



# PARISH NEWSLETTER



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*The Holy Year: Jubilee 2025 "Called to be pilgrims of hope"*



## 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 Pat West available  
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**Parish Safeguarding Rep:**  
**Mrs Joanna McCall**  
psr@stmarksparish.org.uk

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

**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 am Mass every  
Sunday



## ST MARY MAGDALEN

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**Parish Priest:**  
Fr Luke Goymour VF

**Assistant Priest:**  
Fr Paul Chanh  
E paulchanh@gmail.com

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

**Parish School:**  
St Pancras Catholic Primary  
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**Headteacher:** Jo Berry and  
Ross McGill  
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ens.org

**Confession:**  
Before Weekday Mass at  
request

**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:**  
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 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025**

# June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

## News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

| Responsorial Psalm – <b>The Lord is king most high above all the earth</b> |  |
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| 7 <sup>th</sup> week of Easter – Year C                                    |  |
| MASS & PRAYER TIMES:   |  |
| <b>SATURDAY</b><br>31/5/25   | <b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter<br>Offered For: The People of the Parish  |
| <b>SUNDAY</b><br>1/6/25  | <b>09:00 Holy Family</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter<br>Offered For: Bryan Ochang RIP<br><b>11:00 St Mark's</b><br>Offered For: James Crowe RIP   |
| <b>TUESDAY</b><br>3/6/25   | <b>10:00 Holy Family</b> SS. Charles Lwanga & Comps<br>Offered For: Christopher & Edwina RIP   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b><br>4/6/25   | <b>Mass at earlier time of 9 am (Deanery Meeting Today)</b><br>*9 am*  |
| <b>THURSDAY</b><br>5/6/25  | <b>NO MASS at St. Mark's</b> St. Boniface<br>10:00 at St. Mary Magdalens   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b><br>6/6/25  | <b>No Lunchtime Mass</b><br><b>6pm Mass and special devotional programme with Fr Chris Alar, MIC</b>   |
| <b>SATURDAY</b><br>7/6/25  | <b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Pentecost Sunday<br>Offered For: The People of the Parish  |
| <b>SUNDAY</b><br>8/6/25  | <b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Pentecost Sunday<br>Offered For: James Lodge RIP<br><b>11:00 St Mark's</b><br>Offered For: David Bowers & William Cookson RIP |

### 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**

**There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection after all Masses this weekend for The Catholic Communication**

**NEW TO THE PARISH or not yet registered? –** Please send an email to the Parish Office  
[office@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarksparish.org.uk)

Information sheets on the Parish requirements for **BAPTISM, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION** are available on the table at the back of the Church at St Mark's.

**FIND - The** donation box is still under the table at the back of the Church' **They need:** Fresh fruit, Tinned carrots and sweetcorn, Pot noodles sugar, squash, UHT milk, treats, biscuits and jam.

**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)



**The draw was held last Sunday and the winning numbers are: 98 - £91.85, 117 - £50.10, 69 - £25.05**  
**A cheque was also presented to Father Luke for £1002.00.**

**Welcoming our parishioners at Mass** - is a very important ministry and plays a crucial role at church by creating a warm and inviting atmosphere for both new visitors and regular members, setting the tone for the worship experience and making people feel welcomed and valued, often contributing significantly to a positive first impression of the church community. We are wanting to increase the number of people that welcome at Mass, both when they arrive and when they leave. If you are interested in this important ministry as an individual or as a family group, then please do get in touch with Joanna McCall at [joanna@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:joanna@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**The Parish Family BBQ** - was much enjoyed by everyone who attended. There were young families with babies. Lots of Children and a good number from the older members of the Parish. Ages ranged from a few months to over 80. Fr. Luke and his happy band of helpers did a good job of not burning the sausages too much and the sun shined on us all. If you didn't make it this year be sure to come next year **we missed you.**

**SVP –** The next meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be held in the Parish Hall at 10am Thursday 5th June. Everyone is welcome. To find out more about the work they do visit their website at <https://svp.org.uk>

