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Please contact Fr Mathias (07951 066607), Deacon Clive Brooks (01206 396319) or let Fr Mathew know if you, or any member of your family, are going into hospital.

Mass is celebrated in the Ipswich Hospital chapel each Monday at 4 pm – all are welcome.

Trinity Sunday: 16th June 2019

Sunday Readings: Year C

Weekday Readings Year I: 11th Week of the Year

We offer a warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors.

Services This Week

	8:00 am	Holy Mass – Win & Ted Razzell RIP
	10:00 am*	Holy Mass – Adolf von Fragstein RIP
		Hymns for 10:00 Mass
Sunday 16 th June	Entrance:	- Praise to the Holiest in the height (455)
Trinity Sunday	Offertory:	- Blest are you Lord God of all creation- (67)
	Communion:	- Christ be beside me (79)
	Recession:	- Holy God we praise thy name (213)
	6:00 pm	Holy Mass – People of the Parish
Monday 17 th June	Feria	
	11:00 am	Sybil Turnbull RIP - Requiem Mass
Tuesday 18 th June	Feria	
	9:30 am	Holy Mass – Janes family
Wednesday 19 th June	Feria –	Mass in St Pancras School
	9:30 am	Holy Mass – Peter Kavanagh (foundation Mass)
Thursday 20 th June	Feria	
	9:30 am	Holy Mass - Agnes Humble- (foundation Mass)
Friday 21 st June	St Aloysius Gonzaga	
	9:30 am	Holy Mass
Saturday 22 nd June	Saints John Fisher and Thomas More	
		No Mass Today
Sunday 23 rd June	8:00 am	Holy Mass – Cleary family (foundation Mass)
Corpus Christi	10:00 am*	Holy Mass
	6:00 pm	Holy Mass – People of the parish

* Children's Liturgy will be celebrated during the 10:00 Mass on Sundays.

Tea and coffee will be available in the Guild Room after 10:00 Mass – please do come and join us!

Today's Gospel

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity - one God in three persons.

The verses of today's Gospel come near the end of Jesus' long discourse at the Last Supper. In the early part of this discourse, as we saw last week on Pentecost, Jesus offers assurances to the disciples. Even though he must leave the disciples, he tells them that they will have a future because of the help he will send them in the Holy Spirit. In this section he focuses more on the shape of the future, which will include Jesus' victory over the world that they will share in. The disciples of Jesus cannot know the future. They can only know that, whatever shape the future takes, they will not have to face it alone. They have the Spirit of Truth, who will continue to provide the teaching of Jesus in the future.

Reading this passage on Trinity Sunday reinforces our understanding of the unity shared by the members of the Trinity. Although the idea of one God in three persons remains a mystery, we have the assurance that, as Jesus and the Father share all, Jesus and the Spirit share all.

The Most Holy Trinity

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity celebrates the reality of the eternal God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Trinity is a mystery, one of the most fascinating and controversial of the Christian dogmas. By mystery the Church does not mean a riddle, but that which is above our human comprehension which we ultimately know through worship, symbol and faith. The Son is eternally begotten of the Father, while the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and (through) the Son. Each member of the Trinity interpenetrates one another and each has distinct roles in creation and redemption. The early Christians worshipped God; they also knew that Jesus was God and that Jesus sent the Holy Spirit who was God to be with them. This complex truth is expressed in the word Trinity. God the Father and God the Son has an utterly unique relationship, a relationship which has been for all eternity and it is one that is held and bound together by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has been referred to as 'the bond of love' between the Father and the Son. By our baptism we are so united to Jesus, so one with him, that his special relationship with his Father becomes ours. So we call God as Father. Being a child of God is not just a matter of being a human being. It's not just about sharing the flesh and blood of a common humanity - it's about being born into this new relationship in God by the Holy Spirit, and every time we call God our Father, we are reminded of that profound, precious relationship which we are privileged to share.

Day for Life

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. *Day for Life* is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales and this year's *Day for Life* is celebrated today, 16th June. This year's special focus is on victims of domestic abuse. Please pray for all victims and for those who support them.

On the *Day for Life* website, you can find information and resources on subjects which cover the journey of life. You can also read documents and publications released by the Catholic Church and her bishops on the key issues.

There will be a retiring collection taken in all parishes of England and Wales today, the proceeds of which will assist the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Church.

The Sick of the Parish

Please pray for those who are sick or housebound: Margaret Arbon, Peggy Barron, Jason Beaumont, Michael Clarke, Deacon Peter Coates, Fabiana Di Mascio, Ron Green, Jo Kelly, Molly Mc Garry, Yvonne Metcalfe, Robert Mullan, Anna Nelli, Mary O'Reilly and Pippa Williamson.

