



# PARISH NEWSLETTER



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## 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

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

**Parish Secretary:**  
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[office@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**Local Safeguarding Rep:**  
[psr@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:psr@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
St Mark's  
Friday 11:40 – 12:10

Holy Family  
Tuesday 9:20 – 9:50

**Prayer Group:**  
Mondays 7:00 – 8:30pm  
Praise, Worship  
scripture & reflection

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

**Children's Liturgy:**  
11 am 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays of each month

**Evening Praise and  
Worship** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of  
Each month at 6:30 pm



## ST MARY MAGDALEN

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**Parish administrator:**  
Fr Luke Goymour

**Assistant Priest:**  
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**Confession:**  
5:30pm Saturday  
and by appointment

**Parish School:**  
St Pancras Catholic Primary  
Stratford Road  
Ipswich  
IP1 6EF  
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**Headteacher:**  
Mrs Lucille Martin

**Confession:**  
5:30pm Saturday  
and by appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
Fridays after 10:00 Mass  
Exposition, a Chaplet of  
Divine Mercy and  
Benediction

**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:**  
Account name: 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](mailto:hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024.**

# News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

<b>Responsorial Psalm – You Lord, are my praise in the great assembly</b>		<b>5<sup>th</sup> week of Easter – Year B</b>
<b>MASS &amp; PRAYER TIMES:</b>		
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>27/4/24</b>	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: The People of the Parish	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>28/4/24</b>	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Noreen Castle <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: Pearl Murphy RIP	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>30/4/24</b>	<b>10:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Mary Bird	<b>Easter Feria</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>1/5/24</b>	<b>NO MASS TODAY</b>	
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>2/5/24</b>	<b>NO MASS at St. Mark's</b> 10:00 at St. Mary Magdalens	<b>St. Athanasius</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>3/5/24</b>	<b>12:15 pm St. Mark's</b> Offered For: Julia Quigley	<b>SS. Philip &amp; James</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>4/5/24</b>	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: The People of the Parish	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <b>The English Martyrs</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>5/5/24</b>	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Mary & Graeme Forsyth <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: Michael Galloway RIP	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>

**Sunday Homilies**  
 can be listened to again at:  
<https://anchor.fm/fr-luke-goymour> And on all major  
**Podcast platforms** just  
 search:  
**Fr Luke's Homilies**

**On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
**the Parish Hall will**  
**be used as a Polling**  
**Station.**

The Hall and the  
 Kitchen will **NOT** be  
 available for Parish  
 use on that day

## Parish BBQ and Family Day – in the Parish Garden following the 11am Mass.

**COME, CREATOR SPIRIT, COME:** After 50 days of Easter we come to the birthday of the Church at Pentecost. Come and join us on Saturday 18th May, here at St Mark's, to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit with song, prayer, talks and creative workshops - writing/poetry, art and music. Our visiting speaker is Catholic poet and Bard, Sarah De Nordwall, who has been entertaining and inspiring people across the world to 'unleash their creative potential and find their poetic voice'. Ben Goymour, Artist, will also be running an art workshop Starts 10.00am and ends with the 5.30pm parish Vigil Mass for Pentecost. Bring a packed lunch. Drinks provided. Donations on the day. All Welcome

**Two Retreats at Clare Priory –** A Residential Retreat from 23rd to 26<sup>th</sup> April Reflective walking around Clare and A Quite Day of Prayer and Reflection on 17<sup>th</sup> July. For more information or to book contact Kathy on 01787 277326 or email [clarepriory@clarepriory.net](mailto:clarepriory@clarepriory.net)

**ALPHA COURSE –** The next course begins at St Mark's on Wednesday 8th May 7.30 - 9.00pm running for 11 weeks. Although this course was originally designed to bring unbelievers to faith, the excellent teaching gives many interesting insights that help us grow in our knowledge and understanding of our Christian faith, enabling us to share that faith more effectively with others. Please sign up at the back of the church as we need to know numbers for the hot meal served at the beginning of each session. We will be running the course again in St Mary Magdalens and St Mark's in the autumn. For more information about Alpha: [alpha.org.uk](http://alpha.org.uk)

**Inviting ALL young people in Year 8 upwards to the Ignite Festival 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> May** Come and experience your faith in a new and dynamic way at the Ignite Festival. The weekend will include inspiring talks, passionate prayer, live music, and lots of fun stuff! Followed by joining the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Bank Holiday Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>. See [www.ignitefestival.co.uk](http://www.ignitefestival.co.uk) for more information.

