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 2

May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 8th May 2022 Dom. III post Pascha 8am (TLM) — for priestly vocations 4th Sunday of Easter 09:30 — Maria, Kathleen, & Lionel Clutterham RIP

11:00 — Pro Populo

3pm — May Devotions & Procession

Monday 9th May

Easter feria

10am — Kenneth Welch RIP

Tuesday 10th May

S. Antoninus 8am (TLM) — Holy Souls (E)

Wednesday 11th May

Easter feria 6pm — Ellen Ebelewicz RIP

Thursday 12th May

S. Pancras: Patronal Feast 8am (TLM) — for the Domus of the parish

12:15pm — Bernie Wood 6pm (sung) — Pro Populo

Friday 13th May Our Lady of Fatima 10am — Holy Souls (E)

Saturday 14th May

S. Matthias 10am — Holy Souls (E) Vigil of 5th Sunday of Easter 6pm — Pro Populo

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Fri: 20 minutes before each Mass Sat: 9:30 — 10:00 & 5pm — 5:45pm

ADORATION: Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm Mon — Fri: after Mass Rosary: 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: 12th Jun)

This Afternoon

MAY DEVOTIONS & PROCESSION

3pm

with refreshments afterwards

'Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest' ____

Thursday 12th May

PATRONAL FEAST OF S. PANCRAS, **MARTYR**



Masses at: 8am (TLM) & 12:15pm

SOLEMN MASS AT 6PM

CELEBRANT & PREACHER:

FR DOMINIC JACOB

of the Oxford Oratory

followed by a bring-and-share supper

Confessions before 8am & 12:15 Masses (not before the 6pm Mass)

Rosary after 12:15 Mass.

CONFIRMATION MASS Monday, 16th May at 6pm

Bishop Alan will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation on a handful of our parishioners.

Please come and pray for them and for our parish, meet the Bishop, and join us for a bring-and-share supper afterwards





Second Collection today for the diocesan priests' training fund.

Green Envelopes The new boxes of green offertory envelopes are now available at the back of church.

Easter House Blessings Traditionally, Catholic homes have been blessed during Eastertide with the newly blessed Easter Holy Water. If you would like your home blessed please e-mail Fr Joseph.

The Latest Edition of the diocesan newspaper is available at the back of church.

New Choir Members We are urgently in need of new voices for our 11am Sunday Mass choir, especially—but not only—male voices (tenors and bases). Enthusiasm is a must! Whatever your level of proficiency, *please* come to rehearsals for a month and see how you get on. Contact Fr Joseph. Thank you.



PARISH DATES

St Pancras Corpus Christi procession Sunday 19th June at 3pm St Pancras First Communion Mass Sunday 26th June at 9:30am

DIOCESAN EVENTS

See the diocesan website for details: rcdea.org.uk

Ignite Catholic Youth Festival 30th May — 1st May 2022. A weekend for those in Yr 8+

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Tuesday 31st May.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 19th — 26th August. **Diocesan Summer Camp** for 8-14 year olds. 26th –29th August.

The Relics of S. Bernadette of Lourdes will visit our Cathedral 13th—15th October and OLEM in Cambridge 15th—16th October 2022.

Sick List

Prayers are asked for Rosemary Pease, Jim Convey, Simon Marriage, Mary Driscoll, Leighton Scott, and Bernie Wood.

Of your charity

Please pray for all who have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Edward Hawkins, Wolodymyr Dziubanowskyj, Ian Hacon, Percy Wilson, Michael Hanrahan, Lilla Neill, Margaret Fennessy, Stepan Pzypchan, John King, Elizabeth Dillon, Graham Rodwell, Larry Kilbane, Cecile Kett, Rose Jacyna, Margaret Doherty, Marie Bondarenko, Joseph Carr, Maureen Bavester, Maureen Davies, William Hawkes, Douglas Squirrell, Mary Clark, Kate Roche, Elsie Banham, Pamela Crawford, Margaret Evans, Ron Keavey, Gladys Hrycyk, and Sara Jordan. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: The Mass-Pt XXXV The next prayer in the Roman Canon is the 'Supplices te rogamus' —

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, + may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Having offered the gifts to our heavenly Father, we now ask that He commands His Angel to take them to His altar in heaven, and present them before the face of His majesty. But which Angel is to take these gifts to heaven? The word 'angel' means 'messenger.' Not all spirits in heaven are messengers. For example, we do not usually think of the cherubim and the seraphim as carrying messages for God. On the other hand, you don't have to be a pure spirit to be one of God's messengers.

Our Lord is the One who bridges the gap between God and Man that opened up when Man first sinned, as St Paul says: 'For there is one God, and one mediator of God and men, the man Christ Jesus' (1 Tim 2:5). It is the role of Our Lord—as the Incarnate Son of God—to come down to earth, to redeem us by suffering and dying for us on the Cross, and to take up our fallen humanity, purified by His Blood, and offer it to the Father. He can do this because He is God and Man. No mere angel can offer up the atoning sacrifice on behalf of the human race. No! It is Christ Himself who offers up that sacrifice, lifts it up, and takes it to the altar of God in heaven. In other words, in this prayer (the 'Supplices te rogamus') the word 'Angel' refers to Our Lord Himself.

Having offered Himself to the Father, and with His self-offering, our offerings also, He now pleads with the Father with 'prayers and supplications' (Heb 5:7) to have mercy on the people for whom He has died, and who now consume His Body and Blood in Holy Communion, so that we might be 'filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.'

The Canon continues:

Remember also, Lord, your servants N. and N., who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Every Mass is offered for the living and the dead. Before the words of consecration, the words of the Canon prayed for the Lord's 'servants, and all gathered here... and all who are dear to them.' Now, our thoughts are turned to those who have died. It is part of Divine Revelation that there exists a state called Purgatory whereby those souls who have not been perfected in this life will undergo the final stages of the perfecting process. We all have to accept the punishment due to our sins. If we can accept life's trials and tribulations as penances, and offer those penances to God to make up for our sins—or, rather, unite those sufferings to the sufferings of Christ on the Cross—then those trials and tribulations can take the place of punishments due to us for our sins.

In other words, if we have suffered in life more than we have sinned, then we will go straight to heaven when we die. If, on the other hand, we have sinned more than we have suffered during life, then we will have to complete the suffering process in Purgatory. But this only works if we offer our sufferings to God as penances, as gifts offered to God in lieu of the punishment due to us. Every Mass, like the Sacrifice offered on Calvary, is offered up to assist those who are still undergoing punishment and cleansing in Purgatory.