**GARDENING –** Help is needed to maintain the Parish garden. If you have time to spare, even a little (it can be on any day or time to suit you) please speak to Jenny Newing or email her on [jennienewing221@gmail.com](mailto:jennienewing221@gmail.com)

**WORKING PARTY** – Planned for 5<sup>th</sup> July to clear the land at the side of the Parish Hall so that we can open the doors for the children to play out there. Initially we aim to cut back the brambles, trim down the grass and weeds, and generally make it safe for the children. If you can help please send an email to the Parish Office [office@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarksparish.org.uk)

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**Please pray for our Confirmation candidates** who will be confirmed at **7pm on Thursday at St Pancras** by Bishop Peter, all are invited to come.

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## News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

**Seventh Sunday of Easter: World Communications Day – 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C.  
Services during the coming week – The Seventh Week of Easter, Liturgical Year I**

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| Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup><br>June    | 8:00 am                              | Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Charles Vieira RIP. Reader: A Smith, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Minister: K Cork.  |
|                                   | 10:00 am                             | Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: A James, Offertory: M Geisel/M Mayhew, Eucharistic Ministers: J Poll, M Long, W Lobo  |
|                                   | 12 noon                              | Holy Mass, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.<br><i>Please join us in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass for tea and coffee, served this week by Julie &amp; Val</i> |
| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>June    | Easter Feria                         | <b>No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church</b>   |
| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>June   | Saints Charles Lwanga and Companions | 10:00 am Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira Family, living and dead.   |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup><br>June | Easter Feria                         | <b>No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church</b><br>7:30 pm Alpha Course session 5 in St Mark's church hall.   |
| Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup><br>June  | St Boniface                          | 10:00 am Holy Mass.<br>7:15 pm Bible study group meets in the Garden Room.  |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup><br>June    | Easter Feria                         | 10:00 am Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.  |
| Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup><br>June  | 10:00 am                             | Holy Mass, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.  |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup><br>June    | 8:00 am                              | <b>Pentecost Sunday</b><br>Holy Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Angelo and Fiorenzina Paoletti RIP.<br>Reader: C Riches, Offertory: Cork Family, Eucharistic Minister: K Cork.      |
|                                   | 10:00 am                             | Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Ministers: J Poll, W Lobo, T Snell  |

**World Communications Day:** Today 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 before he died, issued a message for world communications day which 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 this weekend. 

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**Catholic East Anglia:** The June edition of Catholic East Anglia, the free Diocesan newspaper, is now published and you can collect a copy from the church porch or alternatively, scan the QR code and you can read the issue online on the parish web site. The edition includes news of Pope Leo XIV alongside a statement from Bishop Peter Collins. Also included is a report on the Requiem Mass for Pope Francis at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist.

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**Alpha Course:** The Alpha course resumes this week after the half term holiday break. Session 5 of the course, entitled *Why and How Do I Pray?*, will be held in St Mark's church hall, 180 Hawthorn Drive, Ipswich, IP2 0QQ starting at 7:30 in the evening of Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

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**Wednesday of this Week:** Weekday Mass attendees please note there will be no Mass this Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, as Fr Paul will be away attending a deanery meeting.

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**Thursday of this Week:** On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June, we welcome the children of St Pancras school some of whom will be attending the first of the Year Group Masses that are being reintroduced. From this week, each Thursday one of the St Pancras Year Groups will be attending the 10:00 Mass. It would be good to see as many parishioners as possible present to welcome them and offer them support and example.

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**SVP Meeting:** Also on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June, at 10:00 am in St Mark's church hall, there is a meeting of the recently formed St Vincent de Paul group. This is open to anybody who is interested not necessarily in getting involved, but in finding out more about the activities and aims of this group.

