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## ST. MARK WITH HOLY FAMILY BRANTHAM

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The Parish of St Mark includes St Mark's Church in Ipswich & The Church of the Holy Family in Brantham (CO11 1TB)

Parish Priest: Fr Luke Goymour

Parish school: St Mark's School Headteacher: Dr Michael Keller

Parish Secretary: Mrs Pat West available on Tuesdays from 11 – 1pm office@stmarksparish.org.uk

Local Safeguarding Rep: lsr@stmarksparish.org.uk

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: St Mark Fridays 11:40-12:10 Holy Family Tuesday – 09:20 - 09:50

#### PRAYER GROUPS: St Mark

1st and 3rd & 5th Monday 6:00pm: Adoration 7:00pm – Praise, worship, scripture, reflection in Hall

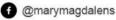
CONFESSIONS: St Mark Saturdays: 17:00 and by appointment

Children's Liturgy: at 11 am on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month.



# ST. MARY MAGDALEN

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### 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: Barclays Account Name: St Mary Magdalen Roman Catholic Parish Account number: 70777323 Sort code: 20-44-51

Catholic chaplain to the Ipswich hospitals: Awaiting new appointment. Please contact either Fr Paul, Fr Luke or one of the other Ipswich priests if you or a family member are going in to hospital.

Responsoria	Il Psalm – O blessed are those v	vho fear the Lord
		33rd WEEK OF THE YEAR – Year A
MASS & PRA	AYER TIMES:	
SAT 18th	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Offered For: Rev. Fr. Simon Simmonds RIP	
SUN 19th	09:00 Holy Family	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Offered For: The People of the Parish	
	11:00 St Mark's	
	Offered For: Sir Jude Ozor RIP	
TUES 21st	10: 00 am Holy Family	The Presentation of the B. V. Mary
	Offered for: Geraldine & Edward Rochford	& Family
WEDS 21st	9:30 am St. Mark's	St. Cecillia
	Offered for: Eleonora Collins	
THU 22nd	No Mass at St. Mark's	Feria
	10;00am at St. Mary Magdalens	
FRI 23rd	8:00 am St. Mark's	Feria
	Offered for: Elisa Collins	
SAT 24th	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass	Solemnity of Christ the King
	Offered For: The People of the Parish	
SUN 25th	09:00 Holy Family	Solemnity of Christ the King
	Offered For: Maria Wilson & Family	
	11:00 St Mark's	
	Offered For: Mary Butcher RIP	

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### **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

Tickets on sale after Mass

Please note: Early Mass on Friday as Fr Luke has to attend a meeting.

**Holy Souls:** Masses for the holy souls are offered through November. Please add the names of those you want remembered at Mass in the book of life at the front of Church.

**Gift Aid** - We intend to make a claim in November for the period of April 20222-2023 and would like to remind you that it is essential that you are still paying UK income or Capital Gains Tax in an amount equal to the claim. Unless we are informed to the contrary, we will be claiming tax on your behalf. If anyone would like to boost their donations at no extra cost the gift aid forms are available on the table at the back of the church. Kindly email me with any changes since you last completed the form at <a href="mailto:sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk">sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk</a>

**Confirmation Class** Confirmation class began on 4<sup>th</sup> November from 10-4pm at St Mark's forms available at the back of Church, **First Holy Communion Registration is now Closed!** 

**At the Repository** -Christmas cards, calendars and diaries are now available from the repository at the back of the church. Please put the money in the red box on the wall beside the repository.

Want to become a Catholic? Then consider joining our RCIA programme, please fill out a form and return to Fr Luke ASAP (The Alpha course will form part of this year's RCIA course) Members of the RCIA are also invited to meet with Fr Luke on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm

**FIND, thanks us for our generosity** - and is asking especially for soup, tinned potatoes, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, tinned fruit and shampoo

**Mary's Meals** – Ask for your help in raising funds by making and selling art and craft items. See their new campaign **Make for Meals** on their website <u>www.marysmeals.org</u>

**BRING & BUY COFFEE MORNING** – AT Paddock Gate, Whitehorse Rd East Bergholt CO76TR on 30<sup>th</sup> November from 10.30 till 12.00- Christmas Cakes will be on sale, extra grand raffle & Christmas gifts. So don't miss a fun morning, bring friends neighbours and family to!!!!

**St. Albans** – are seeking to recruit a School Chaplain. For further details visit the school website https//www.st-albans.suffolk.sch.uk/vacancies

Alpha Continues this Wednesday 12:30 at St Mary Magdalen and 19:30 at St Mark

**Christmas sing-along** – We are invited to join St. Mary Magdelens on the evening of 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Tickets £5 include mulled wine and a mince pie. Contact Jean McSorley on 01473 462740 or 0779 2561011

Medjugorje 2024 – The pilgrimage to Medjugorje next year is from 19<sup>th</sup> September to 26<sup>th</sup> September. The details are as the successful pilgrimage earlier this year and the price is the same, £779 per person for a shared room. There is an early booking discount of £100 if you are able to book and pay in full before 30<sup>th</sup> November. For information contact Chris McEwen on chrismceweneb@gmail.com or 07967 568852

Social & Fundraising - The Parish Fundraising Group really would appreciate your help, if you could volunteer for a couple of hours on Friday morning to help bring down heavy boxes from upstairs and set the tables up. And/or on Saturday morning to help run co-run one of the stalls. There is a list on the church notice board near the doors, of stall helpers still required, please pop your name and phone number on it. Thank you for your support.

to everyone who has Thank you bought raffle tickets and contributed items to the Christmas Fayre, we have lots of lovely things. We don't need anymore cuddly toys but we would appreciate alcohol for the tombola, toys and gifts, cushions and anything else you find taking up space at home!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Raffle, Bottle Stall,

