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Tuesday – 09:20 - 09:50

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St Mark's School
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St Mark
1st and 3rd & 5th Monday
6:00pm: Adoration
7:00pm – Praise, worship,
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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.

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Catholic chaplain to the Ipswich hospitals: Awaiting new appointment. Please contact either Fr Paul, Fr Luke or one of the other Ipswich priests if you or a family member are going in to hospital.

Fr Luke writes: "Welcome to our new format newsletter. As your parish priest and pastor of both St Mark's, with Holy Family Brantham, and St Mary Magdalens Parish it is important that we work together and coordinate as much as we can. Part of our working together is to share a joint newsletter. Among other things this will help us to share Mass times and news between our communities, and as your Pastor, it will help me to communicate information to you more efficiently. Please bear with us over the next few weeks whilst we get used to the new format."

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Fr Luke is on Jury Service from Monday 30th October for an indefinite period. This will cause disruption to weekday Masses and his pastoral availability. Please note that he will celebrate early Masses on most days at 7 am (see below). **All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation**, Mass will be celebrated in the parish on Tuesday Evening at Holy Family (Anticipatory Mass) and Wednesday Morning at 7 am and Wednesday Evening at 19:30. There is also a 10 am Mass at St Mary Magdalene's and other Masses across the town.

Responsorial Psalm – I love you Lord my strength.		
30 th WEEK OF THE YEAR – Year A		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
SAT 28th	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Mrs. Ormiston RIP	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUN 29th	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: The intentions of Lucy Holland 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: The People of the Parish	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
TUES 31st	19:30 Holy Family Offered for:	All Saints
WEDS 1ST	7:00 am St. Mark's 19:30 St. Mark's Offered for: People of the Parish	All Saints
THURS 2nd	7:00 am St. Mark's Offered for: Holy Souls	All Souls (Ecumenical Prayer for Chantry 6:30 – 7:30 at St Mark's)
FRI 3rd	7:00 am St. Mark's Offered for: Holy Souls	Feria
SAT 4th	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (St. Charles Borromeo)
SUN 5th	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Liz & Leo O'connor RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Stella McCall RIP	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Call to Prayer – Chantry and Pinewood – Ecumenical prayer group, Thursday 2nd November 6:30 – 7:30pm at **St Marks**

Gift Aid - We intend to make a claim in November for the period of April 2022-2023 and would like to remind you that it is essential that you are still paying UK income or Capital Gains Tax in an amount equal to the claim. Unless we are informed to the contrary, we will be claiming tax on your behalf. If anyone would like to boost their donations at no extra cost the gift aid forms are available on the table at the back of the church. Kindly email me with any changes since you last completed the form at sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk

100 Club – this month's winners are numbers 89 – 1st, 98 – 2nd, 140 3rd. Details are also available at the back of the Church or contact Graeme Forsyth at mgforsyth@outlook.com or on 01206 399049.

Confirmation Class Confirmation class begins on 4th November at St Mark's forms available at the back of Church, **10 – 4pm**

First Holy Communion Registration Open: Please fill out a form (back of church on both tables) and return to Fr Luke. Registration closes on 8th November. **Please note that there is a course for parents this year.**

Want to become a Catholic? Then consider joining our RCIA programme, please fill out a form and return to Fr Luke (The Alpha course will form part of this year's RCIA course)

Jury Service: Fr Luke has been summoned for Jury Service on 30th October. This will cause some disruption to weekday Masses. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Ipswich in Prayer Breakfast – 18th November 7.30 to 9am at the Salvation Army Citadel, 588 Woodbridge Road Ipswich IP4 4PH. Please let them know if you will be attending and if you have any special dietary requirements. Paulbutcher333@gmail.com or 07734665314 or WhatsApp.

Social & Fundraising - This year our main fundraiser, the Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 2nd December. We, the Parish Fundraising Group really would appreciate your help, if you could volunteer for a couple of hours on Friday morning to help bring down heavy boxes from upstairs and set the tables up. And/or on Saturday morning to help run co-run one of the stalls. There is a list on the church notice board near the doors, of stall helpers still required, please pop your name and phone number on it.
Thank you for your support.

RISE UP! A Day of Renewal in the Holy Spirit – organised by the Charismatic Renewal in East Anglia, is taking place here at St Mark's on Saturday 11th November. It starts at 10.00am with Mass, ending at 4.30pm. The day will include teaching, prayer, Adoration and praise and worship. Tea and coffee provided, please bring a packed lunch. Contact Clare Fox: 07906523496 for more information.

