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 23rd November 2025

Christ the King

09:30 — for the parish 2/3

11:00 — Pro Populo

Monday 24th November

St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions 10am — Lee Carl Porter RIP

Tuesday 25th November

Requiem

8am (TLM) — November Dead List

Wednesday 26th November

Feria

6pm — Holy Souls

Thursday 27th November

Requiem

12:15pm — November Dead List

Friday 28th November

Feria

10am — The Wight family

Saturday 29th November

Our Lady on Saturday 10am — Ludmila's int.

Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent 6pm — Private int.

Sunday 30th November

First Sunday of Advent

09:30 — for the parish 3/3

11:00 — Pro Populo

CONFESSIONS:

Mon — *Sat*: 30 minutes before each Mass

& Sat: 5pm — 5:45pm 1st Friday: 6pm — 7pm

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: 14th Dec.)

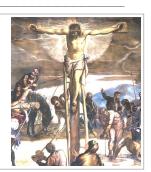
Traditional Latin Masses (TLM) are said according to the Missal used before the Second Vatican Council.

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)



FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Please come and bow down before our King during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this afternoon which concludes with Solemn Benediction at 5pm

'Do we not read throughout the Scriptures that Christ is the King? He it is that shall come out of Jacob to rule (Num 24:19), who has been set by the Father as king over Sion, his holy mount, and shall have the Gentiles for his inheritance, and the utmost parts of the earth for his possession (Ps 2). In the nuptial hymn, where the future King of Israel is hailed as a most rich and powerful monarch, we read: "Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; the sceptre of thy kingdom is a sceptre of righteousness." (Ps 44). There are many similar passages, but there is one in which Christ is even more clearly indicated. Here it is foretold that his kingdom will have no limits, and will be enriched with justice and peace: "in his days shall justice spring up, and abundance of peace...And he shall rule from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." (Ps 71).' Pope Pius XI



Christ the King, detail from the Ghent Altarpiece by Jan van Eyck.

PARISH MAGAZINE Deadline for copy: Sunday, 30th November. Even if you have never sent anything before, now is the time to write a recollection of a holiday or a retreat, a trip to some holy site, or a favourite recipe or gardening tip, or a poem or short story, or your favourite joke! Send to: matilda79r@gmail.com

THE PANCRATIUS Copies of the Advent edition are available now.

ADVENT WREATHS & CALENDARS If you are having an Advent wreath at home this year, or an Advent candle or calendar, bring it to the 10 am Mass on Saturday 29^{th} November to be blessed.

ROSARIES FOR SALE from the Etsy-based company, Mantilla Rose on Sunday 7th December.



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.

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Suggestion for Spiritual Reading

The Reign of Christ by Fr Joseph Husslein

From the Saints

'Christ, has dominion over all creatures, a dominion not seized by violence nor usurped, but His by essence and by nature.'

St Cyril of Alexandria

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



For Christ the King, bake some shortbread or biscuits in the shape of a crown using a crown cookie cutter!

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.)

RORATE MASS A candlelit Traditional Latin Mass in honour of Our Blessed Lady during Advent at 7am on Saturday, 13th December.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT & BLESSING OF CRIBS at 4pm on Sunday, 21st December.

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON BENEDICTION Christmas Day afternoon at 5pm.

EPIPHANY BENEDICTION on Saturday, 10th January at 3pm.

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 the souls of those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: James Riordan, George Kelly, John Shevlin, Marie Doyle, Mary Barham, John Nearly, Joseph Dunleavy, Marie Giudicianni, Pamela Gaffney, Fr Ray Kerby, Mary Emmerson, Sheila Alcock, William George Edward Golding, Andrew Foote, Winifred Cutmore, Florence Mee, Audrey Kelly, Herbert Dallastone, William Golding, Edwin Coney, Kathleen Corkery, James Smith, Annie Lynch, Claire Morris, John Leeder, Johanna Cobbold, Concepta Clyne, Stephen Cusack, Mario Pasini, Hilda Newcombe, Eileen Lennan, Angela Iacobucci, Mary Bailey, Margaret Ellis, Gertrude Teather, Helen Schaar, Walter Balanda, Rigby Brown, Wileen James, Mary Smith, James Barker, Edith Connolly, Mary Graham, and Adrian Patterson. 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 XI — The Church Triumphant

Towards the end of the Church's year we think much of the *Church Triumphant*. That is, of the Church in heaven.

Chiefly, it is the feast of Christ the King that encapsulates the whole idea of the Church Triumphant. In heaven, having overcome death—the final and definitive consequence of sin—Christ reigns over the whole created order as sovereign Lord and ruler of all.

Through his rebellion against the Creator, Lucifer sowed corruption throughout creation. As a result of sin, our union with God, and the harmony and concord between body and soul, crumbled, and what we call the state of integrity—the at -one-ness of body and soul—was damaged. Death, the parting of body and soul, marks the final stage of this decay. Without Our Lord's triumph over this spiritual and material corruption we would end up in a permanent state of separation from God, and our bodies and souls would never be able to be reunited at the end of time in heaven. We would be doomed to an everlasting and damaged, a godless and painful, incompleteness.

With Christ's victory over death, the devil is defeated (even if he seems to win individual battles for a while on earth) and the Son of God reasserts over the whole created order the sovereignty which, by right, belongs to Him alone.

Hail Redeemer, King divine! Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine; King, whose reign shall never cease, Prince of everlasting peace.

With Christ in the heavenly Jerusalem reign all those who 'are come out of the great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and have made them white in the blood of the Lamb' (Apoc 7:14). The heavenly court of our God and King is filled not only with all the choirs of Angels who did not follow Satan in his rebellion, but also those men and women and children who, in this life, have followed the Lamb wheresoever He went (Apoc 14:4). They are the ones who enthroned God as King in their minds and hearts, their homes and their societies, whilst still on earth, and who now live and rejoice with Him forever in heaven.

King, whose name creation thrills, rule our hearts, our minds, our wills; till in peace, each nation rings with thy praises, King of kings.

These countless saints, known and unknown to us, those who have been canonized and those whose merits have gone unacknowledged on earth, are all, and equally, members of the Catholic Church founded by Our Lord whilst He was still personally present on earth.

Because the saints have been purified in the blood of the Lamb, any prayers we present to them may now be filtered and cleansed from any vested or selfish interests, so that what is laid before the throne of God will be unadulterated by our sinful inclinations and therefore wholly, and already, in full accordance with the will of God. In this way, we can benefit from their merits and so partake—even whilst we are still on earth—in the merits of those who have gone before. Alleluia!