



# 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:**  
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**Parish Safeguarding Rep:**  
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**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:**  
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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  
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 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

## News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

<b>Responsorial Psalm – Lord make haste to help me.</b>  <p style="text-align: right;"><b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C</b></p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday Homilies</b> can be listened to again at: <a href="https://anchor.fm/fr-luke-goymour">https://anchor.fm/fr-luke-goymour</a> And on all major <b>Podcast platforms</b> just search: <b>Fr Luke's Homilies</b></p>
<b>MASS &amp; PRAYER TIMES:</b>		
<b>SATURDAY</b> 16/08/25	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: The People of the Parish	<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 17/08/25	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Priest's intentions <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: Patrick Murphy RIP	<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 19/08/25	<b>10:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Harvey Toci RIP	<b>Feria</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 20/08/25	<b>9:30 am St. Mark's</b> Offered For: Priest's intentions	<b>St Bernard</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 21/08/25	<b>NO MASS at St. Mark's</b>	<b>St Pius</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 22/08/25	<b>No Mass at St Mark's</b> No Mass Today	<b>The Queenship of the BVM</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 23/08/25	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: Moira Kynaston RIP	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 24/08/25	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: People of the Parish <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: Jill Gasson RIP	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<p>Information sheets on the Parish requirements for <b>BAPTISM, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION &amp; CONFIRMATION</b> are available at the back of both Churches and on the Parish website <a href="http://stmarksparish.org.uk">stmarksparish.org.uk</a>.</p>

**Tea & Coffee** – every Sunday after Mass at St. Mark's and Holy Family. All welcome.

**Helping to feed families in the summer:** As a parish we are going to support the low-income families in our school by offering some of them meals in the new Chantry Café throughout the summer holidays. If you would like to sponsor some of these meals you can send money directly into our parish account reference: "Lunches" or put into an envelope marked "lunches" and put into the general collection plate.

**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)



**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). Perhaps you can take responsibility for a specific flower bed? If you can help please speak to Jenny Newing or email her on [jennienewing221@gmail.com](mailto:jennienewing221@gmail.com)

### **St Francis Leprosy Guild - working for a world without leprosy**

Are appealing for donations, please visit their website [www.stfrancisleprosy.org](http://www.stfrancisleprosy.org) or contact them at [parishes@stfrancisleprosy.org](mailto:parishes@stfrancisleprosy.org) if you would like to discuss ways of supporting their work.

**St Vincent De Paul Society** – Diana, the President of the Ipswich Conference welcomes those interested in finding out and joining the SVP. The next meeting is at 10am Thursday 21st August in St Mark's church hall.

### **Walsingham Hiring Pilgrimage and Shrine Site Lead**

The Shrine in Walsingham is currently seeking someone to lead pilgrimage planning for the Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady, at Walsingham, prioritising support for the Sacred Liturgy. The job holder will also be responsible for overseeing the operations of the Shrine Gift Shop, Tea Room, and Domestic team and their duties. For more information, please see:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/2025/07/03/job-advert-pilgrimage-and-shrine-site-team-lead/>

**MARRIAGE HELP** - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 17th-19th Oct. [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) Tel: 0788 7296983

**Catholic Concern for Animals and care for Creation Commandments:** CCA Webinar on the Catholic Approach to Animal Advocacy and Ecological Justice. Monday 11th August 2025 11.00am-1.00pm. Access and register for the webinar via their email address <https://catholic-animals.com>

**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.

**FIND** – is requesting donations of the following: Fresh Fruit, Crisps, Soup including Cuppa soups, Pot Noodles, squash, treats, tea, jam and rice. They thank us all our continued support. The box for your offerings is under the table at the back of St. Mark's They are also looking for new pillowcases, in packaging for Christmas.

**Walsingham** - We have the great privilege of having Fr Zvonimir Pavičić OFM, the parish priest of St James, Medjugorje to lead the Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pilgrimage to Walsingham, which will take place on Bank Holiday Monday, 25 August 2025. For more details visit the shrine website: [walsingham.org.uk](http://walsingham.org.uk)

**Spiritual Mission Appeal** – Fr Martin Guba is visiting our Parish from London, to appeal for the mission of the Holy Ghost Fathers on the weekend of 23rd and 24th August 2025.

**Mass Time Changes:** As previously communicated in the newsletter on 5th July, Fr Paul will be retiring in September. Consequently, this will require adjustments to the Sunday Mass times at St Mary Magdalen, St Mark, and Holy Family churches from October. More information about Mass times and Fr Paul's retirement will follow in due course.

