

# 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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September is dedicated to  
Our Lady of Sorrows

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

- \* *Dom. XVI post Pentecosten*  
8am (TLM) — Sebastian Abbott
- \* *23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year*  
09:30 — Pro Populo  
11:00 — Anjala Jacob's int. 1/3

### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September

*Feria*  
10am — Chinagorom Theresa 3/3

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

*St Nicolas of Tolentino*  
8am (TLM) — Patrick Willis

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September

*Feria*  
6pm — Private int.

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*  
12:15pm — Stephen Patten

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

*St John Chrysostom*  
10am — Guild of St Pancras

### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
10am — Anjala Jacob's int. 2/3  
*Vigil of 24<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:** 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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 8am. (Next 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Mass: 13<sup>th</sup> October.)

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

**Parish Magazine Deadline** for submitting copy: Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> September. News and views, essays and articles, poems and jokes, memories and travelogues: all welcome. matilda79r@gmail.com

TODAY — SUNDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

## THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY

LED BY BISHOP PETER COLLINS

The annual pilgrim walk organized by the Guild of Our Lady of Grace of Ipswich will start at **3pm**. Using the route planned by Cardinal Wolsey, we will start at St Peter's on the Quay at 3pm (IP4 1BF), walk to Lady Lane (the site of the mediæval shrine), and on to the shrine in St-Mary-at-the-Elms church (IP1 1EY).

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



#### THIS WEEK

**The Book Club** will meet on Monday at 7pm in the parish hall to discuss *A Comedian's Prayer Book* by Frank Skinner.

**Our monthly Thursday lunches** will resume after the 12:15pm Mass and rosary. Please join us for chance to sit and relax, and chat with friends. Lunch is free, but donations are invited, please, for our standing charity, Mary's Meals.

**Our weekly Friday coffee mornings**, straight after the 10am Mass and rosary, resume after a summer break. All welcome for a coffee and a chat.

**Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on Saturday.** There will be devotions in honour, and veneration, of our relic of the True Cross after the 10am Mass.

#### A MATTER OF OBLIGATION

The question arose recently, should we feel *obliged* to go to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days? or is it just a matter of *choosing* to go?

*Piety* (or godliness or holiness) is one of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit (Is 11:2) by which a person is moved to delight in God and the things of God. This, alone, might move someone to want to go to Mass.

*Justice* is the virtue (one of the four cardinal virtues) by which we give to others what is their due. *Religion* is a subset of justice: it is the virtue by which we give to God what we owe to God.

All creatures are duty-bound to give God homage and adoration. Sensate, insensate, and inanimate creatures do this by being and doing what they were created to be and do. Rational creatures (angels and humans) do this through acts of the will. Having been created by God, we are obliged to observe the Commandments He has given us simply because He is the Creator. The third Commandment, 'Keep holy the sabbath day,' is only fulfilled, the Catholic Church teaches, by going to Mass and abstaining from servile labour under pain of sin. So, yes, we are obliged to go to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

By the grace of God, perhaps we can also delight in doing our duty, as the saints did, at the same time as fulfilling our obligations.



No cash for the collection? Use our QR code.

Please consider making a **STANDING ORDER** instead of a weekly cash contribution to the parish. Barclays Bank account name and no. St Pancras Catholic Church 00775843. Sort code: 20-44-51  
Our parish is part of the East Anglia Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust: registered charity no. 278742

**Second Collection** next weekend at all Masses for the Home Missions.

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**REGULAR PARISH EVENTS & GROUPS**

**Bd Carlo Acutis Group** (14-17 year olds) will next meet on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7pm.

**Catholic Mothers' Group** will next meet on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October at 11am.

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**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**New Lectionary Second Collection** at all Masses, 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> September to raise funds for the new lectionary which will be used at all Masses from the beginning of Advent (see below).

**Parish Quiz Night** Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm.

**Feast of All Saints** Holy Day of Obligation, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

**Commemoration of the Holy Souls** Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

**Feast of Christ the King** Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all afternoon and concluding with Benediction at 5pm.

