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St Mark's School
Headteacher:
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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 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
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
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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 12th May 2024.

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – The Lord Has set his sway in heaven.		
7th week of Easter – Year B		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
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, Jennife r& Jeremy Moss RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Lynn Sellers RIP	7th Sunday of Easter 18:30 Praise & Worship
TUESDAY 14/5/24	10:00 Holy Family Offered For Anthony Bear RIP	St. Matthias
WEDNESDAY 15/5/24	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Mary Chennels RIP	Easter Feria
THURSDAY 16/5/24	NO MASS at St. Mark's 10:00 at St. Mary Magdalens	Easter Feria
FRIDAY 17/5/24	12:15 St. Mark's Offered For: John & Elsey Elanjikkal	Easter Feria
SATURDAY 18/5/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass 10 am Offered For: The People of the Parish	Pentecost
SUNDAY 19/5/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Mandy He Intentions 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Julia Quigley RIP	Pentecost

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

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

**The Parish Secretary is
on holiday from 10th to
26th June. Emails to the
office address will not be
answered during that
time. If it is urgent
please contact Fr. Luke**

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 began last Wednesday, 8th at St. Mark's. Signing up for this course closed on Sunday 5th May. If you missed this one look out for the next one which is planned for the autumn. To find out more visit 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.**

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



The Chosen: Cinematic screening of this award-winning series begins Saturday Nights in June at St Mary Magdalens Church Hall. All welcome. See back page for more information.

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.

Please pray for the repose of the soul's of Magaret Congdon, mother of Clare Fox. **Betty Stubbs** and **Pauline Harris**. Pauline's funeral will take place at St. Mark's on 21st May and Betty's Funeral will take place on Thursday 30th May at Holy Family.

Suffolk Refugee Support - are looking for an Advice Service Manager to be responsible for leading our advice team in delivering a high-quality service. The successful candidate should have an in-depth understanding of refugee and asylum seeker support needs. **Hours:** 35 hours per week (full time) **Salary:** £32,837 per annum **Deadline:** 29th May at 12 noon. **Interview date 6th June** <https://suffolkrefugee.org.uk/current-vacancies/>

THE COMMUNITY OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM OPEN GARDENS -You are warmly invited to the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham's Convent in Dereham for our annual open garden and house event! Join us on **27th May** at House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor (NR20 4AQ for Sat Navs) between **midday and 5pm**. Teas, coffees, cream teas and a variety of homemade cakes will be on offer for a suggested donation of **£5.00**. Please also feel free to bring a picnic lunch. Games for children (and the young at heart!) provided along with limited indoor seating. All ages welcome! Please note that, unfortunately, we do not have disabled access at this time and the ground is uneven in places. Email office@walsinghamcommunity.org or call the sisters on **01362 692574** for further information. We look forward to welcoming you!

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

News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

Seventh Sunday of Easter – 12th May 2024: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year B.		
World Communications Day		
Services during the coming week – Seventh Week of Easter, Year II		
Saturday 11 th May	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Confessions 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 10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: A Smith, Eucharistic Minister: C Moore. Holy Mass. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Minister: M Long.
<i>Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, this week served by Dorothy & Rosemary</i>		
Monday 13 th May	Easter Feria	No Mass Today
Tuesday 14 th May	St Matthias 10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira family, living and dead.
Wednesday 15 th May	Easter Feria 12 noon	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Florence Dooley RIP.
Thursday 16 th May	Easter Feria 10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Daniel Anjorin RIP.
Friday 17 th May	Easter Feria 10:00 am	Holy Mass open intention, followed by Exposition, a chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 18 th May	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass of Pentecost Sunday, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family.
Sunday 19 th May	8:00 am 10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: C Riches, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary. Holy Mass. Reader: A James, Offertory: M Mayhew/M Geisel, Eucharistic Minister: J Poll.