**St Mary Magdalen 150 Club:** The combined April and May prize draws were made last Sunday in the Garden Room. The April winners were Miss S Fosker, Mrs C Long, Mr A Ford and Mrs P Young. The May winners were Mrs J Barredo, Mr R Hennon, Mr N Fox and Mrs A Bardwell. Full details of the winners and prizes can be found on the porch notice board and also on the parish web site. As a result of a number of subscribers who have, for one reason or another, decided not to renew their membership this year, membership stands at 23 less than 31<sup>st</sup> March when the previous year ended, so there is plenty of room for new members. Application forms are available in the church porch and also online on the parish website – the QR code will take you to the correct page. Please do sign up and help support your parish in this way.



**Bible Study Group:** After missing last week due to the clash with Ascension Day, the Bible Study Group will meet this week on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7:15 in the Garden Room.

**Appeal for Help:** We have been approached by a lady who has moved into the area from London and is living locally. She has mobility issues, although she is not a wheelchair user, but cannot walk to church. She would love to be able to join us on a regular basis for Sunday Mass. Could anybody provide a regular short distance lift from Wesley Way, just off Bramford Road, to church and return each week? If you can help please speak to Michael Long or email [contact@marymagdalens.org](mailto:contact@marymagdalens.org).

**Ipswich Polish Community:** The Ipswich Polish community will be celebrating an additional weekly Mass in St Mary Magdalen church. Starting next Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May, a regular Saturday evening anticipatory Mass will be held at 6:00 pm in addition to the current Sunday noon Mass.

**Fr Chris Alar:** The renowned Marian Father of the Immaculate Conception, Fr Chris Alar, will be visiting Ipswich next Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and in the evening at St Marks there will be a special Mass at 6:00 pm followed a chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 7:00 pm and a talk on Our Lady of Ipswich at 7:30 pm. Refreshments will be available after the talk and there will be a book signing opportunity. All are welcome.

**New Readers:** Would you like to join our team of readers – to proclaim God’s Word at Mass and take a fuller part in the liturgy? There will be a training and practice session for new readers on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June starting at 10:30 in the church. Anyone who wants to read will get a chance to try without the pressure of a congregation present. If you are interested please turn up on the day, or for more information speak to Martin Pakes or email him – [readers@marymagdalens.org](mailto:readers@marymagdalens.org).

**The Sick of the Parish:** We ask your continuing prayers for 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 Alfred Morgan (1979), Cecil Armes (1999), Patrick Shanahan (2010), Fernando Bersanetti (1991), Edward Boyle (1999), John "Jack" Smith (2002), Thomas Dee (2023), Mary Halls (1994), Sarah Malone (2009), David Murphy (1982), Patrick Keilly (1983), Peter Kavanagh (2002) and Samuel Chaisty (2005) 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.*

MASS, DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET &  
TALK ON OUR LADY OF IPSWICH  
WITH FR CHRIS ALAR, MIC  
PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR OF THE MARIAN  
FATHERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
AT THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY,  
STOCKBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025

6 PM - 10 PM

ST MARK'S RC CHURCH  
180 HAWTHORN DRIVE  
IPSWICH  
SUFFOLK  
IP2 0QQ

**Devotional Programme:**

6.00pm - Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Celebrant & Homilist, Fr Chris Alar. Concelebrant, Fr Luke Goymour

7.00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet, led by Fr Chris Alar

7.30pm - Talk: Our Lady of Ipswich, Fr Chris Alar

9.00pm - Refreshments & Book Signing Opportunity

10.00pm - Depart

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# THE CREED IN CONVERSATION

*A Journey into the Heart of Faith*



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A joint conversation between  
Anglicans and Catholics in Ipswich.

With Rev Tom Mumford Vicar of Ipswich Minister and  
Fr Luke Goymour, Catholic Rural Dean of Ipswich.

Part 1: Sat 14th June at 7pm, at St Mark's Catholic Church,  
IP2 0QQ, Reflection followed by Round table and Q&A  
discussion with Fr Luke and Rev Tom, followed by compline.

Part 2: Sunday 15th June at Ipswich Minister, St Mary Le Tower,  
IP1 3BE Evensong at 3:30 followed by Round table and Q&A  
with Rev Tom and Fr Luke with wine nibbles afterwards.

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