**St Catherine's Fayre** Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> / Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> November. A 'make-and-sell' market. If you produce something professionally or as a hobby (craft items, rosaries, models, furniture, almost anything!) then come along, rent a stall in the parish hall, sell your goods, and make a profit for yourself whilst raising funds for the parish. More details to follow.

**First Sunday of Advent** Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December.

**Carols by Candlelight** Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 4pm.

**Tavern Evening** Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 7pm.

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**Readings at Mass** The bishops of England & Wales have decreed that, from the start of Advent 2024, we shall use the English Standard Version—Catholic Edition (ESV-CE) instead. If you would like to buy a new Sunday Missal containing the new translations of the readings, go to: [ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal/](https://ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal/)

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**Sick List** Prayers are asked for Jim Convey, Larry Crowley, Paul Cummings, Alan Cutbush, Ciro Delabell, Evelyn Flach, Halina Gajewska, Sheila Garrard, Linda Mitchell, Rosemary Pease, Brian Price, Judith Rogers, Leighton Scott, and Bernie Wood.

**Of your charity** Please pray for the souls of all who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Julia Quantrill, Iris Sharpe, John Hynes, Gintautas Rimkus, Dennis Stocker, Mario Sansiuiero, Rev Canon William Burrows, Merle Brooks, John Gaughan, Ronald Byrne, Helen McCall, Tommy Reid, Timothy Gilbert, Andrew Gilbert, Joseph Barbrook, Sabina Wright, Anthony Blackett, Grezegory Gada, Bernard Driscoll, Oronato Bevilacqua, Margaret Prodger, Thomas Golding, Robert Simpson, Florence Brown, Thomas McGovern, James Pettigrew, Maria Merico, and Florence Evans. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**A Message from our Bishop, Peter Collins,  
for Education Sunday.**

On this Education Sunday we give thanks to almighty God for the work undertaken by all our Catholic Schools, Colleges and Universities across England and Wales. Our Catholic educational institutions are essential instruments in the mission of the Church and we can be proud of their achievements. I call on the diocesan family to pray for all who contribute to the great enterprise of Catholic education. We can rejoice that our children and young people are guided and supported by a great cohort of dedicated governors, leaders and staff.

Bishop Marcus Stock, who heads the Episcopal Conference Department for Catholic Education and Formation, writes: Christ is the foundation of the whole educational enterprise in a Catholic school. As "the way, the truth, and the life" Christ is both the object and subject of Catholic education. A Catholic educational institution seeks to root the gospel of Christ in the minds of students, providing a holistic formation that promotes human flourishing, inspiring a lifelong love of learning and fostering the virtues that will assist all people to discover in themselves and in others the truth, goodness and beauty of God.

The Diocese of East Anglia is blessed with a flourishing network of Catholic schools. Our schools are popular and highly regarded. I am happy to report that over the past year three more of our schools have joined, or are in the process of joining, one or other of our Catholic Multi-Academy Trusts (MAT) – the St. John the Baptist MAT or Our Lady of Walsingham MAT. The objective of the Diocese is that all our Catholic schools will join the MAT system by September 2025.

I wish to offer particular thanks to the volunteers who support the governance of our schools and trusts. There are over 200 volunteer foundation governors and foundation directors serving the needs of the Diocese. With great generosity and professional commitment, these governors and directors offer their time and expertise to ensure that our schools provide the best possible Catholic environment for teaching and learning.

On this Day of Prayer for Catholic Education I invite you to consider whether you might contribute to the work of governance. Our schools and trusts cannot function without the voluntary service provided by foundation governors and foundation directors. Could you provide the support, challenge and oversight that is needed? I ask you to consider stepping forward to assist in the mission of Catholic education. You can contact the Diocesan Schools' Service directly to seek information and to discuss possibilities.

As the new academic year commences, I urge you to join me in praying earnestly for all our school communities.

Yours in Christ,

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The Right Reverend Peter G. Collins  
Bishop of East Anglia