

# St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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



## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### Sunday Readings: Year B

### Weekday Readings: Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time, Year II

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

### Services This Week

Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	8:00 am	Joseph George RIP
	10:00 am*	Open intention
	6:00 pm	The people of the parish
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	
	9:30 am	Janes family
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	
	9:30 am	Open intention
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria – Mass in St Pancras school;	
	9:30 am	Open intention
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	
	<b>No Mass</b>	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	
	9:30 am	Open intention - followed by rosary
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Feria	
	<b>No Mass</b>	
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	8:00 am	Open intention
16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:00 am*	Laura Elizabeth Croker RIP
	6:00 pm	The people of the parish

\* Everybody is invited to join us for tea or coffee after Mass in the church hall

## **Today's Gospel**

In this week's Gospel Mark tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavour. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

## **Welcome**

Today, Fr. Mathew is away in Walsingham with the Syro-Malabar Pilgrimage. We extend a warm welcome to Fr John Abrugi, a Holy Ghost Father, studying scripture at the Biblicum in Rome. He is staying in the East Anglian parish of Wisbeech for the summer and has kindly agreed to cover all three Masses with us today today in Fr Mathew's absence.

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

We continue our children's Liturgy of the Word during the Mass at 10.00 am today. Special thanks to our catechists and parents for supporting this initiative that will help our children in their faith formation. Please feel free to give your comments and feed back so that we can improve on what we are starting in imparting faith to our young ones.

## **First Holy Communion Programme 2018-19 is now open for registration.**

Children aged 7 and above (entering Yr 3 in September 2018) should apply for this programme. Registration forms are available in the narthex or can be downloaded from the parish web site. Please return your form enclosing a copy of the baptism certificate to Fr. Mathew or one of the children's catechists as soon as possible and no later than 16 September 2018, to help us plan for the programme. Please help us spread the word about registrations and encourage family and friends to get those forms in as soon as possible. If your child is in St. Pancras School, please contact the school about the programme.

## **Catholic Women's League**

The next meeting of the Ipswich Catholic Women's League will be held in St Pancras church hall at 2:30 pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a talk "*St Joseph's College to the present day*". This is an open meeting and everybody is welcome.

## **Changes to the Data Protection Law**

Churches hold a lot of data about their worshippers, like Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy communion, marriage and death records. They also hold some financial data regarding standing orders and to satisfy Gift Aid requirements. Most importantly churches have their worshippers address and contact details. Diocesan guidance on the new GDPR regulations, which came into force in May, mean that parishioners need to explicitly authorise the church to allow the use of this data for contact purposes, and to define the manner of that contact. Forms are available in the narthex or can be downloaded from the parish web site - if you have not completed a GDPR form, please do so this week and give it to Fr Mathew.

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Will ministers please note there is a new rota, for the period to end October, on the notice board in the narthex. A copy can also be downloaded from the parish web site. We are below strength in the number of ministers we currently have commissioned - If you feel you would like to serve your parish in this ministry, please speak to Fr Mathew.

## **Catholic Basics – 123**

A new group has been established at St Pancras church and will be holding just three sessions in the month of July on Tuesday evenings. Each session will consist of:

- 1 a talk;
- 2 a bible/catechism study;
- 3 share your thoughts and questions.

You are invited to join the group for the last of these sessions which will be held in St Pancras church hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – *Prayer and how to do it*.

The session, which is open to all, will run from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Please bring a bible and catechism if you can.

## **Share the Journey**

Pope Francis has launched *Share the Journey*, a new global campaign to stand up for the rights of refugees and migrants. The timescale of the campaign is from now until the Pope goes to address the UN in September 2018. A week of action will also take place during Refugee Week in June. In support of the campaign, CAFOD are aiming to walk 24,901 miles - the distance around the whole world! All parishes and schools are invited to engage in this campaign. It's an act of solidarity to *Share the Journey* with our global neighbours fleeing their homes. Every step you take, together with others from across the England & Wales, will send a message to world leaders that they must step up too. They need to act with courage and compassion when they agree ambitious new UN agreements on refugees and migration in 2018. Resources are available on the CAFOD website at: <https://cafod.org.uk> - please click the campaign heading.

## **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, Fr. David Hennessy, Jo Kelly, Molly Mc Garry, Molly & Roger Mayhew, Yvonne Metcalf, Robert Mullan, Mary O'Reilly and Maureen Sparks.

## **Our Own Dear Departed**

Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for William Sheridan, Bishop Alan Clark, Rose Lee, Lillian Barnes, Peggy Oxley, John Welnam, Margaret Faul Alice Reilly, Neil Ford, Elizabeth Thrower and Robert Coyle 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.*

## **Offertory**

The offertory collection from all Masses on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July was £439.15. The retiring collection for the Apostleship of the Sea realised £164.81. Thank you.

## **Readers**

Please note there is a new rota for readers and those presenting the offertory gifts pinned on the notice board in the narthex. The rota can also be found on the parish web site if you would like to download a copy.

## **Grandparents Pilgrimage**

Next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July, the National Grandparents Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will take place. This will commence at 11:00 am with reconciliation, music and song and include Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12 noon. More information can be found on the poster in the narthex, or from the Catholic Grandparents Association web site [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org).

## **Northern Saints Youth Pilgrimage**

The Ignite Team is leading a pilgrimage to York, Durham, Lindisfarne and Iona for those aged between 16-35. The pilgrimage will take place from July 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> this year, and to confirm a place, bookings must be made by 15<sup>th</sup> June. More information can be found on the Diocesan web site – [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth).

## Mass Readings for the Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B) 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### Entrance Antiphon:

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

### First Reading:

Amos 7:12-15 *Go, prophesy to my people.*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, "Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple". "I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets," Amos replied to Amaziah. "I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said 'Go, prophesy to my people, Israel!'"

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 4:9-14

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

### Second Reading:

Eph. 1:3-14 *Before the world was made, God chose us.*

Blessed be God the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he has so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head of everything in the heavens and on the earth. And it is in him that we are claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of salvation, and have believed it: and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, and pledge of your inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you

have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

### Gospel:

Mark 6:-13 *He began to send them out*

Jesus summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, "Do not take a spare tunic". And he said to them "If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them". So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

### Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

### F.I.N.D. "Families in Need in Ipswich".

FIND was established as a registered charity in 1990 by Maureen Reynel MBE. It helps those that are deprived of a minimum standard of living, whether they are single, families, lone parents, children, elderly, sick, disabled or homeless. The FIND tub in the narthex could be your opportunity to reach out to those who have fallen on hard times locally. Gifts of food, particularly non-perishables, especially welcome. Did you know FIND also supplies free of charge household items? If you have any usable appliances or furniture to dispose of, why not contact FIND to see if someone else can benefit. You can learn more about the work of FIND by visiting its web site [www.findipswich.org.uk](http://www.findipswich.org.uk).