

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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November is dedicated to
the Holy Souls in Purgatory



Sunday 2nd November 2025

Transferred feast of All Saints

09:30 — Mary Smith

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 3rd November

Commemoration of

All the Faithful Departed

8am (TLM) — Private int.

12:15pm — Holy Souls

7pm (sung) — Pope's intentions

Tuesday 4th November

St Charles Borromeo

8am (TLM) — Holy Souls

Wednesday 5th November

Requiem

6pm — November Dead List

Thursday 6th November

Requiem

12:15pm — Deceased Clergy of
the Deanery

Friday 7th October

Feria

10am — Charles Cody RIP

Saturday 8th November

Our Lady on Saturday

10am — Michael Pulham RIP

*Vigil of Dedication of the Lateran
Basilica*

6pm — Souls in Purgatory 2/2

Sunday 9th November

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8am (TLM) — Holy Souls

09:30 — Pro Populo

Remembrance Sunday Requiem

11:00 — The War Dead

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — Sat: 30 minutes before each Mass

& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm

1st 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.

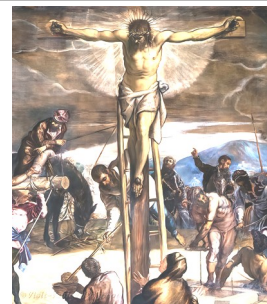
TLM Masses: 2nd Sunday of the month at
8am. (Next 2nd Sunday Mass: 9th Nov.)

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)



Today is the transferred SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

*'God speaks to us through His Saints. The Saints are those in whom God dwells in such a
special way that their entire personalities reflect Him. They live the Gospel perfectly.
Whenever we encounter one of these privileged beings, whether in the pages of a book or in
our actual surrounding world, let us pay attention to them and do our best to
imitate their virtues.'* Antonio Cardinal Bacci (1881-1971)

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls Day)

is transferred this year to tomorrow, Monday, 3rd November
with requiem Masses at 8am (TLM), 12:15pm, 7pm.

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 Mass-
es will continue to be offered throughout the next twelve months.

ANNUAL DEANERY REQUIEM FOR DECEASED CLERGY

Thursday, 6th November at 12:15pm

Please come, if you can, and pray for the repose
of the souls of those priests who have served
Ipswich and beyond so faithfully in the past.

BLESSING OF GRAVES AT IPSWICH CEMETERY

Sunday, 16th Novem-
ber at 2:30pm

Soul Cakes...

*are the origin of the modern-day practice of trick-or-treating. In the Middle Ages
children would go around the houses of the village and knock on the door and offer
to pray for the souls of any who had died from that household. In return, they were
given a soul cake. There will be a blessing of soul cakes
after the 12:15pm Mass on Monday.*



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:
registered charity no. 278742.

HOLY YEAR 2025

Suggestion for Spiritual Reading *Read the lives of any of the saints!*

From the Saints

‘Be who you were created to be,
and you will set the world on fire!’

St. Catherine of Siena

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

Have pictures of your favourite saints
on your walls and sideboard.

THE CARLO ACUTIS GROUP (14-17 year olds) will next meet on Thursday, 6th November at 7pm in church. New members welcome.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS’ GROUP will meet next on Monday, 10th November at 11am for the usual 5 Cs: coffee, cake, chatter, catechism, and chaos.

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL with a special second collection on behalf of the Spiritans (The Holy Ghost Fathers) at all Masses on the weekend of 15th/16th November.

THE BOOK CLUB will meet next on 8th December at 7pm to discuss *The Creed in Slow Motion: An Exploration of Faith, Phrase by Phrase, Word By Word* by Martin Kochanski. (Fr Joseph still has one spare copy. Price: £11:43.)

MORE HELP NEEDED PLEASE with counting our collection. We need two more people to join our team of counters (usually on a Tuesday morning once a month). Accuracy and thoroughness essential even if experience is not. Please speak to Fr Joseph.

ADVENT WREATHS If you are having an Advent wreath at home this year bring it to the 10am Mass on Saturday 29th November to be blessed.

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

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Rosina Pelligrini, Leslie Grueber, Helen Wilson, Mgr Joseph McShee, Vincent Cunane, Jim Maile, Consuelo Stocks, Irene Biela, Maggie Schoffield, Dario Pinelli, Lilian Bowles, Kathleen Connolly, Joyce Fahey, Isabel Manthorpe, Mary Gallaway, Catherine King, Rowland Manthorpe, Martin Mongan, Elsa Ward, Bridget Wood, Francis Smith, Angela Roe, Stefan Holyk, Alice Fell, Ursula Deichgraber, Elfreda Hay, Leonard Sikorski, John Flach. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr Joseph writes: We continue our series on the Church.

The Church pt VIII — The Church as the Bride of Christ

As well as describing the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ, Sacred Scripture also describes the Church as the Bride of Christ and talks about the spousal relationship between Christ and His Church again and again. In fact, this image can be traced all the way through the Bible from the Book of Genesis at the beginning to the Book of the Apocalypse at the end.

It is not by accident that the first image God gives us of the proper relationship between Adam and Eve is that of Man and Wife. Just as Man is made in the image and likeness of God (Gen 1:26), so the relationship between Man and Wife is designed to be in the image and likeness of God’s relationship with His Church. Man and wife are wedded to one another, in the first instance to bring forth new life into the world and, second but not separately, to provide for companionship between the spouses (Gen 1:28; 2:18).

In a similar manner, God’s relationship with His Church is designed to bring forth new *spiritual* life—the life of grace—into the world through Baptism and through the other sacraments, and to bring about a greater union between the two parties (between God and His Church).

Many times throughout Sacred Scripture the sacred writers liken the relationship between God and His People to marriage (e.g. Hosea 2:19-20). At times it is a fruitful and faithful marriage (e.g. Ps 127); at times there are sins of infidelity accompanied by barrenness (e.g. Ezek 16). At times, the imagery even spills over into fornication and harlotry and the abandonment of God by His spouse (e.g. Jer 3:1-3). Yet, when God’s spouse wanders from the path of virtue, God always calls her back, forgives her infidelities, and raises her up once more (e.g. Hosea 2:14-23 and 3:1-6).

The Catholic Church Herself cannot be unfaithful to God, but Her members can be unfaithful, and often are, including, sometimes, senior members of the Church. Yet God always calls us back to a life of fidelity, forgiving us ‘seventy times seven times’ (Mt 18:22) and binding us to Himself once more so that He might be our God, and we might be His people (e.g. Jer 31:33).

The miracle at the Wedding Feast at Cana (Jn 2) not only raises up the natural institution of marriage to become a sacrament, but also ushers in a new era in the relationship between God and His people, between Christ and the people He has come to save. The spousal relationship is now raised from the water of the old covenant to a participation in the rich wine of the new covenant. By pouring His sanctifying grace into the hearts of His people through the sacraments of His Church, God raises up His people to a share in the divine life itself (1 Peter 1:4).

Moreover, it is the death of Christ on the Cross that both brings about and sets the seal on this new spousal relationship because it is the Blood of the Lamb poured forth on the Cross, as well as the spiritual and sacramental nourishment bestowed in the Most Holy Eucharist, that brings about, and consummates, the Marriage Feast of the Lamb between God and His people at the end (Apoc 19:7-9).