FIND, thanks us for our generosity - and is asking especially for soup, tinned potatoes, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, tinned fruit and shampoo

St. Albans – are seeking to recruit a School Chaplain. For further details visit the school website <https://www.st-albans.suffolk.sch.uk/vacancies> **Firework Display** – at St. Albans from 6pm to 8pm on 3rd November. For further details see the poster at the back of the Church. Tickets £5 adult £3 child £15 family can be purchased from Parentmail or by emailing sarahmetcalfe@gmail.com


News for St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Parish


Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -29th October 2023: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year A Services during the coming week – Twenty-ninth Week of the Year, Year I


Saturday 28 th October	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of 29 th Sunday, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: I Suttle, Offertory: Hennon Family
Sunday 29 th October	8:00 am	Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family. Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Moore Family, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, offered for the Kelly Family. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Minister: W Lobo
<i>Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, prepared & served by Theresa & Ascension</i>		
Monday 30 th October	Feria	No Mass Today
Tuesday 31 st October	Feria	10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family
Wednesday 1 st November	All Saints Day – Holy Day of Obligation	10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of Winifred Flory (Foundation Mass) 7:00 pm Holy Mass, offered for the people of the parish
Thursday 2 nd November	The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Pope's intention. 7:00 pm Holy Mass, offered for All the Holy Souls
Friday 3 rd November	Feria	10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of Fr Martin Orme RIP followed by Exposition and a Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Saturday 4 th November	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time, offered for Fiorenzina Paoletti.


The Solemnity of All Saints: Wednesday of this week is the Solemnity of All Saints, and a Holy Day of Obligation on which all Catholics are obliged to attend Mass. The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, previously known as All Souls Day, will be celebrated on Thursday 2nd November. On both these days, there will be Mass in the morning at 10:00 am and again in the evening at 7:00 pm. Although Thursday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, you are all warmly encouraged to come to Mass on Thursday to pray especially for your departed dear ones.

The parish community as a whole will pray for the departed souls from our parish throughout the month of November. If you have anyone you would like to be remembered especially, then please write his or her name in the Book of Remembrance at the back of church. There are also envelopes in the church porch to request a Mass to be offered for the dead.

First Holy Communion 2024: Registration forms for the 2024 First Holy Communion program are available at the back of church and on the parish web site – the QR code will take you directly there. Please note that parents of First Holy Communion candidates are required to themselves attend the Alpha course which commences 15th November - see further details below. Completed forms should be returned to Fr Luke or Fr Paul no later than 8th November. 


Confirmation 2024: Candidates wishing to be confirmed in 2024 must register before, or at, the first session which will take place at St Mark's next Saturday, 4th November, at 11:00 am. Registration forms can be found in the church porch or can be downloaded from the parish web site – the QR code will take you straight to the form. 

The Alpha Course: Alpha is an 11 week course providing an opportunity to explore the Christian faith, in a friendly, open and informal environment. Alpha is proven to awaken faith in lapsed Catholics, gives faithful Catholics a path and a language to fulfil their baptismal call to evangelise and is a proven method of introducing people to a living relationship with Jesus Christ. This year, attending the Alpha course is compulsory for parents of the 2024 Holy Communion children and for those preparing to be received into the Church at Easter, but it is open to all parishioners. The 90 minute weekly sessions start 15th November and will be held on Wednesdays at 12:30 at St Mary Magdalens and include a light lunch and at St Marks they will start at 7:30 pm and include a cooked meal. Registration forms are available at the back of church and on the parish web site - the QR code takes you straight to the form. Closing date for registration is 8th November. 

Parish 150 Club: The October prize draw of the parish 150 Club will be made in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass on Sunday 29th October. There is plenty of room for new subscribers – why not sign up today? Application forms are available in the church porch or, even quicker, you can sign up on-line on the parish web site – just scan the QR code. 

Social Committee: There will be a meeting of the social committee at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 31st October in the Garden Room.

Hall Working Party: A further working party is needed to help clean the inside of the church hall. This will take place on Saturday 11th November starting at 9:00 am. Refreshments will be provided.

Catholic East Anglia: The November edition of *Catholic East Anglia*, the free Diocesan newspaper, is out now - please take a copy from the church porch. This edition includes a report on Bishop Peter's meeting with Pope Francis in Rome in September and both pictures and story as pupils from all 28 Catholic schools across East Anglia came together for a special Mass in Norwich. The newspaper is also available to read on-line via the parish web site – just scan the QR code to take you straight to it. 

Free to a Good Home: If anybody has use for some 1500mm (5 ft) fluorescent light fittings complete with tube and diffuser, there are some available free of charge. These are rather dusty, but otherwise in good working order and would suit perhaps a garage or a shed. These are offered on a first come - first served basis without warranty. If you interested, please email contact@marymagdalens.org and collection can be arranged.

Night of Light: This Sunday 29th October, there will be a celebration for the Feast of All Saints. The *Night of Light* celebration will be held at St Mark's church in Hawthorne Drive from 4 to 6 pm. It is open to all primary school age children and parental participation is encouraged. There will be fun for all the family including pumpkin carving, games, and prizes, with sweets and snacks available too. Come along dressed as a superhero, a saint or another inspirational figure. There is no charge for this event.

The Sick of the Parish: We ask your prayers for Patrick Doran, Ida James 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, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for George Laurencin (2003), Terrence Ferris (1975), Frederick Peck (1972), Stanley Manthorpe (1979), Francis McMahon (2003), Julienne May (2020), Frank Sutton (2022), Louise Scott (1962), Doris Parker (1981), Robin Haywood-Framer (1993), Patrick Walmsley-Cotham (1996), Jessie Maksymiow (2006), Teresa Schofield (2016), Mabel Youngman (197), Evelyn Murray (1981), Mary Ward (1991), Winifred Flory (1997), Jean Hynes (2011), Alfred Oxley (2020), John Cuffe (1989 and Corrado Giudicianni (2011) 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.