



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)

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Eucharistic Adoration:

St Mark's
Friday 11:40 – 12:10

Wed 6:30 am – 7:30
Thurs 6:30 am -7:30

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
Every Sunday at
11am Mass



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Confession:
Before weekday Mass
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
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 2nd February 2025.

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!	
4th week of the year – Year C	
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:	
SATURDAY 1/2/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Sheila Curry RIP (FM) The Presentation of the Lord
SUNDAY 2/2/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: The People of the Parish 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: George Smith RIP The Presentation of the Lord
TUESDAY 4/2/25	10:00 Holy Family Offered For: Mr & Mrs Tim Pells Feria
WEDNESDAY 5/2/25	9:30 am St. Mark's (6:30 am Adoration) Offered For: Priest's intentions St. Agatha
THURSDAY 6/2/25	St. Mark's (6:30 am Adoration) 10:00 Mass at St. Mary Magdalens St. Paul Miki & Comps
FRIDAY 7/2/25	12:15 pm St. Mark's Offered For: Jean and Kevin McNiff Feria
SATURDAY 8/2/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish 5th Sunday in Ordinary time
SUNDAY 9/2/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Graeme Forsyth in Thanksgiving (80 th) 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Annette Murphy RIP 5th 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

The feast day of St Josephine Bakhita,

the patron saint of victims of human trafficking and modern slavery, takes place on February 8. There are 50 million victims of human trafficking across the world and as many as 130,000 in the UK, hidden in plain sight in your neighbourhood. Pope Francis describes human trafficking as "blood money" and a "crime against humanity". We are all called to combat this evil trade. To find out more and what you can do, go to santamartagroup.org/resources.

Discover Radio Maria – Your Catholic Voice on Air - Radio Maria England is a Catholic radio station bringing uplifting music, engaging discussions, and faith-filled programming to inspire your daily life. Tune in for live Mass, prayers, and thought-provoking talks from leading Catholic voices. You can listen via DAB+, the Radio Maria Play app, on the Alexa Smart Speaker or online at www.radiomariaengland.uk. Join us and let Radio Maria bring faith to life!

Do you have a gift for music? St Mark's is building a music ministry to praise God through both traditional hymns and contemporary music, and we need your help! Music is a vital part of our weekly liturgy, and your talent—whether singing, playing an instrument, or contributing in other ways—could make a real difference. Please get in touch and be part of this meaningful and inspiring ministry.

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
The 151st draw was completed last Sunday 26th January 2025 after mass at Holy Family. The results were: 1st number 62 won £91.85. 2nd number 50 won £50.10. 3rd number 60 won £25.05



2025 Medjugorje Parish Pilgrimage dates 16th to 23rd September. £829.00 when sharing a room. For further details contact chrismceweneb@gmail.com

Stop Press: For the Jubilee Year and for the Mission of our Parishes: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Wednesday and Thursday morning at **St Mark's 6:30 am to 7:30 am** followed by a light breakfast **come for as long or as little as you like**, to pray silently in the presence of Jesus for our Parish, for Ipswich and for those in our immediate community to come to know Jesus. Start your day in the presence of God – more info and prayer materials to follow, **starts this week, all welcome.**

What is the Jubilee? The Jubilee is a Catholic Holy Year celebrated by the entire Church every 25 years—a time of grace, renewal, and profound spiritual significance. The 2025 Jubilee, with the inspiring theme "Pilgrims of Hope," began on December 24, 2024, and will conclude on January 6, 2026. This sacred year invites Catholics worldwide to deepen their faith through spiritual renewal, reconciliation, and conversion, while also drawing interest from other

religious communities and people of goodwill. Stay tuned for more details on how our parish will join in celebrating this momentous occasion.

ST. MARK'S SCHOOL - are excited to announce the addition of a toddler group to our school community, called Curious Cubs. 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 3rd February between 9 and 10.30am at St Mark's School.

AND - Judo classes for students in Years 4, 5, and 6! These sessions will provide students with the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of Judo, including discipline, respect, and teamwork, all while having fun and staying active. The sessions take place every Wednesday between 6 and 7 pm. For more information or to sign up, please contact the school office. **THEY ARE ALSO SEEKING** - a Midday Supervisor to join our team and help support our students during their lunchtime. This is an important role in ensuring that our children are safe, well-supported, and enjoying their break in a positive and supervised environment. For more information or to sign up, please contact the school office.

Inviting all young people in Year 9 and above to 'Flame' at Wembley Arena - The Diocesan Youth Service is excited to be taking a group to 'Flame' on March 15th. Flame is the largest catholic gathering of young people in the UK, coming together to experience the best in international speakers, artists and performers. It is a vibrant experience of young Church, concluding with Adoration led by most of the Bishops of England and Wales. For details and to book a ticket and place on the coach, please see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth . Bookings must be received by 9th February.