Today's Gospel: Today's Gospel reading is taken from St John's Gospel and comes at the conclusion of Jesus' farewell discourse delivered to the disciples at the Last Supper. This entire chapter is a prayer by Jesus, commending himself to the Father and expressing his care and concern for his disciples and at the end of this prayer, Jesus and his disciples depart for the garden, and Jesus is arrested. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus has been presented as the one who pre-existed with the Father and as the one sent by the Father to do his work on earth. In today's reading, we hear Jesus

include all his disciples in this union with the Father. We are reminded that Christ is the source of Christian unity. Through Christ, we are united with one another and with God Our Father. In Jesus' presence, his disciples have been protected from Satan and now that Jesus is returning to the Father, he prays that his disciples will continue to be protected from the evil one. We see in this chapter the distinction found in John's Gospel between the world and the disciples. The disciples are in the world, but they do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. We hear echoes of John's theme that salvation is worked out through the cosmic battle between light and darkness. The world, according to John, prefers the darkness, yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness. Reading this prayer of Jesus during the Easter Season, through the lens of his Resurrection, we know that the light of Christ has overcome the darkness of sin and death in our world. In the opening line of this prayer, we hear Jesus pray that his disciples will be kept in the name that he was given by God. We know that the salvation is given to us in the name of Jesus, and that his name - "God saves" - announces his mission on our behalf. *Courtesy Loyola Press.*

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 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 this weekend.



The Chosen: There will soon be special screening of the acclaimed series *The Chosen*, a groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ (played by Jonathan Roumie), seen through the eyes of those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, the seven-season series shares an authentic and intimate look at Jesus' revolutionary life and teachings. We are starting screenings in the parish hall on Saturdays 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of June starting at 7:00 pm – please arrive a little earlier to take your seats. The Parish has a license for a special screening of this award-winning drama about Jesus and the disciples, and there will be two episodes screened each week with a tea and coffee break in between. We want as many people to come as possible to see this amazing production – there is no charge and we hope you will find the series educational and thought provoking, as well as increasing your understanding of the life and times of Jesus Christ. It is highly recommended so why not come along and see for yourself?

Alpha Course: A new Alpha course continues this week with session two of eleven taking place in St Marks Church Hall on Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm. Dates for the remainder of this course can be found on the parish web site.

First Holy Communion 2024: The next session for this year's First Holy Communion candidates will be on Friday 17th May, at 6:00 pm at St Mark's, and on Saturday 18th May at 9:30 am at St Mary Magdalen's.

Parish 150 Club: This weekend there will be an appeal at each Mass on behalf of the parish 150 Club. Since the end of the previous year in March, there are so far nearly 50 fewer paid up subscriptions. There are many newcomers to the parish, and it is hoped this appeal will explain to them what the Club is about and hopefully motivate them to sign up. The delayed April prize draw will be combined with the May prize draw with both being made in The Garden Room after 10:00 Mass on Sunday 26th May. If you would like to join the 1450 Club, 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.

Hall Improvement Project: Work started this week on fitting replacement windows in the church hall. Unfortunately the installers were unable to complete all the work and will need to return to finalise the installation. But as can already be seen from the hall car park, the difference between the original windows and the new replacements is amazing and, once all work is complete, will greatly enhance the appearance and the thermal efficiency of the hall, as well as removing a major maintenance overhead.

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

Reginald Park (1989), Frank Gay (1972), John Smith (2007), Clare Jermy (1980), Stanley Poll (1993), Terence Sparkes (1997), Florence Dooley (1975), Philip Ford (1966), Patrick Kiely and John Faure (2017) 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.

TONIGHT!!! Second Sunday Praise and Worship, 6:30 PM at St Mark's Evening Prayer, Contemporary Music and Prayers for healing, tea and coffee afterwards.

Next Saturday Retreat Day at St Mark's for Pentecost 10am concluding with 5:30 pm Mass – All Welcome see not inside newsletter for more info.