**ChurchSuite –If you haven't had an email from Fr Luke asking you to sign up, please email the Parish office - [office@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarksparish.org.uk) so that we can email you out a link and you can be added to the system**

**Medjugorje 2024** – The pilgrimage to Medjugorje this year is from 19<sup>th</sup> September to 26<sup>th</sup> September. The details are as the successful pilgrimage last year and the price is the same, £779 per person for a shared room. For information contact Chris McEwen on [chrismceweneb@gmail.com](mailto:chrismceweneb@gmail.com) or 07967 568852

**100 CLUB** - Since its launch in 2012 the 100 club has raised £20,047 for the Parish.



To take part in the monthly prize draw pick up an application form to join or take a further number at the back of the church or contact Graeme Forsyth at [mgforsyth@outlook.com](mailto:mgforsyth@outlook.com) or on 01206 399049. For further information visit the Parish Website or scan the QR code here

**Please collect used postage stamps for our local Hospice** - ALL YEAR, not just at Christmas and place them in the box at the rear of the church to help support the outstanding work of our local Hospice. Please cut around the stamp leaving just a small border.

**St. Albans** – Open Mornings. An opportunity to visit and experience the school as a live learning environment, see the outstanding facilities and talk with key staff members. On 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> July. See the poster at the back of the church for further details.

**Mary's Meals** - would like to invite you to collect all your foreign currency\* no matter how old or obscure. In 2 weekend's time there will be envelopes at the back of church for you to take home and put all your foreign coins and notes into. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa. Currently the charity feeds over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education – by giving Mary's Meals your foreign coins and notes you can help feed the next hungry child. Mary's Meals feeds in over 18 countries. Because of our low costs we can do this for as little as £19.15 per child per year! They will also take UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender

## News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

<b><i>Fifth Sunday of Easter – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year B Services during the coming week – Fifth Week of Easter, Year II</i></b>		
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Easter, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: I Suttle, Offertory: Hennon Family.
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira Family, living and dead. Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Minister: C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, open intention. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Minister: M Geisel.
<i>Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, this week served by Michael &amp; Teresa</i>		
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April		St Catherine of Sienna <b>No Mass Today</b>
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April		Easter Feria
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, open intention.
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May		Easter Feria
	12 noon	Holy Mass, open intention.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May		St Athanasius
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP.
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May		Saints Philip and James, Apostles
	10:00 am	Holy Mass open intention, followed by Exposition, a chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass of the Sixth Sunday of Easter, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family.
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP. Reader: C Moore, Offertory: Moore Family, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, open intention. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Minister: R Shorten.

**Catholic East Anglia:** The May edition of the Diocesan newspaper, Catholic East Anglia, is available in the church porch. This is a free publication – please do take a copy home with you. Amongst other items, this edition contains a report on Easter celebrations across the Diocese, recollections of missionary service from our own Fr Pat Cleary, a report on the visit of a Papal Nuncio to Cambridge, Bishop Alan's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration and an article reflecting on the constitutions of the Second Vatican Council. It will also be available to read on-line on the parish web site.

**Alpha Course:** A new Alpha course will commence soon. This will be held in St Mark's church hall on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. The course is an eleven-week programme with each session beginning with a shared meal, followed by a talk and then a group discussion. Alpha is held in an open, friendly and relaxed environment and is designed to allow members to explore the basics of the Christian faith without any pressure and is recommended for us all. The first session will be on 8<sup>th</sup> May, and a sign-up sheet for this is available in the porch.

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**Gift Aid:** Would all those parishioners who normally make their weekly offering using Gift Aid envelopes please note that their new 2024/25 envelopes are now available for collection from the Narthex. If you can't find your envelopes in the box please write your name on the sheet provided for this purpose and they will be made available to you next week. If anyone who has already signed up to giving by Gift Aid has changed their address during the last year, or did not pay sufficient income or capital gains tax to cover the tax reclaimable on their offerings, then please notify either Fr. Luke, Fr. Paul or Chris Croker (Gift Aid Co-ordinator).

