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 C Weekdays: Yr 1

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday 24th August 2025

21st Sunday of the Year 09:30 — June Ogundiran RIP 11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 25th August

St Louis

10am — Private int.

Tuesday 26th August

Feria

8am (TLM) — Eduardo & Isabel Nogueira's int.

Wednesday 27th August

St Monica

6pm — Una McWeeny RIP

Thursday 28th August

St Augustine

12:15pm — Holy Souls

Friday 29th August

The Beheading of St John the Baptist 10am — Holy Souls

Saturday 30th August

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, & Margaret Ward 10am — The Patten family

Vigil of 22nd Sunday of the Year 6pm — Pat Cronin RIP

Sunday 31st August 22nd Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Foundation Masses:

ad cautelam

11:00 — Pro Populo

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — **Sat**: 30 minutes before each Mass

& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm 1st Friday: 6pm — 7pm

ADORATION: Suspended during August **ROSARY:** Mon — Fri: after Mass DEVOTIONS TO O.L. OF IPSWICH & S. PANCRAS: Suspended during August.

TLM Masses: 2nd Sunday of the month at 8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 13th Sept.)

HOLY YEAR 2025

SPES NON CONFUNDIT

'And hope confounds not, because the charity of God is poured forth in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given to us.' (Rom 5:5)

Christ Crucified Radiates Hope to a Fallen World The Crucifixion by Tintoretto (1565)



FEAST OF SS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE, & MARGARET WARD

Saturday, 30th August

These three saints were all martyred because they protected Catholic priests from the Elizabethan authorities, who were seeking out all Catholic priests for execution. During this dark time in history, it was illegal for priests to be in the country, as it was illegal for Catholics to receive the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.

St. Margaret Clitherow, a convert, was arrested for giving shelter to a priest. She was condemned to the horrifying death of being slowly crushed to death, being made to lay upon a sharp stone with a door placed upon her while nearly eight hundred pounds of stone were gradually added on top of the door. This took place on Good Friday in 1586. She died with the name of Jesus upon her lips.



St. Anne Line was also a convert, was arrested for assisting a priest in escaping arrest. When she was brought to court, she fully admitted what she had done, and told the judge that her only regret was that she had not helped more priests. St. Anne Line was hanged in London on 27 February 1601.

St. Margaret Ward helped a priest escape from the prison where he was being held by smuggling him a length of rope with which he could lower himself over the prison wall. For this, she was eventually bound by chains, hung up by her hands, and was brutally scourged, as the authorities demanded to know where the priest had gone. She steadfastly refused, and was hanged publicly in London on August 30, 1588.

DURING AUGUST During August all parish groups will take a break along with our Saturday morning devotions and Saturday afternoon Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (although there will still be Confessions from 5pm to 5:45pm on Saturday afternoons).



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: parisn is pair of the ___ registered charity no. 278742.

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Suggestion for Spiritual Reading

Saint Margaret Clitherow by Katherine Longley

From the Saints

'The Church is that one wherein the true word of God is preached, which Christ left to His Apostles, which the same Church hath always observed, the doctors preached, and Martyrs and confessors witnessed. This is the Church I believe to be true.'

St. Margaret Clitherow

Top tips for making an ordinary home into a Catholic home!

Mark the feast days of the Martyrs by praying the Apostles' Creed as an Act of Faith in God and His Church.

Please can you offer some time on a regular basis to your parish?

Thank you if you have already offered your services.

Even so, we still need more offers of help, please, for brass cleaning, church cleaning, counting the collection, singing in our choir at 11am Masses, washing & ironing our small altar linens, selling objects of devotion from our repository, serving tea & coffee after Sunday Masses, cleaning our parish hall, helping in the sacristy. Please speak to Fr Joseph if you can help. Thank you.

MARCH FOR LIFE Saturday 6th September: marchforlife.co.uk/2025-event-page/

BOOK CLUB Monday, 8th September at 7pm: *The Templars and the Shroud of Christ* by Barbara Frale.

RETROUVAILLE helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 17th—19th October. Please visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk for more details or call 0788 7296983

Sick List Prayers are asked for Peter Arms, Jim Convey, Sue Coppens-Browne, Larry Crowley, Alan Cutbush, Ciro Dellabella, Evelyn Flach, Halina Gajewska, Linda Mitchell, Stephen Patten, Rosemary Pease, Brian Price, Judith Rogers, and Leighton Scott.

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Muriel Stoneman, Carolyne Gammage, Eileen Fox, Frederick Chase, Alice Norfolk, Robert Snell, Dorothy Bottom, Monica Bright, Jonathan Shaw, Richard Twomey, 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, and Daniel Baxter. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: We conclude our series with a few words from Pope John XXIII's Apostolic Letter, *Inde a Primis*, on Devotion to the Precious Blood.

The Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ pt VII

Such surpassing love suggests, nay demands, [writes Pope John XXIII] that everyone reborn in the torrents of that Blood adore it with grateful love. The Blood of the new and eternal covenant especially deserves this worship of latria when it is elevated during the sacrifice of the Mass. But such worship achieves its normal fulfilment in sacramental communion with the same Blood, indissolubly united with Christ's eucharistic Body.

In intimate association with the celebrant the faithful can then truly make his sentiments at communion their own: "I will take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord... The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul for everlasting life. Amen." Thus as often as they come worthily to this holy table they will receive more abundant fruits of the redemption and resurrection and eternal life won for all men by the Blood Christ shed "through the Holy Spirit." Nourished by his Body and Blood, sharing the divine strength that has sustained count less martyrs, they will stand up to the slings and arrows of each day's fortunes — even if need be to martyrdom itself for the sake of Christian virtue and the kingdom of God. Theirs will be the experience of that burning love which made St. John Chrysostom cry out: Let us, then, come back from that table like lions breathing out fire, thus becoming terrifying to the Devil, and remaining mindful of our Head and of the love he has shown for us... This Blood, when worthily received, drives away demons and puts them at a distance from us, and even summons to us angels and the Lord of angels... This Blood, poured out in abundance, has washed the whole world clean... This is the price of the world; by it Christ purchased the Church... This thought will check in us unruly passions. How long, in truth, shall we be attached to present things? How long shall we remain asleep? How long shall we not take thought for our own salvation?

Let us remember what privileges God has bestowed on us, let us give thanks, let us glorify him, not only by faith, but also by our very works. If only Christians would reflect more frequently on the fatherly warning of the first pope: "Look anxiously, then, to the ordering of your lives while your stay on earth lasts. You know well enough that your ransom was not paid in earthly currency, silver or gold; it was paid in the precious blood of Christ; no lamb was ever so pure, so spotless a victim." If only they would lend a more eager ear to the apostle of the Gentiles: "A great price was paid to ransom you; glorify God by making your bodies the shrines of his presence." Their upright lives would then be the shining example they ought to be; Christ's Church would far more effectively fulfil its mission to men. God wants all men to be saved, for he has willed that they should all be ransomed by the Blood of his only-begotten Son; he calls them all to be members of the one Mystical Body whose head is Christ.

If only men would be more responsive to these promptings of his grace, how much the bonds of brotherly love among individuals and peoples and nations would be strengthened. Life in society would be so much more peaceable, so much worthier of God and the human nature created in his image and likeness.

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