

# 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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April is dedicated  
to the Blessed Sacrament

## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

09:30 — Pro Populo  
11:00 — Anne Abbott's int.

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

*Easter feria*

10am — Ann Studd

## Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

*St George*

8am (TLM) — James Ball RIP

## Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April

*St Fidelis of Sigmaringen*

6pm — Holy Souls

## Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April

*St Mark*

12:15pm — for Donna

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

*Easter feria*

10am — Gregory C. Ehileme RIP

## Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April

*Our Lady on Saturday*

10am — Holy Souls

*Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Easter*

6pm — for Xanthe

### 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: 12<sup>th</sup> May)

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

## FEAST DAYS & EVENTS IN MAY

### MAY PROCESSION

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm**

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### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

Start of the Procession in the Friday Market Place at 12 noon

Mass at the Chapel of Reconciliation at 3pm

See poster in the porch for more details

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### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

Holy Day of Obligation — Masses at: 8am (TLM), 12:15pm, and 7pm.

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### PATRONAL FEAST OF ST PANCRAS

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

Bishop Peter will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 7pm Mass

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### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF IPSWICH

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Bishop Peter will bless our new statue at the 7pm Mass



**A Catholic End of Life** At a gathering of Catholic headteachers, each headteacher in turn stood up and proudly declared that his school prepared their pupils for life. When it came to his turn, a Catholic headteacher declared that at his school pupils were prepared for death. How our lives end is the single most important thing about our lives here on earth.

A good Catholic end of life (what we used to call a 'good death') involves the **Sacrament of Confession** to make sure all the sins of our life have been absolved; the **Sacrament of Extreme Unction** by which is given spiritual aid, comfort, and perfect spiritual health, preparatory for our final journey; the **Viaticum** (the name we give to Holy Communion at the end of life) which gives us food for the last journey from this life to the next; the **Apostolic Pardon** which remits all punishment for sin, enabling us to bypass Purgatory; and, after death, a **Requiem Mass**, by which the soul of the deceased is lifted up into the arms of Almighty God just as Christ lifted up a fallen human race to the Father by His sacrifice on the Cross.

The requiem Mass is increasingly being neglected these days, but it is the only means by which we may be offered to the Father and lifted up to Him after we have died, and placed into His arms. Please make sure your family understands this and makes arrangements accordingly when your turn comes.

Regina cæli, lætare, alleluia,

Quia quem meruisti portare,  
alleluia,

Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia,

Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

O Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia,

For He whom you have borne for us,  
alleluia,

Has arisen, as He said, alleluia,

Pray for us to God, alleluia.

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

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St Pancras Catholic Church is part of the East Anglia Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust: registered charity no. 278742

**Special Second Collection** today for the Diocesan Priests' Training Fund. Please give as generously as you can to make sure we have priests in the future. Donations may be Gift Aided. Thank you.

**Rosary crusade** running total **2,325**. Please join us in the last couple of weeks as we pray ardently for the conversion of souls in Ipswich and beyond, and record your rosaries on the blue slips of paper available at the back of church.

**Blessed Carlo Acutis Group** (14-17 year olds) will meet next on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7pm.

**Adult Confirmation class** Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Please note the change of day and time. This will be the last class before the ceremony on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm.

**Thursday lunches** will resume on 9<sup>th</sup> May at 1pm.

**Catholic Young Adults** (18-35 year olds) will meet next on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm.

**Catholic Mothers Group** will meet next on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at **10am**. (Please note the time, for this month only, because of the Mass at 12:15pm for the feast of St Pancras.)

**Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> May** Traditional Feast of Corpus Christi

**Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June** Feast of Corpus Christi with the Corpus Christi Procession at 3pm.

**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> June at 9:30am** First Holy Communion Mass (The 11am Mass will start at 11:30am today)

**Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June** The Book Club will meet at 7pm to discuss *St Mark's Gospel: A Commentary for Believers* by Thomas Crean OP.

