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Headteacher:
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Eucharistic Adoration:
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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 1st, 3rd and 5th
Sundays of each month

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



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Confession:
5:30pm Saturday
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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
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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 5th May 2024.

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations		
6 th week of Easter – Year B		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
SATURDAY 4/5/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For:	6th Sunday of Easter
SUNDAY 5/5/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Mary & Graeme Forsyth 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Michael Galloway RIP	6th Sunday of Easter
TUESDAY 7/5/24	10:00 Holy Family Offered For: Michael Galloway RIP 2pm Funeral Mass for Margaret Congdon, Church of St Mary the Virgin and Mother, Caple St Mary	Easter Feria
WEDNESDAY 8/5/24	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Mark Woolles RIP	Easter Feria
THURSDAY 9/4/24	9:30 St Mark's Offered For: George Albert RIP 19:00 Holy Family Offered For: People of the Parish	The Ascension of the Lord
FRIDAY 10/4/24	12:15 pm St. Mark's Offered For: Darsham Edwards Intentions	Easter Feria
SATURDAY 11/5/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish	7th Sunday of Easter
SUNDAY 12/5/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Peter, Richard, Jennifer & Jeremy Moss RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Lynn Sellers RIP	7th Sunday of Easter

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

**This Thursday we
 celebrate the
 Ascension of the
 Lord.**

**This day is a Holiday
 of Obligation See
 the Mass times
 opposite.**

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.

Retreats at Clare Priory – A Quite Day of Prayer and Reflection on 17th July. For more information or to book contact Kathy on 01787 277326 or email clarepriory@clarepriory.net

Men's Retreat: 7,8,9th June at Clare Priory with Transform Ministry: Register at www.transformministries.uk/

ALPHA COURSE – The next course begins this Wednesday 8th May 7.30-9.00pm in St. Mark's Hall. Signing up closes this Sunday 5th May. Please make sure we know any dietary requirements. We look forward to welcoming you for a hot meal followed by a video and group discussion. alpha.org.uk

FIND - thanks us for our generosity. Currently they need fresh fruit and veg, tinned fruit, tomatoes, baked beans, rice pudding, cereals, sugar, mug shots, pot noodles, peanut butter treats and individual crisp packets. **The donation box is still under table at the back of St Marks.**

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 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 19th September to 26th 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 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 or on 01206 399049. For further information visit the Parish Website or scan the QR code here



Next Sunday at 6:30 pm at St Mark's - Praise and Worship with Evening Prayer, Tea, Coffee, and Cake – All welcome

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 8th & 9th 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

Pentecost Novena: We are encouraged to prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost by nine days of prayer starting on the Friday after the Ascension and finishing on Saturday 18th May, the day of our Pentecost retreat. A good Novena can be found at <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-holy-spirit>

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Magaret Congdon, mother of Clare Fox who died last Sunday please also pray for **Betty Stubbs** who also died on Sunday. Maragret's funeral Mass will be at 2pm on Tuesday 7th May in Caple and Betty Stubbs on Thursday 30th May at Holy Family. Please continue to pray for repose of the Soul of **Paulin Harris** whose funeral Mass will be on 21st May at St Mark's.

News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

Sixth Sunday of Easter – 5th May 2024: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year B Services during the coming week – Sixth Week of Easter, Year II		
Saturday 4 th May	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the Sixth Sunday of Easter, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family.
Sunday 5 th 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.
<i>Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, this week served by Molly & Julie</i>		
Monday 6 th May	Easter Feria	
	No Mass Today	
Tuesday 7 th May	Easter Feria	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, open intention.
Wednesday 8 th May	Easter Feria	
	12 noon	Holy Mass, open intention.
Thursday 9 th May	The Ascension of the Lord – Holy Day of Obligation	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, open intention
	7:00 pm	Holy Mass, open intention.
Friday 10 th May	Easter Feria	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass open intention, followed by Exposition, a chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 11 th May	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the Seventh Sunday of Easter, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: I Suttle, Offertory: Hennon Family.
Sunday 12 th May	8:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: A Smith, Eucharistic Minister: C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Minister: M Long.

The Ascension of the Lord: Thursday of this week is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, commemorating the fortieth day after the Resurrection when Jesus ascended body and soul into Heaven and took His seat at the right hand of His Father. The Ascension marks the completion of Jesus' earthly mission. It is a Holy Day of Obligation when all Catholics are required to attend Mass, and Masses at St Mary Magdalen will be at 10:00 am and at 7:00 pm.

World Communications Day: Next Sunday is World Communications Day. It's a day when we pray for all those who work in the media. It was established by Pope Paul VI in 1967 as an annual celebration that encourages us to reflect on the opportunities and challenges that the modern means of social communication afford the Church to communicate the gospel message. To mark this year's World Communications Day, the Holy Father Pope



Francis has issued a message entitled *Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards a Fully Human Communication*. This message can be read in full on the news page of the parish web site – scan the QR code to take you straight to it. To support the church's work in this important field, the Communications Office of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales is a team working in the media to publicise and promote Catholic content within mainstream media and to help support its work, there will be a retiring collection after all Masses next weekend.

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 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd. 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.

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 80th birthday celebration and an article reflecting on the constitutions of the Second Vatican Council. It is also available to be read on-line on the parish web site – scan the QR code to take you straight to it.



Alpha Course: A new Alpha course will commence this week. 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 a sign-up sheet for this is available in the porch.

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

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 or speak to Michael Long.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To Walsingham: This Bank Holiday Monday, 6th 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 at 3 pm, Bishop Peter will celebrate Pontifical Mass which will conclude the pilgrimage.

Hall Improvement Project: The next stage of our project to update and improve the hall facilities will take place on Wednesday 8th May when Hadleigh Glass will be installing new uPVC double glazed windows in place of the existing single glazed wooden framed versions. This work is costing £14,500. The toilet windows will be replaced at a later date when a revised layout to incorporate a wheelchair accessible facility has been agreed - a proposed layout is available for viewing and comment on the noticeboards in both the church and hall foyers. As well as updating the toilet facilities, and subject to the availability of funding, other planned works include refurbishing and refitting the kitchen, modernising the heating arrangements and renovating the floor. In January the parish received a grant of £6,950 from the Benefact Trust to put towards hall improvements, further grants are being sought and the aim is to finance as much of the work as possible from grants, hall rental income and proceeds from social activities. Please speak to any member of the Finance Committee if you would like further information or would like to contribute to this project in any way.

Thank You: A big thank you to all those who helped to make the international evening last Saturday such a success. It was a very enjoyable evening and attracted visitors from other parishes to our church for the Saturday evening Mass. Everyone took part in the dancing and it was a pleasure to see empty chairs. Several requests have already been received for this to be repeated, so watch this space for further announcements and news of other social events in the parish.

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 Catherine M Head (2008), Sybil Turnbull (2019), Patrick McManus (1986), Manuel Giner, Ronald Blake (2005), Canon Augustine Peacock, founder of parish (1956), John Beeby (1985), Peter McWalter, Peter Samudovsky (2020), Phyllis Cullen (1998), Eileen Mills (1997), Michael Byrne (2005) and Mary Hollis (2010) 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