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 B Weekdays: Yr 1

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 31st October 2021

Feast of Christ the King 8am (EF) — Maria Stallwood's int. Feast of All Saints 09:30 — Pro populo 11:00 — Julia McIntee RIP

Monday 1st November

Feast of All Saints 8am (EF) — Pro populo Feria 10am — Holy Souls

Tuesday 2nd November

Commemoration of the Holy Souls 8am (EF) — Private int. 10am — Holy Souls followed by the rosary 6pm (sung) — The Holy Father's int.

Wednesday 3rd November

6pm — Mgr Joseph McShee RIP

Thursday 4th November

S. Charles Borromeo 12:15pm — Deceased members of the Ipswich Circle of the **Catenian Association**

Friday 5th November

Feria 10am — November Dead List requiem

Saturday 6th November Our Lady on Saturday 10am — for the election of a bishop *Vigil of the 32nd Sunday of the Year* 6pm — Holy Souls

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Fri: 20 minutes before each Mass Sat: 9:30 — 10:00 & 5pm — 5:45pm ADORATION: Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm **ROSARY:** Mon — Fri: after Mass DEVOTIONS TO O.L. OF IPSWICH & **S. PANCRAS:** Sat after 10am Mass **EF Masses**: 2nd Sunday of the month at 8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 14th Nov.)



The Feast of ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER

- 8am (EF) Mass for the traditional feast of Christ the King
- Sat. 6pm and Sun. 9:30 & 11am Masses for the feast of All Saints (transferred from 1st November)

Monday 1st November

- 8am (EF) Mass for the traditional feast of All Saints
- 10am Mass feria

THIS WEEK

Sunday 31st October devotions & Benediction at 4:30pm

Wednesday 3rd 'In the Cool of the Day' talks resume at 7pm

Thursday 4th

- No Mother & Toddler group todayIpswich Circle of the Catenians meeting 11am — 12:15 in the parish hall

Friday 5th

- 10:45am: Over 60s coffee morning
- 5pm: Confirmation class

Saturday 6th 4pm: 1st Communion class

HOLY SOULS REQUIEM MASSES

Tuesday 2nd November 8am (EF), 10am, 6pm (sung)

SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

11am — for the War Dead ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AT 11 O'CLOCK The 11am Mass will end later than usual (Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9:30am: 33rd Sunday of the Year)

2:30pm — Blessing of Graves: starting at the Lawn Cemetery

Tuesday 16th November

12 noon — Deanery requiem Mass 8am (EF) Mass as usual

Wednesday 17th November

6pm for those who died from Covid-19 & those who died without the Sacraments due to the restrictions

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.



NEXT WEEK

Wednesday 10th at 7pm: 'In the Cool of the Day' adult catechetical talks continue. All welcome even if you haven't been to any of them yet.

Friday 12th

- 10:45am: Over 60s coffee morning
- 1pm: requiem Mass—John Ross RIP
- 5pm: Confirmation class

Saturday 13th 4pm: First Communion class

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NOVEMBER DEAD LIST ENVELOPES

Place the names of all those who have died, and for whom you wish to pray, inside one of the November Dead List envelopes, along with your offering, and hand it to Fr Joseph. A requiem Mass will be said at least once each week during November for those included in this list, and Holy Souls Masses will continue to be offered throughout the year.



Libera me, Domine, de morte æterna, 'Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death'

Over 60s Coffee Mornings

Starting this week, 5th November, Fridays following the 10am Mass and rosary, a new parish social group. Come and meet old friends and make new ones.

SUNDAY OBLIGATION

The Bishops of England & Wales will meet during November to assess whether we are now in a position across the country for all who desire it, to return safely to Mass. If the Bishops' conclusion is that we are, then, in effect, Catholics will be expected once more to fulfil their obligation by attending Mass each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, probably from the start of Advent. However, please watch this space.

Advent Day of Recollection

Saturday, 27th November, starting with the 10am Mass and ending with Benediction at 3pm. Meditations on the theme of St Joseph to close the Year of St Joseph. All welcome. Bring your own lunch.

Candlelit Carol Service on Sunday, 19th December.

Train as a Relationship Counsellor with Marriage Care. Go to www.marriagecare.org.uk/crc

Sick List Prayers are asked for, Lee Porter, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, Mary Driscoll, Leighton Scott, Helen Hardman, and Ellen Ebelewicz.

Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the souls of John Ross, Lawrence Chitty, Derek Wilson, and Julia McIntee, all of whom have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Teresa Martyn, David O'Neill, Margaret Abernethy, Antonino Catalanotlo, Rosina Pelligrini, Leslie Grueber, Helen Wilson, Mgr Joseph McShee, Vincent Cunane, Jim Maile, Consuelo Stocks, Irene Biela, Maggie Schofield, Lilian Bowles, Kathleen Connolly, Joyce Fahey, Isabel Manthorpe, Mary Gallaway, Catherine King, Rowland Hanthorpe, Martin Mongan, Elsa Ward, and Bridget Wood. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XX Once he has offered the Bread and the Wine, the priest washes his hands (or, more correctly, the fingers and thumbs that will touch the Sacred Host later in the Mass) as part of his preparation for the most holy actions that will follow. Ceremonial washing has long been a part of Catholic ritual, ensuring that nothing unclean touches the Sacred Species. The priest has ceremonially cleansed his hands before putting on his vestments; he has prayed that his lips and heart may be cleansed before he reads the Gospel; now he cleanses his hands again, purifying himself more and more as he advances through the Mass towards the most holy part of the liturgy, the Consecration. Traditionally, the priest would say the second half of Ps 25, praying, 'I will wash my hands among the innocent.' Nothing impure may come near the altar of sacrifice, and the priest must approach the Sacrifice with the utmost devotion and purity of heart, turning to Almighty God and uniting himself in prayer with the whole company of the saints and angels in heaven who have been wholly purified.

Ps 25 also includes the line, 'I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.' As he prepares to offer up the most holy Sacrifice, the priest turns his attention towards the beauty and the sacred nature of the place where he stands, the sanctuary of God's Temple, the altar of sacrifice. Perhaps these words should be written above the sanctuary in every Catholic church!

Following the private prayers of the priest at the Offertory and the Lavabo (the washing of hands), he turns to the people and says, 'Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.' The people respond, saying, 'May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of His name, for our good, and the good of all His holy Church.' These two prayers accomplish two things. First, they draw God's people—for whom the sacrifice is being offered—into the sacrificial action of the Mass: they are no mere onlookers. All the baptised are 'a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people' (1 Peter 2:9). Yet these two prayers also serve to reveal the nature of the priesthood, and the very real distinction between the priesthood of those who have received the Sacrament of Holy Orders (that is, priests) and the priesthood of all believers.

Those who have been ordained have been consecrated according to the Order of Melchizedek who, as 'priest of the most high God who created heaven and earth,' offered a sacrifice of bread and wine (Gen 14:18-20). Christ's mediation between humanity and the Creator is the fulfilment of Melchizedek's priesthood, and it is precisely this priesthood—the sacramental priesthood of Christ—that a Catholic priest is ordained into, enabling him to offer exactly the same Sacrifice as Christ offered on Calvary but in sacramental form. (It is well worth reading the Letter to the Hebrews ch.7).

Meanwhile, all who have been baptised participate in Christ's priesthood to the extent that they may offer a sacrifice of prayer, praise, and thanksgiving, which is obviously intimately related to, but wholly distinct from, the sacramental Sacrifice offered by a priest. In a post-apocalyptic dystopian world, were there to be no more priests, then there could be no more Mass. The laity gathering together, no matter how many of them, still would not participate in Christ's priesthood to the extent of being able to offer the sacramental Sacrifice. What is required to 'make' a priest, is the laying on of hands (Acts 6:6) by a bishop who, in turn, passes on what he himself has already received.

Hence the priest says, 'Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours...' He draws the distinction between the two sacrifices that are being offered, the sacramental sacrifice and the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and hence the people respond, 'May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands...'