Viv's famous Christmas cakes

Vicky's Tropic skin care

Toys, Gifts, Refreshments

And of course

**Father Christmas** 

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine Vergdahl who died

during the week. She attended Mass at Holy Family until her health failed. And Please Pray for Beryl Edwards, whose Funeral take place at Holy Family Church on Tuesday 28th November

### News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19th November 2023: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year A Services during the coming week - Thirty-third Week of the Year, Year I Saturday 18th 5:30 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Vigil Mass of 33rd Sunday, offered for Stan Bakowski. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family November Sunday 19th 8:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family. Reader: J Cleary, Offertory: Moore Family, Eucharistic November Minister: C Moore 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Minister: M Long Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass prepared and served by Nigel & Julie St Edmund, King & Martyr Monday 20th November No Mass Today Tuesday 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of John Dooley RIP November Wednesday St Cecilia 22<sup>nd</sup> November 12 noon Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of Angela Walmesley-Cotham RIP (Foundation Mass) Thursday 23rd Feria 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family November Friday 24th Feria November 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the repose of the soul of Albertina Vieira RIP followed by Exposition and a Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday 25th 5:30 pm Confessions

November 6:00 pm Vigil Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, offered for the people of the parish.

World Day of the Poor: Today is World Day of the Poor, a Roman Catholic observance, celebrated on the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time since 2017. It was established by Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter, Misericordia et Misera, issued on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to celebrate the end of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. The World Day of the Poor was established with the theme, "Let us love, not with words but with deeds". The theme for this, the seventh World Day of the Poor, is "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" taken from the book of Tobit. In his message for this World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis reflects on the example of Tobit. He considers how the Book of Tobit teaches us to be realistic and practical in whatever we do with and for the poor, writing that "caring for the poor is more than simply a matter of a hasty hand-out; it calls for re-establishing the just interpersonal relationships that poverty harms."

In his message marking World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis says "whenever we encounter a poor person, we cannot look away, for that would prevent us from encountering the face of the Lord Jesus." In his message, Pope Francis reminds us that the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) is not simply a story from the past but continues to challenge each of us in the here and now of our daily lives. He writes: "It is easy to delegate charity to others, yet the calling of every Christian is to become personally involved." The full text of Pope Francis' message can be found on the parish web site - scan the QR code to go directly to it.

**Next Sunday:** Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe which marks the beginning of the final week of the Church's liturgical year. This day is also celebrated as Youth Day, and to support the work of the Diocesan Youth Service, there will be a second collection taken at all Masses next weekend.

CAFOD World Gifts: CAFOD has a range of gifts available for Christmas and other special occasions throughout 0%20 the year. The 2023-2024 gift catalogue is filled with ethical and sustainable presents for friends and family to mark birthdays, anniversaries and other celebrations as well as Christmas itself. You can find the World Gifts catalogue in the church porch, complete with a Freepost order form, or you can buy them online from the CAFOD web site – scan the QR code to take you straight there.

Parish 150 Club: The November prize draw of the parish 150 Club is due to be made next Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> November. However, owing to holiday absences, this draw will be postponed and will instead be made after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December. There is plenty of room for new subscribers – why not sign up today and your numbers can then be entered in the next prize draw? Application forms are available in the church porch or, even quicker, you can sign up on-line on the parish web site – just scan the QR code.

Welcome: Today we welcome Areli Lubin into the Catholic Church and our parish community when she is baptised. Please remember Areli in your prayers and also pray for his parents and godparents that they may guide her to a full and meaningful relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Book of Remembrance: In the Catholic Church the month of November begins with the Solemnity of All Saints' on November 1<sup>st</sup>, followed by the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed – All Souls' Day' on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Together these days mark the start of a month of remembrance, often referred to as the month of the dead, during which we remember and pray especially for our loved ones who have gone before us and whose loss we feel. On the table at the back of the church there is a Book of Remembrance and you are all invited to write in this the names of those family members and friends who have died, who will then be remembered especially during Masses throughout the month.

Free to a Good Home: If anybody has use for some 1500mm (5 ft) fluorescent light fittings complete with tube and diffuser, there are still some available free of charge. If you are interested, please email contact@marymagdalens.org and collection can be arranged, else these will be disposed of by the end of the month.

Ladies Tea and Chat: Friday this week, 24th November, being the last Friday of the month, sees the ladies tea and chat session take place in the Garden Room at 2:30 pm. This session is open to all - just come along and join the ladies of the parish for a friendly chat over a cup of tea and a slice of cake.

Wreath Making Workshop: On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November a Christmas Wreath workshop will take place in the Garden Room between 7 and 9 pm. The cost will be £15 with all equipment provided, but if you have any special decorations you would like to incorporate, then do bring them along. For further information, and to book your place, please contact Janet Irving on 07837 152179.

Christmas Sing-a-Long: On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, a Christmas Sing-a-Long concert will be held in the parish hall starting at 7:00 pm. You are all invited to come along and bring with you any (portable) musical instruments you might play and your best Christmas voice to join in. Music will be provided by the Martlesham Ukulele Players. Tickets, costing £5 which includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie, will be available after weekend Masses.

The Sick of the Parish: We ask your prayers for Patrick Doran, Ida James 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, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for Joseph Gildea (1968), John Dooley (1992), Eileen Wright (1997), Angela Walmesley-Cotham (2007), Richard Courtney (1965), Lelie Hewitt (1995), Catherine Harwood (2000), Freda Precious (2005), William Cowan (1986), Joseph Marczell (1998) and Cynthia "Cissie" Kerr (2014) 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

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