

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 4th September 2022

23rd Sunday of the Year
09:30 — Pro Populo
11:00 — Fred Wills int.

Monday 5th September

Feria
10am — John Southworth RIP

Tuesday 6th September

Requiem
8am (TLM) — Pierantonio Sobrino RIP

Wednesday 7th September

Feria
6pm — Maria Buan RIP

Thursday 8th September

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12:15pm — Larry Crowley

Friday 9th September

Feria
10am — Winifrede Hunter RIP (F)

Saturday 10th September

Our Lady on Saturday
10am — Margaret Bradley RIP (F)
Vigil of the 24th Sunday of the Year
6pm — Pro Populo

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Sat: 30 minutes before each Mass
& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm
1st Friday: 7pm — 8pm

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: 11th Sept.)

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

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FEAST OF THE WEEK THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Even if you do not normally come to a week-day Mass, come to Mass on Thursday to celebrate

Our Lady's birthday!

What better birthday present could you give her than to show your love for her and her Son by coming to Mass!

Thursday, 8th September at 12:15pm
Followed by the rosary.



*The Nativity of the BVM (detail)
by Guido Reni, 1611*



Well done and a big thank you to everyone who helped to set up, cook, and clear away the parish BBQ last weekend, and an especial thank-you to Brigitte and Bill (and Edward & Rachel) for being such generous hosts on such an enjoyable occasion.

Thank you!

ROAD CLOSURES

Next Sunday: 11th September
Several roads around St Pancras will be closed for a Run-for-All event.
Access & parking may not be possible before 10:30am.

Go to runforall.com for details

BOOK CLUB

Monday 12th September — 7pm

At the first gathering of our parish Book Club we will discuss **REVELATIONS OF DIVINE LOVE** by Mother Julian of Norwich. There is still time to get hold of a copy and to read it before then.

Fr Joseph will say a few words at the start, but then the floor will be open for everyone to contribute to the discussion, so come along with points of view and with questions.

WEDNESDAY EVENING TALKS

Beginning 21st September — 7pm

A series of talks and discussions on **ST MATTHEW'S GOSPEL**, unpacking some of the multi-layered riches of the Catholic Faith hidden in the first of the four Gospels. Read at least the first chapter beforehand!

Bring a Bible (it doesn't matter which: Douai-Rheims, RSV, Jerusalem, etc), and a notepad and pencil if you wish to take notes, and join in the discussion.

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

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FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

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Home Missions

The weekend of 17th/18th September
cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday/

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Lepra Appeal

The weekend of 24th/25th September
lepra.org.uk

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CAFOD

The weekend of 8th/9th October
cafod.org.uk

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Mission (APF)

The weekend of 22nd/23rd October
missio.org.uk

Thursday lunches will be back, once a month, beginning in October. If you are willing to help prepare one of the lunches, please sign the list at the back of the church. Thank you.

No change Thank you for making your views known about the time of the evening Mass on Wednesdays. There will be no change: the Mass will stay at 6pm.

Catechism Classes for First Holy Communion and Confirmation children will begin in October. Watch this space for more details.

For Diocesan events please see the poster in the porch.

Relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes will be visiting our Cathedral in October. Details to follow.

Did you know...? The amp, the base unit of electrical current, is named after André-Marie Ampère (1775-1836), a Catholic and one of the fathers of electromagnetism. The scholar Frédéric Ozanam, although a Catholic, was suffering great doubt. When he saw Ampère on his knees in prayer, Ozanam said, 'Professor, I see you believe in prayer.' To which the mathematician replied, 'Everyone has to pray.' Ozanam's faith was very much strengthened by this encounter and he went on, eventually, to found the Society of St Vincent de Paul, and was beatified in 1997.

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St Clare of Assisi said, 'Love God; serve God. Everything is in that.'

Sick List

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

Of your charity

Please pray for those who have died recently, as well for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Edward Dow, Rose Marlew, Gregory Cushman, Gertrude Wallace, Charles Prime, Olive Denny, James Pyer, Mary Doig, Elizabeth Smith, Beatrice Forsdyke, Stephen Miller, Ivy Williams, Maria Swann, John Barnham, Julia Quantill, Iris Sharpe, John Hynes, Gintautas Rimkus, Dennis Stocker, and Mario Sansiviero. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes:

The Catholic Church & Tradition — pt I

In the Catholic Church there are two sorts of traditions. First, tradition with a lower case 't' refers to all of the many customs and long-standing practices with which we are familiar. For example, we might say that it is the tradition to have a May procession in honour of Our Lady or a Corpus Christi procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. It is traditional for Catholics to say the rosary, or for Catholics to make the Stations of the Cross during Lent. We might even say that it is traditional for such-and-such a parish to have a pilgrimage to Walsingham on the same weekend every year. And so on.

But there is another, and much more important, sort of tradition in the Church. Tradition with a capital 'T' refers to something quite different.

The Catholic Faith is what we call a revealed religion. That is, God Himself has revealed truths—and indeed, the Truth—to the human race: truths that we could not know about unless He had revealed them, truths we could not have worked out for ourselves. There are two vehicles (or routes, or channels) through which God has made known the Truth to us: Scripture and Tradition.

By Scripture we mean the canonical books of the Bible which were all written by members of the Church (and here we include Moses and Isaiah and Jeremiah, and so forth, as members of the Church by analogy), and it was the Catholic Church who decided which writings should be included in the Bible and which should not. For example, the Gospel of St Thomas was not included. The list of books to be included in the canon of the Bible was decided upon, and fixed, by the Council of Rome in AD 382 under Pope Damasus I. This list went unchallenged until the Protestant Reformation almost 1,200 years later.

By Tradition (with a capital 'T') we mean revelations made to the Apostles by Our Lord Himself (for example orally), or under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and transmitted by the Apostles to the Church. The Catholic Church solemnly teaches that there have been no Divine revelations since the end of the Apostolic Age, that is, since the death of the last of the Twelve Apostles, and nor can there be any further Divine revelations. In part, this idea is based on the fact, as it says in the Letter to the Hebrews, that God, 'in these days has spoken to us by His Son' (Heb 1:1). Our Lord Himself, in His own person, is the definitive act of Divine revelation. There is nothing more to come; there can be nothing else that is new.

Part of our understanding of Tradition comes from St Paul when he says, 'For I have received of the Lord that which I also delivered unto you' (1 Cor 11:23). And again, 'For I delivered unto you first of all, [that] which I also received...' (1 Cor 15:3). In other words, Tradition is made up of all that is faithfully handed down by the Apostles (including St Paul) to whom Divine revelation was made in the first place.

Whilst the Church, both in the person of Christ's Vicar, the Pope, and in Ecumenical Council, can hand on an ever clearer understanding of what has been revealed, the Church Herself cannot alter what has been handed down from one generation to the next. The Church Herself cannot change the trajectory of Tradition: every recent insight into what God's revelation actually means for us must be consistent with what the Church has previously understood. There can be no contradictions, or going off at different angles, only organic developments. In this sense, developments can be seen to be like the growth of a plant: starting as a seed, which grows into a shoot, then into a full-grown plant which blooms, and which then bears fruit. Just as a seed from an apple cannot grow into a tree that bears oranges, so something divinely revealed cannot change shape, or change its nature, into something that is inconsistent with what was revealed in the first place. We might, therefore, say that Tradition (with a capital 'T') has as its motto:

Tradidi quod et accepi, that is, 'I handed on what I received.'