



# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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*Diocesan Jubilee 50 Years of the Diocese of East Anglia*



## ST MARK

WITH HOLY FAMILY BRANTHAM

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The parish of St Mark includes St Mark's church in Ipswich and the church of the Holy Family in Brantham (CO11 1TB)

**Parish Priest:**  
Fr Luke Goymour VF

**Parish School:**  
St Mark's School  
**Headteacher:**  
Dr Michael Keller

**Parish Secretary:**  
Mrs Sharon Cullum available  
Thursday 12 – 2 pm  
office@stmarksparish.org.uk

**Parish Safeguarding Rep:**  
**Mrs Joanna McCall**  
psr@stmarksparish.org.uk

**Bank: 20-44-51 A/c No.**  
**60791342**  
St. Marks RC Parish

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
**St Mark's**

Wed & Thurs 6:30 - 7:30 am  
Friday 11:40 - 12:10\*

**Holy Family**  
Tuesday 9:20 – 9:50\*

**Prayer Group:**  
Mondays 6:30 – 8:00pm  
Praise, Worship  
scripture & reflection

**Confession**  
St Mark: 5pm Saturday  
and by appointment

**Children's Liturgy:**  
At 11:15 am Mass every  
Sunday

**Kids Church:** Last Sunday  
of the Month in Term Time  
after 11:15 Mass



## ST MARY MAGDALEN

The Presbytery, T 01473 741975  
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Ipswich, Suffolk W marymagdalens.org  
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E parishpriest@marymagdalens.org

**Parish Priest:**  
Fr Luke Goymour VF

**Confession:**  
by appointment

**Parish School:**  
St Pancras Catholic Primary  
Stratford Road  
Ipswich  
IP1 6EF  
T 01473 742074

**Headteacher:** Jo Berry and  
Ross McGill  
**Safeguarding**  
safeguarding@marymagdalens  
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**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
Tuesdays at 9:30 am with  
Rosary

**Offerings:**  
Please consider setting up a  
standing order in favour of the  
parish instead of a weekly  
cash offering. If you can Gift  
Aid your donation, please  
complete a form which you  
can find in the church [porch].

**Bank:**  
A/c: St Mary Magdalen Roman  
Catholic Parish  
Sort Code: 20-44-51  
A/C Number: 70777323

**Catholic Lay Chaplain to the Ipswich Hospital:** Mrs Rachael Tearle, if you or a family member requires a visit, sacraments and support whilst in hospital please notify her by email: hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

## Responsorial Psalm:

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

8<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year – Year A

### Weekly Mass Schedule at St Mary Magdalen, St Mark's and Holy Family Churches

<b>SATURDAY</b> 23/05/2026	<b>17:30 St Mark's: Anticipatory Mass</b> Offered For: People of the Parish	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 24/05/2026	<b>08:00 Holy Family: Mass</b> Offered For: Family of Grace O'Connor RIP <b>09:45 St Mary Magdalen: Holy Mass</b> Offered For: Repose of the soul of Lissamma Joseph RIP <b>11:15 St Marks: Mass and Rosary.</b> Followed by BBQ Offered For: Michael Sellers RIP	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>
<b>MONDAY</b> 25/05/2026	<b>18:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Preached Rosary, Benediction</b> <b>19:00 St Mark's: Mass</b> <b>19:40 St Mark's: Litany of Loreto</b>	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 26/05/2026	<b>10:00 Holy Family: Adoration and Rosary</b> <b>18:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Preached Rosary and Benediction</b> <b>19:00 St Mark's: Mass</b> <b>19:40 St Mark's Litany of Loreto</b>	<b>St Phillip</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 27/05/2026	<b>06:30 St Mark's: Adoration and Rosary</b> <b>12:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Rosary</b> <b>18:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Preached Rosary and Benediction</b> <b>19:00 St Mark's: Mass</b> <b>19:40 St Mark's Litany of Loreto</b>	<b>St Augustine of Canterbury</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 28/05/2026	<b>06:30 St Mark's: Adoration and Rosary</b> <b>10:00 St Mary Magdalen's: Adoration, Rosary</b> <b>18:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Preached Rosary and Benediction</b> <b>19:00 St Mark's: Mass</b> <b>19:40 St Mark's Litany of Loreto</b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 29/05/2026	<b>15:00 St Mark's: Divine Mercy and Adoration</b> <b>18:00 St Mark's: Adoration, Preached Rosary and Benediction</b> <b>19:00 St Mark's: Mass</b> <b>19:40 St Mark's: Enrolment and Blessing of Miraculous Medals</b>	<b>Feria</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 30/05/2026	<b>Pilgrimage Walk to St Pancras for Mass</b> <b>10:30 Depart St Mark's</b> <b>10:45 Depart St Mary Magdalen's: Pray the Rosary as we walk to St Pancras</b> <b>12:00 noon St Pancras: Angelus and Mass in honour of Our Lady of Ipswich</b>	<b>The Most Holy Trinity</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 31/05/2026	<b>08:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Michael Wilkins RIP <b>09:45 St Mary Magdalen: Holy Mass</b> Offered For: Repose of the soul of Peter Kavanagh RIP (Foundation Mass) <b>11:15 St Mark's</b> Offered For: People of the Parish	<b>The Most Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Ipswich Polish Catholic Mission</b>	<i>Mass in Polish is celebrated at St Mary Magdalen Church typically: Sat 6pm, Sun 12 noon. Monday 10 am, Wednesday and Friday 7pm, see their website for full schedule, including First Friday devotions.</i>	