Community of Our Lady of Walsingham - House Appeal - In honour of the Presentation of the Lord on 2nd February - the *World day of Prayer for Consecrated Life* - could you help a new, growing, religious community? The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham seeks donations to establish a mission house in Walsingham where they can expand their work of spiritual accompaniment, hospitality and supporting young people to grow in faith. The community will pray for all benefactors and are grateful for donations of any amount which can be made at www.walsinghamcommunity.org/maryshouseappeal Web: www.walsinghamcommunity.org Tel 01362 692574

Pilgrimage – Hope in the Wilderness - 28th-30th March for further details visit walsingham.org.uk/our-retreats

Alpha Course – The celebration meal for both groups will be held on Wednesday 5th February at St. Mary Magdalens church Hall at 7.30pm

News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

The Presentation of the Lord – 2nd February, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C. Services during the coming week – 4th Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I

Sunday 2 nd February	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the souls of John, Annick and Stephen Smith RIP (Foundation Mass), Reader: J Cleary, offertory: Moore Family Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Ministers: W Lobo, A James, J Poll.
	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 Louise & Val</i>		
Monday 3 rd February	Feria	No Mass Today
Tuesday 4 th February	Feria	No Mass Today
Wednesday 5 th February	St Agatha	2:00 pm Requiem Mass for Jessica "Anne" Johnson RIP
Thursday 6 th February	St Paul Miki and Companions	10:00am Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Eric List RIP (Foundation Mass)
Friday 7 th February	Feria	No Mass Today
Sunday 9th February - The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish, Reader: C Moore, offertory: Cork Family Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Valerian Lobo RIP. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Ministers: A James, J Poll, M Geisel.

Fr Chris Dobson: Today, we welcome Fr Chris Dobson who will be celebrating the Sunday Masses with us. Fr Paul is away again this week and consequently there will be limited weekday Masses celebrated at St Mary Magdalen church during this week. However, there will be Mass celebrated by Fr Luke on Thursday at 10:00 am and on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 pm there will be a Requiem Mass for the late Jessica "Anne" Johnson.

Catholic East Anglia: Publication of the February edition of Catholic East Anglia, the free Diocesan newspaper, has been delayed by a week and copies will be available in church next weekend, and online on the parish web site during the week.

Diocesan Year Books: Also available in the church porch are the new editions of the Diocesan Year Book for 2025 priced at £3.50 per copy. The annual Yearbook contains a comprehensive, up-to-date guide to the Diocese of East Anglia. It can also be read and referenced online on the parish web site – just scan the QR code to take you to it.



St Mary Magdalen 150 Club: The January prize draw of the parish 150 Club was made last weekend. The prize winners were:

First prize £25 – Mr P Boast, second prize £20 – Mrs R Sunil
Third Prize £25 – Mr & Mrs M Geisel and fourth prize £10 – Mrs W Lobo.



Full details of the prizes and winners can be found on the notice board in the church porch and on the parish web site – the adjacent QR code will take you directly there. The February prize draw will take place next Sunday, 23rd February in the Garden Room after the 10:00 am Mass. Are you a member of the 150 Club? If not, application forms are available in the church porch or also online on the parish website. Please do sign up and help support your parish in this way.

Pastoral Care: If you are, or know of anybody who is, housebound and cannot get to Mass regularly, and would like a home visit with Holy Communion from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please let Fr Luke or Fr Paul know, or send an email to contact@marymagalens.org, and we will organise something for you.

Parish AGM: Advance notice: The parish AGM, will be at 7pm on Thursday 27th February in the Garden Room

Alpha Course: The current course concludes this week, Wednesday 5th February, with the end of course celebration meal being held in **St Mary Magdalen church hall at 7:30**. All attendees at both the St Mary Magdalen and the St Mark sessions are invited to come together for this celebration and bring along with them their own invited guests, to partake in the meal. To facilitate catering arrangements, please ensure the organisers know you will be coming and have details of your guests and any special dietary requirements they might have. A new Alpha course will be starting later in the year and you can find information about Alpha on the parish web site.

Lost Property: Over the past weeks and months, we have collected a number of items that have been left behind in the church pews after services. These items are placed in the lost property box in the porch. Please check this to see if any of your belongings are there, as the box will be emptied, and contents disposed of, on 14th February.

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 the repose of the souls of our faithful departed especially for Jessica “Anne” Johnson whose requiem will be on Wednesday this week, and for Annie Kearny (1975), Cecil Everitt (1995), Cecilia Molyneux (2000), William Clancy (1979), Andrew Flynn (1999), Imelda Foulger (1996), Jeanie Walker (2007), Ivy Long (1977), Darren Platts (2012), Charles Vieira (1996), Eileen Knight (1997), John Metcalfe (2007), Hilda Chaisty (2012), Caterina Fella (1989), Elizabeth "Elsie" Robinson (2002), George Youngman (1966), Harold Mottram (1977), Antonio Melero (1979), Delia Reilly (1991), Sheila White (2003), Michael M^cGlead (2014) and Michael Parmenter (2018) 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 Community of Our Lady of Walsingham

are coming back!

Last year we had a wonderful retreat-mission week led by the sisters from the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham. They will be coming back to Ipswich to do an Ipswich Retreat Day on

Saturday 1st March 2025

10 – 4pm at St Mark’s

On the Sunday they will speaking at all Masses at St Mark’s and St Mary Magdalen about their Walsingham Appeal