**Guild of St Pancras** Watch this space for news of our brand new guild for those who volunteer their services in the parish, and aimed at the sanctification of the work they do.

**Sick List** Prayers are asked for Jim Convey, Larry Crowley, Ciro Dellabella, Mary Driscoll, Halina Gajewska, Linda Mitchell, Rosemary Pease, Brian Price, Leighton Scott, Ann Studd, and Bernie Wood.

### Of your charity

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Theresa McLoughlin, Patrick Dwyer, Eileen Ely, Frances Barnes, James Leahy, Frederick Gray, Kathleen Buckledge, David Bowers, Neville Davies, Fr Wallace Clare, Semen Boyko, Jean Sumner, Patrick Lewis, Joseph Collins, Vera O'Sullivan, Kathleen Mitchell, Teresa Donohoe, Rosina Bove, Mary Gorham, Robert Halls, Ted Brown, Palumbo Eustacchio, Danna-Marie Franks, and Adam Borowiak. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

The parish **SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE** is Mim McMahon who may be contacted by anyone of any age, at any time, with any safeguarding concerns: 01394 274395 or 07813199275 or mim@trianglemusic.info or mim.macmahon@gmail.com

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**Fr Joseph writes:** We continue our look at Baptism.

### THE SACRAMENTS PT 13 BAPTISM – CHRISM, GARMENT, AND LIGHT

The symbol of water, along with these three remaining symbols, not only summarize the richness of this wonderful Sacrament but unfold to us the whole panoply of the Christian life into which a recipient, infant or adult, is initiated. The water shows us the cleansing power of God and the newness of a life re-created in the order of grace following the Fall of the human race and our individual conversion back to our Creator. It reminds us of our need for a daily conversion to God if we are to be faithful followers of Our Lord.

The three remaining signs open up to us our participation in the holiness, and indeed the divinity, of our Saviour, as well as the purity of the life of grace and the fire both of Faith and of Christ's presence in our souls. Together, they symbolize something of vital importance of the fruits of Baptism in the life of the new Christian.

*Chrism* oil is made from olives and balsam, and therefore has a distinctive fragrance. The word comes from the Greek meaning to anoint or anointed, and has the same root, of course, as the word Christ who is the Anointed One of God, the Messiah. The oil of chrism is used to consecrate someone or something, to make him (or it) holy, designating the person or the object as being specifically set aside from ordinary use for God's purpose. It is used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders, and to consecrate churches, altars, altar stones, chalices, patens, and bells. In the Sacrament of Baptism, the recipient is anointed on the crown of the head with chrism to symbolize becoming a partaker in Christ's dignity as King and Priest ('You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light,' 1 Pet 2:9).

A *white garment* is then draped around the recipient, symbolizing innocence and purity. Having been cleansed of the stain of Adam's original sin, and of the stain of any actual, or personal, sins that someone who has reached the age of reason may have committed, the soul of the person is now pure and is restored to innocence once more. The recipient, along with the parents and godparents, receive the charge to maintain this purity, this innocence, ensuring the soul remains unstained throughout life so that it, the soul, may be presented unstained before the judgement seat of God on the last day.

A *lighted taper*, or candle, is then presented by the priest to the godparents. The light represents both the light of Faith (Mt 5:14-16) and the light of Christ Himself who is the Light of the world (Jn 1:3-9; 8:12). The recipient is charged with keeping this light of Faith burning so that the light – the living presence – of Christ may be seen by others in the life of the recipient during a lifetime filled with Christian virtue.



## ROSARY CRUSADE

### Praying the rosary to Our Lady of Ipswich for the Conversion of Souls in Ipswich and Beyond

(Please return slips to Fr Joseph or place them in the Prayer Request box in front of the Lady altar. Thank you.)

Week Beginning...

(Please enter date here)

Number of rosaries said for this intention  
this week (and your initials):