

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 9th November 2025

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8am (TLM) — Holy Souls

09:30 — Pro Populo

Remembrance Sunday Requiem

11:00 — The War Dead

Monday 10th November

St Leo the Great

10am — Letty

Tuesday 11th November

St Martin of Tours

8am (TLM) — Robert & Marian Kennedy

Wednesday 12th November

St Josaphat

6pm — Felix Downes-Thomas 1/2

Thursday 13th November

Feria

12:15pm — Deceased Brothers of the
Ipswich Circle of the Catenians

Friday 14th October

Requiem

10am — November Dead List

Saturday 15th November

St Albert the Great

10am — Holy Souls

Vigil of 33rd Sunday of the Year

6pm — for the Parish 1/3

Sunday 16th November

33rd Sunday of the Year

09:30 — Pro Populo

11:00 — Alfred Elbrick RIP

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: 14th Dec.)

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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 both the feast of The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica & Remembrance Sunday

*The readings at the Saturday evening and 9:30am Masses will be from the feast.
At 11am, the readings will be from the Requiem Mass for the War Dead.*



*‘They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.’*

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*‘When you go home, tell them of us and say,
For your tomorrow, we gave our today.’*

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 (please do **not** pay on our Dona machines), 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 Masses will continue to be offered throughout the next twelve months.

On the days when November Dead List requiems are said all the envelopes containing the names will be placed near the altar with a lit candle throughout the day.

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

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

BLESSING OF GRAVES AT IPSWICH CEMETERY

Next Sunday, 16th November at 2:30pm.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday 23rd November with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all day from the end of the 11am Mass until Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5pm. Please sign the watching list.



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

The Dream of Gerontius

by St John Henry Newman

From the Saints

‘Yet how quickly we could empty purgatory
if we but really wished to.’

St. John Vianney, the Curé d’Ars

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

Add this prayer to your daily prayers
at least once a day:

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*

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

THURSDAY LUNCH this week at 1pm to raise funds for Mary’s Meals. Free lunch but donations welcome.

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.)

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT this year falls on Sunday, 30th November.

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

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: John Biela, Lucy Ecroyd, Gabrielle Sharpe, Marjorie Carly, Hilda Fernandez, Albert Chivers, Leonard Cooper, Gloria Gooding, Percy Yates, Patrick O’Keefe, Albert Rose, David Arthur, Alice Unwin, Edith Wallington, Peter Gonsalves, Jane Dermody, Violet Knight, Mrs Reeves, Charles Pajak, Audrey Pipe, William Mitchell, Mr McGrath, Joseph Westerling, Irene Cater, James McDonald, George Bowles, David Curran, and Anne Andrews. 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 IX — The First of the Three States of the Church: the Church Militant

Through the Communion of Saints all the members of the Church enjoy a spiritual union in one of three states: the *Church Militant* on Earth, the *Church Suffering* in Purgatory, and the *Church Triumphant* in Heaven.

‘The Faithful on earth,’ the Roman Catechism tells us, ‘are in communion with each other by professing the same Faith, obeying the same authority, and assisting each other with their prayers and good works.’ By sharing the same Faith, the same Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the same Sacraments, and being united under one Head, they share in the prayers and good works of the whole Church Militant: ‘And if one member suffer any thing, all the members suffer with it; or if one member glory, all the members rejoice with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and members of member’ (1 Cor 12:26-27).

We are not used, these days, to thinking of the Church on earth as being militant nor of ourselves as being soldiers. However, so long as ‘we are in the body, we are absent from the Lord’ (2 Cor 5:6), and so long as we are absent from the Lord and walk in the flesh, we are at war, but ‘we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty to God unto the pulling down of fortifications, destroying counsels, and every height that exalts itself against knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every understanding unto the obedience of Christ’ (2 Cor 10:3-5).

What St Paul is saying here is that disciples of Christ do not discharge their ministry according to carnal or human standards and ways. Rather, they make use of weapons that are ‘mighty to God,’ that is, powerful before (or in the service of) God. The fortifications to be pulled down, and the counsels to be destroyed, are all those obstacles and ideologies that oppose the proclamation of the Gospel. The ‘height that exalts itself’ refers to the pride and vanity of human beings and especially the use of human reason whenever it is pitted against the Gospel. Instead, we should allow our understanding (which is one of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit—Is 11:2) to be led captive, as it were, to the love and obedience of Christ. After all, true faith consists not only in the assent of the intellect (when we understand what the Church teaches and consent to agree to it and submit to it) but also the submission of the will to God’s revelation (when we choose to act in accordance with the Truth that God has made known to us).

The Sacrament of Confirmation not only renders us spiritually mature (whether or not we are emotionally, psychologically, or physically mature) it also makes us soldiers of Christ and fitted to engage in the battle for good and against evil. This battle rages in our own souls as we struggle continually against temptations towards sin and against the concupiscence (sinful desires) of our fallen nature, and as we fight to nurture the fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives (such as charity, joy, peace, patience, and mildness—Gal 5:22-23) in the face of the constant irritations and exasperations of daily life.

The battle also rages between the Church of God on the one hand and the world on the other. Christ’s Church and the world hold two diametrically opposed sets of values and priorities, and we shouldn’t be surprised if the world hates us for standing up for Christ in this fight because, after all, it hated Him first (Jn 15:18-19; 1 Jn 3:13).