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**When Will I Be Chosen?:** Dates for your diaries – the first showings of *The Chosen* will be held in the parish hall starting at 6:30 pm on the first four Saturdays in June: the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. We want as many people as possible to come along and watch this amazing production so put these dates in your diaries now. There will be two episodes shown each session, with a break for tea and coffee in between. There is no charge for this so please do come along and see for yourself.

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**First Holy Communion 2024:** The next session for this year's First Holy Communion candidates will be on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May, at 6:00 pm at St Mark's, and on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30 am at St Mary Magdalen's.

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**Parish 150 Club:** The first prize draw of the new Club year, which should take place at the end of April, will be delayed slightly allowing some more time for the outstanding subscription payments to be received. If you have not yet paid your new year subscription, can you please do so as soon as possible. We are actively seeking new members and additional subscriptions from existing members for this fund raising venture as we have lost a number of members this year for different reasons. If you are not a member of this Club yet, now would be a very appropriate time to join - application forms are available in the church porch or, you can sign up on-line on the parish web site. If you are already a member, could you take out an additional number? If so, please contact the secretary by email at [150club@marymagdalens.org](mailto:150club@marymagdalens.org) or speak to Michael Long.

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**Diocesan Pilgrimage To Walsingham:** This year's Diocesan pilgrimage will take place on Bank Holiday Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May. It will begin with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of the Annunciation, Friday Market, until 11.45 am. At 12 noon there will be the Regina Caeli and the Crowning of the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham by Bishop Peter Collins in Friday Market. A procession will then make its way down the Holy Mile to the Shrine reciting the Rosary and singing hymns. On arrival there will be a brief Penitential Service and the opportunity for Confessions at the Crosses around the meadow, followed by a break for lunch and private visits to the Shrine in the Slipper Chapel, and at 3 pm, Bishop Peter will celebrate Pontifical Mass which will conclude the pilgrimage.

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**Church Organ:** Thank you to the three persons who have come forward and volunteered to help operate the organ for our singing at the 10:00 Mass. It's not too late to join them. We need some more volunteers willing to be trained in its operation so as to relieve the burden on individuals and provide more cover. If you can help us in this way, please speak initially to Fr Paul, Chris Croker or Michael Long and we can arrange for training and "shadowing" to allow you to fill this role.

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**St Albans Roman Catholic High School:** The school is very proud to say that it has a full intake of year 7 pupils this September with a substantial waitlist. With the deadline for applications for September 2025 intake October, it is such a quick decision to make and the school wants to make sure that all of our Catholic families know when they can come and visit the school before the summer holidays. There will be two open mornings at the school which will provide an opportunity to visit the school and experience it as a live learning environment, see the outstanding facilities and talk with key staff. These open mornings will be between 9:10 and 10:25 am Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> of July, and places can be booked on the school web site – scan the QR code to take you there.



**The Sick of the Parish:** We ask your prayers for Patrick Doran, Jim Spence 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 the repose of the souls of our faithful departed and especially for Joan Haznos (1993), James Ratcliffe (1992), Cezarina Meyer (1980), Doris Carvey (1998), Mary Dodson (1983), Charles "Freddy" Ashard (1985), Marion Hyland (1992), George Rymell (1992), Salvatore Falcucci (2014) and Margaret McInerney (2019), whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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

**Congratulations to Rachael Tearle** who has been appointed as Catholic Lay Hospital Chaplain to the Ipswich Hospital by Bishop Peter. As well as committed Catholic and a parishioner, Rachael is a nurse, who has worked at the Ipswich Hospital and bring with her years of experience. She will be working part time, visiting, praying, supporting, and bringing Holy Communion to Catholics in hospital. She is also able to arrange for a priest to visit, should one be required. Please pray for Rachael and the Chaplaincy Team as they serve and bring Christ to the sick and the vulnerable. If you need to arrange hospital visit please contact Rachael by email: [hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk)