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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



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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 17th November 2024.

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – Preserve me God, I take refuge in you.		
33rd Week in Ordinary Time – Year B		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
SATURDAY 16/11/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 17/11/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Alexander Petrov RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Georgie & Annie George RIP	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
TUESDAY 19/11/24	10:00 Holy Family Offered For: Re. Fr. Peter Brett	Feria
WEDNESDAY 20/11/24	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Lorna Cooper	St. Edmund
THURSDAY 21/11/24	NO MASS at St. Mark's 10:00 at St. Mary Magdalens	The Presentation of the B.V. Mary
FRIDAY 22/11/24	12:15 pm St. Mark's Offered For: Holy Souls	St. Cecilia
SATURDAY 23/11/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish	Feast of Christ the King
SUNDAY 24/11/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Rev. Fr. Pat Jones RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Anne Grover RIP	Feast of Christ the King

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

**2nd Collection after
all Masses next
weekend for the
Diocesan Youth
Service**

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weekend for
Christmas Flowers
for the Church**

Kim Leadbeater MP is introducing a bill to introduce assisted suicide, which will be voted on by MPs on the 29 November. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. Please contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk or write to him/her at **House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA**

Christmas Nativity Festival – There will be a meeting for anyone who can help after the 11am Mass this Sunday 17th November - In order to make this a success we need lots of volunteers please. To exhibit the scenes on Friday 13 December after 12:15 mass, Friday evening and Saturday morning. We also need helpers to: - sell raffle tickets in St Mark's and Holy Family, collect and return Nativity scenes from Holy Family. Sell refreshments and cakes. If you cannot help, we would appreciate any contributions of prizes/presents for the children and cakes, jams and preserves.

The festival will take place on Saturday 14 December from 10-1pm. We invite you to share your nativity scene with a note on its history, it could be new, passed down through the family and represent your culture. We want to celebrate the Christmas story with you. Please bring them to church from 1st December, please also make sure to include your name and contact details. They can be collected from Sunday 15 December.

Pilgrimage to Rome to celebrate the Jubilee of Youth - As part of the Jubilee 2025, the Diocese will be leading a pilgrimage to Rome, joining with thousands of young people from all over the world. If you will be age 16 – 30 next summer 2025. See www.rcdea.org.uk/youth for more details.

Musicians and Singers: Would you like to be involved in building a music ministry at St Mark's, to praise God with both traditional hymns and contemporary music? This is an important part of our weekly liturgy, so if you play any instrument or sing or have any other involvement in music please do get in touch: simon@stmarksparish.org.uk

SVP – A small but enthusiastic group met at St. Mark's last Thursday evening. If you are interested in joining this group, which is being formed to cover the whole of Ipswich, please e-mail the Parish Office.

100 CLUB – This club raises funds for the Parish and hold a monthly prize draw. 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



For Parents who have already enrolled their Children for First Holy Communion and Alpha: a meeting explaining how the preparation for First Holy Communion will take place is at St Mark's after the 11am Mass on Sunday 1st December 12:15 – 12:45

Gift Aid - A claim for April 2023-24 Gift Aid will be made shortly, it is essential all donors were paying UK income or Capital Gains Tax in an amount equal to the claim. Unless I am informed to the contrary I'll be claiming tax on your behalf. Please advise of any changes to your name, address or postcode to ensure the Diocese records are correct, there is no need for a new GAD to be completed. If you would like gift aid envelopes, please email sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk

2025 Medjugorje Parish Pilgrimage dates 16th to 23rd September. £829.00 when sharing a room. £100 discount if you book and pay before 15th November. It may be possible to get the discount until 30th November. For further details contact chrismceweneb@gmail.com

Advent Jesse Tree Activity for children and families This Advent, we're excited to offer a family-friendly activity inspired by the popular Jesse Tree tradition. Each day, we'll send out a Bible reading along with a small coloring piece that can be cut out and hung on a tree. To receive these daily readings and coloring sheets, please make sure you're signed up on ChurchSuite!

Sunday Advent Kids Craft Sessions To kick off each week of Advent, we'll hold a half-hour craft and learning session after the 11 am Mass at St. Mark's every Sunday. These sessions are for children to help them learn about Advent and get ready for the week's Jesse Tree resources. Whether you're a family or a parishioner interested in these activities, please sign up on ChurchSuite to receive the materials and updates. We look forward to journeying through Advent together!

Red Wednesday: This Wednesday we pray for persecuted Christians across the Globe. Wear something red in solidarity with those who are suffering and shedding their blood for Jesus Christ.

Vacancies at Catholic Schools - CEO St John the Baptist CMAT. Trust Clark St John the Baptist CMAT Headteacher at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, Peterborough
Please see website for more details: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/>

News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 17th November 2024 - Readings: Liturgical Year B. Services during the coming week – Thirty-third Week of the Year, Liturgical Year II

Saturday 16 th November	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, offered for Angelo & Fiorenzina Paoletti. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family
Sunday 17 th November	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP Reader: F Vieira, Eucharistic Minister: C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Minister: W Lobo
<i>Please join us in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass for tea and coffee, prepared and served by Julie & Nigel</i>		
Monday 18 th November	Feria	No Mass Today
Tuesday 19 th November	Feria	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, offered for all members of the Vieira Family, living and dead.
Wednesday 20 th November	St Edmund	
	12 noon	Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of John Dooley RIP.
Thursday 21 st November	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP.
Friday 22 nd November	St Cecilia	
	10:00 am	Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of Angela Walmesley-Cotham RIP (Foundation Mass).
Saturday 23 rd November	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ – King of the Universe, offered for the people of the parish Reader: I Suttle, Offertory: Hennon Family
Sunday 24 th November	8:00 am	Holy Mass, Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Minister: J Poll

Today's Gospel: This Sunday, as we approach the end of the Church's year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day

of judgment. In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time. Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

Courtesy Loyola Press

The Blessing of Graves: The traditional blessing of graves at the Ipswich cemetery will this year take place this Sunday, 17th November, at 2:30pm. We will gather at the Lawn Cemetery gate, on the right, just inside the Colchester Road entrance, for an introductory prayer, after which, priests will be available to accompany parishioners to individual graves to bless them.

The Month of the Holy Souls: Once again this year, there is a memorial book on the table at the back of the church in which you can record the names of your departed loved ones who will be prayed for especially during Masses throughout November – the month of the Holy Souls.

Church Flowers: This weekend, there will be a second collection taken at each Mass for church flowers.

Special Appeal: Do you have any unwanted, but good condition, Christmas tree decorations? Our flower team would love to take them off your hands to help with our festive decorations. There is a box in the church porch to receive any donations you might be able to make.

Saturday Evening Mass: As announced recently by Fr Luke, due to the low numbers attending and the increasing costs associated with heating and lighting the church, the **Saturday evening anticipatory Mass at St Mary Magdalen is no longer sustainable and will be discontinued with effect from the 1st weekend in Advent this year.** The Saturday evening anticipatory Mass at 5:30 pm at St Marks will continue. **From Sunday 1st December onwards, the weekend Masses will be at 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday morning.**

Fr Luke's Induction: On Tuesday 3rd December, there will be a special Mass at 7:00 pm celebrated by Bishop Peter, during which Fr Luke will be officially installed as parish priest of St Mary Magdalen parish. The Mass will be followed by a reception in the Garden Room.

Catholic East Anglia: The November edition of Catholic East Anglia, the free Diocesan newspaper, is out now and available in the church porch. Please take a copy home and read it. You can also read the newspaper online on the parish web site – just scan the QR code to take you straight to it.



St Mary Magdalen 150 Club: The November prize draw of the parish 150 Club will be made in the Garden Room after the 10:00 am Mass next Sunday, 24th November. The December prize draw, which will include the third quarter bonus prizes, will be delayed by two weeks due to holiday absence, and will take place on Sunday 9th January 2025. There is still plenty of room in the 150 Club for new members – if you are not already a member why not sign up today? Membership application forms can be found on the parish web site and in the church porch.

Alpha Course: The Alpha Course continues this week with session 4 on Wednesday 13th November at 12:30 pm in the Garden Room at St Mary Magdalen church which is repeated at 7:30 pm in St Mark's church hall. This week's session is entitled *How Can I have Faith?*

New Lectionary: As previously announced, the new Lectionary, the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The revised version comes into effect on the first Sunday of Advent this year, the Church's liturgical new year. A new 4-volume set of books has been purchased for the church. These beautifully produced volumes cost £175 each and each comes with dedication inserts. If you would like to purchase one for the parish, or contribute towards the cost on behalf of your family or perhaps in memory of a loved one, please speak to Fr Luke. The Sunday Missal containing the revised readings is available to purchase now from the Catholic Truth Society in various formats from £9.95. The QR code will take you directly to the CTS web site where you can place an order. For those wanting the new weekday Missal, this is not yet available but is expected to be available to order in April next year.



The Chosen: On Saturday evenings we are continuing with the showing of the acclaimed series about the life and times of Jesus Christ – The Chosen. This series will continue over the next two Saturday evenings – 23rd and 30th November with two episodes shown each evening with a short break in the middle. Refreshments will be provided. Please do come along even if you cannot make all sessions – a rewarding and enjoyable evening awaits you.

The Sick of the Parish: We ask your continuing prayers for Patrick Doran, Leslie Jermy, Celia Moore, 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 the repose of the souls of our faithful departed and especially for Sybil Reynolds (1977), Geraldine Lofthouse (2017), Joseph Gildea (1968), John Dooley (1992), Eileen Wright (1997), Angela Walmesley-Cotham (2007), Richard Courtney (1965) and Leslie Hewitt (1995) 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.

The Chosen Series 2

**Cinematic Screening Saturday Nights in November
6:30 for 7pm in the Garden Room at St Mary Magdalen**