

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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



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WITH HOLY FAMILY BRANTHAM

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Eucharistic Adoration:

St Mark's 
Wed & Thurs 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Friday 11:40 – 12:00 pm
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

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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
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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 14th September 2025

News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

This Newsletter covers weekend Masses from 13th September until 28th September. There will be no weekday Masses during that time.
There will be a visiting Priest the weekend of 20th September. Fr. Luke will return for Masses on 24th and 26th September.

MASS & PRAYER TIMES:

SATURDAY 13/09/2025	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Pat West	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
SUNDAY 14/09/2025	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Beryl Edwards RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: People of the Parish	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Welcome To	Fr. Peter Brett	
Wed 24th	9:30 am Mass	Solemnity of Our Lady Of Walsingham
Friday 26th	12:15 Mass at St Marks	
SATURDAY 20/09/2025	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Priest's intentions	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 21/09/2025	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Mr & Mrs David Ford 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: People of the Parish	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Welcome Back	Fr. Luke	
SATURDAY 27/09/2025	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Pat West	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 28/09/2025	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: James & Gemma 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: People of the Parish	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 2nd collection after mass on 5th October In Aid of CAFOD Harvest Fest Day 3rd Envelopes are

NEW TO THE PARISH or not yet registered?

Please send an email to the Parish Office
office@stmarksparish.org.uk

After mass at all 3 churches we have tea, coffee and biscuits. If you could join us that would be wonderful! We can tell you more about the parish.

ChurchSuite Session – Sunday 21st September After the 11am Mass, there will be a ChurchSuite session in the parish. This is an important opportunity for everyone to make sure their details are up to date and complete in our parish database. Having accurate information allows the parish priest and pastoral team to care for our community more effectively, keep in touch, and support you and your family. Whether you need help signing up, setting things up, or would just like a demonstration of how it works, please come along. Bring your phone or device so we can guide you through it and ensure everything is in place.

Spiritual Pilgrim Cards. There are cards at the back of all the churches, The pilgrims from our parish departs for Medjugorje on the 16th September and are happy to take your intentions with them, so that you can share in our pilgrimage. Please fill in your card(s) and leave them in the box ready for collection.

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



The Alpha Course. Begins again on Wednesday November 12th and runs for 11 sessions, plus all day Saturday 17th January, finishing on 11th February with a celebration meal.

- 12.30 - 2pm in the Garden Room at St. Mary Magdalen with a light lunch
- 7.30 - 9pm in the Church Hall at St. Mark's with a hot meal

Alpha is a great opportunity to explore the basics of the Christian faith together, in a warm and welcoming environment. It's open to everyone, no matter your background or beliefs and it's free. You'll find invitation cards at the back of each church that you can take to give away which has the QR code for signing up on the St Mark's website. Details of the dates and sessions are on the website. The course is run during term time only.



Social Media - we will stop posting in the St Marks Parishes closed group on facebook from October and will move posts to an open group. This will help us to share activities with the wider community. You can help by liking and sharing our posts, so we get as many people as possible to know what we are up to. Please search for **St Marks RC Church Ipswich** for the new page. If you have anything St Marks or Holy Family related that you would like to share then please send it to joanna@stmarksparish.org.

S Mark's School Curious Cubs, our toddler group organised by the church at school, will be restarting on Monday 8th September! This group is designed to provide a fun, supportive environment for our younger learners and their families. It will offer a range of activities focused on early development and socialisation. The sessions will take place from Monday 8th September between 9 and 10.30am at St Mark's School. For more information or to sign up, please contact the school office.

Harvest supper/ half term meal 18th October please save the date! This will be a community event. We hope you and your families will come along and share a meal with everyone. More details to follow in the next newsletter,

St Vincent De Paul Society – If you are interested in helping to turn concern into action, the next meeting is at St Mark's Church Hall on Wednesday 17 September at 10am.

News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross – 14th September, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C. Services during the coming week – The Twenty-fourth Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I

Sunday 14 th September	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: C Riches, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Ministers: M Geisel, W Lobo, T Snell.
	12 noon	Holy Mass, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
<i>Please join us in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass for tea and coffee, served this week by Dorothy & Louise</i>		
Monday 15 th September		Our Lady of Sorrows No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church
Tuesday 16 th September	10:00 am	Saints Cornelius and Cyprian Holy Mass.
Wednesday 17 th September	12 noon	Feria Holy Mass.
Thursday 18 th September	10:00 am 7:15 pm	Feria Holy Mass Bible Study Group in the Garden Room.
Friday 19 th September	10:00 am	Feria Holy Mass followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 20 th September	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 21 st September	8:00 am 10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: F Vieira, Offertory: Moore Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore Holy Mass offered in thanksgiving for the life of Heather Ann Poll RIP. Reader: A James, Offertory: M Mayhew/M Geisel, Eucharistic Ministers: W Lobo, T Snell, J Poll.
<i>Please join us in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass for tea and coffee, served this week by Julie & Nigel</i>		
Monday 22 nd September		The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church
Tuesday 23 rd September	10:00 am	Feria Holy Mass.
Wednesday 24 th September	12 noon	Feria Holy Mass.
Thursday 25 th September	10:00 am 7:15 pm	Holy Mass - full school Mass for the pupils of St Pancras School Bible Study Group in the Garden Room.
Friday 26 th September	10:00 am	Feria Holy Mass followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 27 th September	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 28 th September	8:00 am 10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Cork Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore Holy Mass. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Ministers: T Snell, M Long, J Poll