Sybil Turnbull RIP

The requiem Mass of Sybil Turnbull, the mother of Magdalen Jermy, will be held tomorrow, Monday 17th June at 11.00am. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for the bereaved family. May she rest in peace.

Father's Day

Today is also the secular celebration of Father's Day. Father's Day is a celebration honouring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. In Catholic Europe, it has been celebrated on March 19th (St. Joseph's Day) since the Middle Ages. This celebration was brought by the Spanish and Portuguese to Latin America, where March 19th is often still used for it, though many countries in Europe and the Americas have adopted the US date, which is the third Sunday of June. Today we remember all father's everywhere living and dead.

Ipswich Hospital Catholic Chaplaincy

Fr Mathias Odigbo has been appointed as Catholic chaplain to the Ipswich Hospital and is assisted in this role by Deacon Clive Brooks. Fr Mathias can be contacted on 07951 066607 and Deacon Clive on 01206 396319. Please contact Fr Mathias or Deacon Clive if you or any member of your family is going into hospital or are taken ill in an emergency and require a priest.

Please be aware that for reasons of patient confidentiality, the current practice in the NHS is **NOT** to inform the chaplains of any Catholics that are admitted to hospital. So unless you or your relatives inform the chaplains of your hospital stay, you will not be visited by a priest or any other member of the chaplaincy team.

Holy Communion is taken to patients each Sunday morning by a team of Eucharistic Ministers from each of the parishes in the Ipswich deanery. If you or a family member would like to receive Holy Communion whilst you are in hospital, please let Fr Mathias or Deacon Clive know - you can contact them direct on the above telephone numbers or alternatively speak to Fr Mathew.

Readers at Mass

Readers do an important job in presenting God's Word during Mass. We'd like to invite more people to become readers in the parish and Martin Pakes will be speaking about this at the end of Mass today. A training evening for readers will be held on Wed 26th June at 7:30 pm starting in the Guild Room and moving on to practice in the church, finishing by 9:00 pm - new readers are most welcome. For more information, please speak to Martin either after Mass today, by email readers@marymagdalens.org or use the contact form on the parish web site.

Ipswich Catholic Women's League (CWL)

On Tuesday June 18th, the Ipswich branch of the CWL will be meeting at Flatford Mill at 2:30 for its summer outing. A tour of the area will be followed by tea in the National Trust tea room. All will be welcome, meet at 2:30 pm at Flatford.

Offertory Collections

The offertory collection on Sunday 9th June was £366.33. Thank you.

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Aglow Pilgrimages are organising a 7 night pilgrimage to the holy Land, departing 10th November 2019. The cost is from £1195 per person, which includes return flights from London, 7 nights accommodation in a four star hotel, breakfast and dinner daily, full religious programme, local guide, private couch and the services of a spiritual director. The trip can be booked online by visiting the web site aglowpilgrimages.com or more information can be obtained by calling Jonathan on 0800 6894792.

New Pilgrim Web Site

This website is inspired by Pope Francis' enthusiasm for the internet. He urges Christians to 'walk the streets of the digital highways ... in order to dialogue with people today and to help them encounter Christ.'

New Pilgrim Path explores and shares the rich spiritual resources of the internet. Visitors are helped to find sites that are relevant to them at the particular stage of their journey. They have pages devoted to a range of resources, including daily prayer, online retreats, inspirational reflections, spiritual poetry, religious broadcasts and many others. Each week they also feature a *Website of the Week*. Please go to www.newpilgrimpath.ie for more information.

Our Own Dear Departed

Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for Annunziata Dedona, George O'Halloran, Thomas Akers, Elizabeth Oxborrow, Bridget Slevin, John Faure, Felix Shipp, Hilda Brant, Pasto Borghere, June Teuma, Joan Melhish, Kathleen Rush and Michael Shevlin whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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

Entrance Antiphon:

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Collect:

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First Reading: Prov. 8:22-31 *Before the earth came into being, Wisdom was born.*

The Wisdom of God cries aloud: *The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded, before the oldest of his works. From everlasting I was firmly set, from the beginning, before the earth came into being. The deep was not, when I was born, there were no springs to gush with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside or the first grains of the world's dust. When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the cloud above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries – and the waters will not invade the shore – when he laid down the foundations of the earth, I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting in him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in the world, delighting to be with the sons of men.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 8:4-9

How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

Second Reading: Rom. :1-5 *To God, through Christ, in the love poured out by the Spirit.*

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 16:12-15 *Everything the Father has is mine; all the Spirit tells you will be taken from what is mine.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: *All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.*"

Prayer over the Offerings:

Sanctify by the invocation of your name, we pray, O Lord our God, this oblation of our service, and by it make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon:

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: *Abba, Father.*

Prayer after Communion:

May receiving this sacrament, O Lord our God, bring us health of body and soul, as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord.