIP

Monday 27th May

St Augustine of Canterbury

10am — for the Domus of the Parish

Tuesday 28th May

St Augustine of Canterbury

8am (TLM) — Holy Souls

Wednesday 29th May

Feria

6pm — Holy Souls

Thursday 30th May

* *Traditional feast of Corpus Christi*
8am (TLM) — for the restoration of
all things in Christ

* Votive Mass of Corpus Christi
12:15pm — Barbara O'Hanlon RIP

Friday 31st May

The Visitation of the BVM

10am — Holy Souls

Saturday 1st June

St Justin

10am — Holy Souls

*Vigil of the transferred feast of
Corpus Christi*

6pm — Joan Elliott 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

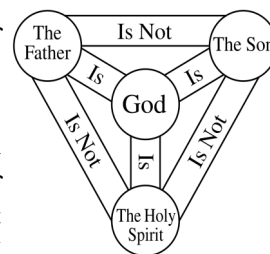
TLM Masses: 2nd Sunday of the month at
8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 9th June.)

THE MOST HOLY & UNDIVIDED TRINITY

Today is Trinity Sunday. The feast dates back at least to the time of St Thomas à Becket (1118-1170), although even before then many places observed the feast in some form or another. Every Sunday, whilst being a mini-Easter Sunday, was always considered to be a quasi feast of the Most Holy Trinity. Indeed, until the liturgical changes in 1969, the Preface of the Trinity was said at every green Sunday Mass.

The Trinity itself both is and is not difficult to understand. Certainly, no one can fathom the depths of the Mystery of the Trinity. On the other hand, we can fairly easily grasp—at one level or another—the idea that there is only one God but that there are three Persons in the Godhead, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These three Persons are not merely facets of the one God. Nor are they expressions of different functions of God. Rather, the three Persons are truly distinct Persons within the one Godhead.

This is the foundational and single most important dogma of Christianity!



CORPUS CHRISTI

Traditional feast of Corpus Christi — Thursday, 30th May
8am (TLM) & 12:15pm weekday Mass as usual

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Transferred feast of Corpus Christi

SUNDAY, 2ND JUNE

Mass: 9:30am & 11am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

from the end of
the 11am Mass until 3pm

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION & BENEDICTION

3pm — 3:45pm

Bring petals to strew before Our Blessed Lord!



Recent Collections—for which, many thanks and God bless you.

February: Standing orders: £1,351; Dona: £1,543:03; green envelopes: £846:70; collection plate: £1,959:10. Total: £5,699:83.

March: Standing orders: £1,364; Dona: £3,380:55; green envelopes: £609; collection plate: £3,237:39. Total: £8,590:94.

April: Standing orders: £1,660; Dona: £3,201:25; green envelopes: £881; collection plate: £2,679:73. Total: £8,421:98.

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

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A parish on-line calendar may be found at: stpncrascchurch.org.uk/calendar/

Sunday sermons are available on the homepage of the parish website.

Lists of suggested Catholic reading are available on the homepage of the parish website.

The Pancratius The June edition of our monthly newsletter for younger readers is out now.

Bd Carlo Acutis Group Thursday, 6th June at 7pm (14-17 year olds).

First Friday Confessions Friday, 7th June 6pm–7pm.

First Communion Mass: 9:30am on Sunday, 9th June. The 11am Mass will begin at 11:30am today.

Catholic Mothers' Group Monday, 10th June at 11am.

Book Club Monday, 10th June at 7pm: *St Mark's Gospel: A Commentary for Believers* by Thomas Crean OP.

Blessing of St Anthony's Bread following the 12:15pm Mass on the feast of St Anthony of Padua, Thursday 13th June.

Thursday Lunch 13th June at 1pm.

Catholic Young Adults Friday, 14th June at 7pm (18-35 year olds).

Parish Magazine Deadline Sunday, 16th June. Articles to: matilda79r@gmail.com

Fr Joseph will be away from the afternoon of Sunday 16th June until midday on Saturday, 22nd June.

Annual Missionary Appeal the weekend of 22nd/23rd June at all Masses.

Readings at Mass We currently use the Jerusalem Bible for the readings at Mass. However, the bishops of all English speaking countries have decreed that, from the start of Advent 2024, we shall use the English Standard Version—Catholic Edition (ESV-CE) instead. The Catholic Truth Society (CTS) is now publishing both Sunday and Weekday Missals so that you can buy your own copies and follow the Mass. If you would like to buy a new Sunday Missal, please go to:

ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal/

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

Of your charity Please pray for the souls of those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Laszlo Heyges, Patsy Thompson, Norah Felton, Rowland Hanlon, Stanley Smith, Nell Gibson, Peter Klipalo, Rev Stasz Mieczysław, Dorothy Green, Belinda Pearson, Anthony Kelly, Mario Brocchi, Frederick Daly, Mary Sheppard, May Martin, Cyril Marsbury, Beatrice Stoppard, Leon Stapel, Edith Reid, Samuel Pagnillo, Myles Kelly, Kenneth Pickering, William Kavanagh, Sarah Ling, Hannah Godbold, Thomas Vineyard, Francis Manning, Carmela Stavolo, John Scott, and Stanislaw Lodzinski. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes:

We continue our look at the Sacrament of Confirmation.

THE SACRAMENTS PT 17 CONFIRMATION – A PERSONAL PENTECOST

‘When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven, like the rush of a mighty wind’ (Acts 2:1-2). After the birth of Our Lord, His death, and His resurrection, the coming of the Holy Spirit on that day of Pentecost was the most important thing to happen in the history of the Church. On that day, the Holy Spirit was poured down upon Our Lord’s disciples and the re-creation of the world, in the order of grace, was begun. There are several layers of meaning in the feast of Pentecost, and each of them applies to us as we, in turn, receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

First, the Jewish feast of Pentecost, or *Shavuot*, the Feast of Weeks, was a harvest festival celebrated seven weeks and one day after the First Sabbath of the Feast of Unleavened Bread (Deut 16:9; Lev 23:16). Just as the Church began her great work of gathering in the harvest of souls on that day (Mt 9:37-38), so we, too, as followers of Christ must begin our participation in this great work from the date of our Confirmation onwards.

It took the People of Israel around forty days after crossing the Red Sea to arrive at Mount Sinai, and Moses was on the mountain for around ten more days before bringing the Law of God, the Ten Commandments, down to the people (Ex 19:1). Therefore, Pentecost was also the day that the Jewish people celebrated the handing down of the Law from God to Moses on the mountain, fifty days after the first *Pesach* or Passover. For Christ’s disciples, our own personal Pentecost is the day when we are given the spiritual capacity to take truly to heart Our Lord’s new commandment to love one another as He has loved us (Jn 13:34-35).

At Pentecost, the Apostles heard a great wind as the Holy Spirit descended upon them, and the work of God’s re-creation – the sanctifying work of the Church – was begun, exactly as the Psalm says: ‘When thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth’ (Ps 104[103]:30). At our Confirmation we receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and have breathed into our souls the breath of God Himself, being sanctified – that is, made holy and more like to Christ – just as Adam had God’s breath breathed into him in the Garden of Eden (Gen 2:7).

Just as the Law was given to Moses amidst a blaze of fire (Ex 19:18), so the Apostles received the Holy Spirit in the form of tongues of fire (Acts 2:3). The symbolism is important because at our Confirmation we are charged, as the Apostles were at Pentecost, with the evangelizing work of spreading the Word of God. Hence tongues of fire.

Finally, and most importantly, the first Pentecost was the birth of the Church, after which the world, far from ever being ordinary anymore, was never to be the same again. So it is for us after we have received this Sacrament.

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