Please Note: The newsletter this week covers two Sundays – 14th and 21st September, as Fr Luke is away on pilgrimage to Medjugorje for a week from Tuesday 16th.

Bible Study Group: The Bible Study Group meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm in the Garden Room. Any persons wishing to join the group will be welcome at any time, - just come along on Thursday evening and bring your Bible – there are spares if you do not have one or forget to bring it.

Catholic East Anglia: The September edition of Catholic East Anglia, the Diocesan newspaper, is now available. You can find copies in the church porch. Amongst other things, this edition includes news of the installation of two new Canons, the ordination of two new Deacons and a report on the youth pilgrimage to Rome. These are free – please do take a copy home with you and catch up on the various news and events from around the Diocese of East Anglia. You can also read this edition on-line on the parish web site. The QR code will take you directly to it.



Monica Ogden RIP: The Requiem Mass for Monica will be held in St Mary Magdalen church on Friday 3rd October at 11:00 am and will be followed by a service at the Ipswich Crematorium at 12:45. The family has requested no flowers, but has invited donations to be made instead to the Royal British Legion in Monica's memory.

Alpha Course: A new Alpha course will begin later in the year, on Wednesday 12th November. It is planned to follow previous formats with a session at 12:30 lunchtime in the Garden Room at St Mary Magdalen church repeated in the evening at 7:30 pm at St Mark's. If you have any comments, feedback or suggestions in regard to the running of the Alpha courses, or wish to register your interest in a place for the next one, you can email your details to contact@marymagdalens.org.

St Mary Magdalen 150 Club: The August Prize Draw was made Sunday 7th September. Congratulations to our winners Mrs P Tallent, Mr P Boast, Mrs M Jermy and Mr & Mrs M Pakes. The September draw, including the second quarter bonus prizes, will be made on Sunday 28th September in the garden Room after the 10:00 Mass.

Ladies Tea 'n' Chat: Friday 26th September, being the last Friday of the month, will see the ladies meeting in the Garden Room at 2:30 pm for their monthly social gathering over a cup of tea. This is open to all – just turn up on the day to engage in stimulating social discourse over a cup of tea usually accompanied by cake!

Fr Paul's Retirement: If you would like to contribute to Fr Paul's leaving gift please make an online payment to the parish account and use the reference "Fr Paul" or put any cash offering in one of the pink "Special Collection" envelopes which can be found on the table in the Narthex. If you normally use Giftaid envelopes then please use a pink Special Collection envelope at the rear of your box. If you are signed up for Giftaid and normally pay by bank transfer but would like to make a cash donation then please use a pink envelope from the Narthex and write your name underneath the flap. This will enable the parish to claim tax back on your donation. There is also a card for Fr Paul circulating which you are invited to sign.

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 Hilda Moss (1961), Jennifer Bishop (1972), Mary Bulbeck (1994), James "Dan" Cleary (1988), Maria Wojciechowski (1999), Michael Hennessy (2004), Jean Orme (2021), Sarah Quinn (1962), James Wright (1994), Bertie Armes (1988), John Murphy (2018), Mary "Barbara" Moss (2009), Paul Constable (1992), Fr Anthony Sketch, former parish priest (2012), Wolfgang Barc (1977), Cecelia Allpress (2006), Alison Clarke (2010) Emilia Ciufu (2019) 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.

Fr Paul's Retirement

Fr Paul will be leaving us at the end of September. **On Sat 27th September at 12 noon we will celebrate a leaving Mass together at St Mary Magdalen Church** followed by a BBQ and bring and share celebration in the garden room (and garden weather permitting – don't worry we have a marquee!)

Sun 28th September will be Fr Paul's last Sunday with us. If you would like to contribute to Fr Paul's leaving gift please make a bank transfer and reference: "Fr Paul" or put an offering in the collection in an envelope labelled Fr Paul.

The first weekend of October we will introduce the new Mass schedule for our three Churches, which will be communicated to everyone as soon as it has been approved at Diocesan level.