## News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

**The 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C.  
Services during the coming week – The Twentieth Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I**

Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira Family – living and dead. Reader: F Vieira, Offertory: Cork Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Ministers: W Lobo, T Snell, M Long
	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 Val &amp; Nigel</i>
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Feria	<b>No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Feria	10:00 am Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira Family living and dead.
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	St Bernard	12 noon Holy Mass.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	St Pius X	10:00 am Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Magdalen Jermy RIP. 7:15 pm Bible Study Group meets in the Garden Room
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	The Queenship of the blessed Virgin Mary	10:00 am Holy Mass followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August		6:00 pm Vigil Mass of the 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
		<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> August	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: W Lobo, Offertory: M Mayhew/M Geisel, Eucharistic Ministers: T Snell, M Long, J Poll.

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**Magdalen Jermy RIP:** Too late for last week's newsletter, it is sad to announce the death of Magdalen Jermy, a long-standing parishioner of St Mary Magdalen, in Ipswich hospital on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August. Released from a cruel illness, Magdalen is now reunited with her beloved husband Les who himself died only last November. Please remember Magdalen in your prayers, and also pray for her two daughters Hannah and Rebecca who are distraught at the loss of both their parents in such a short period of time. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

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**Bible Study Group:** The Bible Study Group meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm in the Garden Room, the next session being 21<sup>st</sup> August. The group has recently completed the Gospel of St Luke and is now commencing the Acts of the Apostles, and although any persons wishing to join the group will be welcome at any time, now would be a very appropriate time for any newcomers to come along. Just come along on Thursday evening and bring your Bible – there are spares if you do not have one or forget to bring it.

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**Medjugorje Pilgrimage September 2025:** There are some parishioners who will be attending the Medjugorje pilgrimage this year, and there may be others who would like to be part of our pilgrimage but for

various reasons cannot join. At the back of the church there are some *Spiritual Pilgrimage* cards. The idea is that those who cannot join the pilgrimage physically can join spiritually. You can complete a card with your name and details of your intentions and completed cards will be carried wherever we go through the pilgrimage week so that the person on the card shares our pilgrimage spiritually. At the end of our stay, the cards are placed in a basket that is handed to one of the visionaries who will celebrate Mass over them and then they are burnt. If you would like to, please complete a card and hand it to Michael or Collett Long or one of our priests, and they will be collected and taken to Medjugorje when we travel on 16<sup>th</sup> September.


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**Gary Page RIP:** Confirmation has now been received regarding the funeral arrangements for Gary Page. A requiem Mass will be celebrated by Fr Luke in St Mary Magdalen church at 10:00 am on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August and this will be followed by a funeral service at Ipswich Crematorium at 11:45 am.

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**Alpha Course:** A new Alpha course will begin later in the year, on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:contact@marymagdalens.org).

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**St Mary Magdalen 150 Club:** The August Prize Draw will be made in the Garden Room after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August. The Club has capacity for new members. Are you a subscriber? Could you help support your parish in this additional way? For just £1 per month you can join this venture and enter the prize draw for cash prizes, with all proceeds going to the parish. Application forms are available in the church porch and 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. 

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**SPUC Campaign:** As you probably know, in the space of one week at the end of June, MPs voted to decriminalise abortion up to birth and legalise assisted suicide. The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child (SPUC) has launched its Fightback campaign to raise awareness and support and to encourage people to make their voice heard and stand up for the most vulnerable in our society. There are some postcards at the back of church which you can complete and send off to SPUC and you will be sent an information pack about what you can do to help support this cause.

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**Parish Missional Prayer:** In the church porch you will find some printed prayer cards depicting the paintings of Our Lady of Ipswich and the Divine Mercy, copies of which hang on the back wall of church, and the text of the parish Missional prayer. You are all encouraged to take one of these cards home and to regularly pray it for the success and effectiveness of our parish missional ambition.

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**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.*

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**Our Own Dear Departed:** Of your charity, please pray for William Gleeson (1972), Michael Whitbread (2013), John Brant (2002) and Giulio Fella (2009) 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.*

**Remember to pray for the Mission of our Parishes**

**Adoration for the intention of renewal continues at St Mark's every Wednesday and Thursday at St Marks 6:30 am – 7:30 am**

**You can also pray at home and please continue pray the parish prayer:**

God our Father,

we give you thanks and praise for calling us to share in the fullness of life and love that Jesus won for us.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish community.

Changed by your Spirit, may we become a community of disciples, attentive to the needs of all who come through our doors, and even those who don't.

We pray for your blessing upon every person in our parish community, and on all who live in and around our parish.

May they know your love, your presence, and your power in their lives.

For all who are struggling at this moment, we ask that you enter their lives and lift them.

May our parish become a place of adoration,

where the hungry are fed, the sick are healed, the bereaved are comforted, and all are made whole.

Soften our hearts to your will.

Make us open to what you desire to do in and through our parish, and give us the courage and strength to follow your call.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**