## Sunday Homilies

can be **listened to again** on *Spotify* and on all major **Podcast platforms** just search:  
**Fr Luke's Homilies**

*FIND (Families in Need) are looking for drivers.*

*See poster at the back of the Church*

## **NEW** TO our PARISHES or not yet registered on Church Suite?

Please send an email to the Parish Office  
[office@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarksparish.org.uk)

*After Sunday Mass at all 3 churches, we have tea, coffee and biscuits. If you could join us that would be wonderful! We can tell you more about our parishes.*

**Michael Sellers RIP Funeral Mass:** Will be held at St Mark's Church on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 11am. The church service will then be followed by a service at Seven Hills Crematorium at 12:45pm.

**Lions Pantry at St Mark's:** Thank you to those who have kindly set up a direct debit for the pantry. Please can you check you are signed up for Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer. Forms are available at the back of church. Please, if you are able any donations either financial or of items i.e. breakfast cereal, baked beans and Instant pasta, rice are very popular.

**Sisters of St Peter Claver visit:** The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will be at St Mark's Parish the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026 to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. They work in solidarity with missionaries around the world, especially in regions where the Church is poor and resources are limited. Through prayer and practical support, they help sustain missionary work in pastoral ministry, education and healthcare. We thank you for your generosity and ask you to keep the missionaries and their work in your prayers.

**Please collect used postage stamps for our local Hospice - ALL YEAR PLEASE.** Can you please place them in the box at the rear of the Holy Family church or on the table at St Mark's to help support the outstanding work of our local Hospice. Please cut around the stamp leaving just a small border.

**Diocese's Retreat Day for Women 2026:** Organised by the Diocese, the highly popular *Retreat Day for Women* will be repeated on a second date on **Saturday 6th June**, with talks given by the sisters of the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham at their home in Dereham, Norfolk. Join us as we explore ways of growing in our relationship with Christ. The day will explore some of Saint Edith Stein's ideas of what it means to be a woman and the unity God desires to bring us to, as well as how to carry the crosses of daily life. The day will include two talks, time for discussion and fellowship, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament as well as a cream tea. Places are limited! Booking essential! Booking Form and all information found here: [www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/) Please direct all enquiries to [mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk)

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE:** 16<sup>TH</sup> September – 23 September 7 nights £849 per person based on 2 sharing, single person supplement £210, direct from Stanstead, 10kg bags included includes transfers, 20kg checked in can be added for £60 return. 7 nights accommodation at Hotel Leone. Half board, full religious programme. Please use the QR code or link to contact Joe Walsh Tours for further details and to book or Tel: Reservations: 0808 1890468 or link <https://joewalshstours.co.uk/private-groups/medjugorje-pilgrimage-fr-luke-goymour/>



**Sunday Lunch at St Mark's:** If you would like to join us after mass at the next Sunday lunch on 31<sup>st</sup> May. Please let Jennie or Pat know you intend to come along so they can tell the cafe how many diners to can expect. If you prefer to text their contact details are Jennie Newing on 07721 314892 or Pat West on 07594 250839.

**Prayer Ministry available to all at St Mark's:** Going forward on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Trained people will be available to pray with you, for healing and peace for any situation you are dealing with at home, work or school.

**Eucharistic Congress Ipswich - Principal Mass, Sunday 13 September:** The Eucharistic Congress Ipswich takes place across a week of prayer, teaching, and worship hosted by parishes across Ipswich, on 6<sup>th</sup> –13<sup>th</sup> September 2026. The week closes with the Principal Mass for the Ipswich Deanery, celebrated by the Bishop at the Ipswich Corn Exchange at 11.00am on Sunday 13 September. This is the Mass for the whole town of Ipswich that Sunday — Catholics across the Deanery are encouraged to attend in place of their usual parish Mass. Seating is limited. Advance booking is essential. **Book your place and find out more at [eucharisticcongressipswich.org](http://eucharisticcongressipswich.org)**

**St Mark's 100 CLUB** – This club raises funds for the Parish and hold a monthly prize draw where three cash prizes are won. Details about the 100 Club can be obtained from the parish website by simply scanning the QR code alongside or pick up a leaflet and entry form from the back of the church. You can also obtain further information from David Ford either by telephoning on 01206 298939 or sending an email to [dford0554@aol.com](mailto:dford0554@aol.com).



**Bible Group at St Mary Magdalen:** The Bible Study group sessions continue this week on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May with a session that will immediately follow Adoration and Rosary, followed by a second session at 7:15 in the evening – both sessions being in the Garden Room. Bible group meetings are open to all – just come along and bring your bible with you. Spares will be available if you don't have one.

**Rosary at St Mary Magdalen:** As part of the special Rosary Rally events, this week's Adoration and Rosary will take place at 10:00 am on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> and not Tuesday. This is open to all – why not come along and join us in the church at 10:00am?

**Parish 150 Club at St Mary Magdalen:** The May prize draw will take place next Sunday, 31st May, after Mass in the Garden Room. There is plenty of room for new members, and if you would like to join, there are paper application forms in the church porch and an on-line application form on the parish website – scan the QR code to take you straight to it.



**The Sick of the Parish:** We ask for your continuing prayers for Anna de Dona, Charles, Patrick Doran, Jim Spence, Margaret Ward (née Curry) and all our brothers and sisters who are unwell, afflicted, housebound or distressed. *Lord, comfort and relieve them according to their needs, and grant them the love and consolation of your Spirit. Amen.*

**Our Own Dear Departed:** Of your charity, please pray for Henry Head (1924), Graham “Ken” Bainbridge (2018), Joan Elliott (1980), Freda Casartelli (1985), Ronald Bailey (2008), Frank Janes (1979), Terence Billesberry (2011), Louise de Lorenzi (1995), Patrick Allpress (2020), Christopher Ward (1958), James Fitzgerald (1999), Margaret McArdle (2015), Anna Nelli (2022), Bridget Quiqley, Ron Goodchild, Edith Ragoonaden (2017), Michael Obolensky (1995) and Mary Rolfe (2004) whose anniversaries occur about this time. A full list of parish anniversaries can be found on the parish web site.

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Remember to pray for the Mission of our Parishes:**

God our Father,

we give you thanks and praise for calling us to share in the fullness of life and love that Jesus won for us.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish community.

Changed by your Spirit, may we become a community of disciples, attentive to the needs of all who come through our doors, and even those who don't.

We pray for your blessing upon every person in our parish community, and on all who live in and around our parish.

May they know your love, your presence, and your power in their lives.

For all who are struggling at this moment, we ask that you enter their lives and lift them.

May our parish become a place of adoration, where the hungry are fed, the sick are healed, the bereaved are comforted, and all are made whole. Soften our hearts to your will.

Make us open to what you desire to do in and through our parish, and give us the courage and strength to follow your call.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

*Please pray this prayer often and remember Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place weekly at 6:30 am at St Mark's on Wednesday and Thursdays for this intention*