



# PARISH NEWSLETTER



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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 and the church of the Holy Family in Brantham (CO11 1TB)

**Parish Priest:**  
Fr Luke Goymour V.F.

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

**Parish Secretary:**  
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**Parish Safeguarding Rep:**  
**Mrs Joanna McCall**  
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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 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays of each month



## ST MARY MAGDALEN

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**Parish administrator:**  
Fr Luke Goymour

**Assistant Priest:**  
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**Confession:**  
5:30pm Saturday  
and by appointment

**Parish School:**  
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Stratford Road  
Ipswich  
IP1 6EF  
T 01473 742074

**Headteacher:**  
Mrs Lucille Martin

**Safeguarding**

**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  
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](mailto:hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024.**

## News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

<b>Responsorial Psalm – The Lord upholds my life</b>		<b>25<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time – Year B</b>	<p><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 Podcast platforms just search: <b>Fr Luke's Homilies</b></p>
<b>MASS &amp; PRAYER TIMES:</b>			
<b>SATURDAY</b> 21/9/24	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: Grace O'Connor RIP	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<p><b>Fr. Luke will be accompanying the Pilgrimage to Medjugorje and will be away from the Parish between 20<sup>th</sup> &amp; 28<sup>th</sup> September</b></p> <p><b>THIS WEEKEND WE WELCOME</b></p> <p><b>Fr Gladson Dabre OSA</b></p>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 22/9/24	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Mrs. Anne Kelly RIP <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: The People of the Parish	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b> 24/9/24	<b>10:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: <b>NO MASS TODAY</b>	<b>Our Lady of Walsingham</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 25/9/24	<b>9:30 am St. Mark's</b> Offered For: <b>NO MASS TODAY</b>	<b>Feria</b>	
<b>THURSDAY</b> 26/9/24	<b>NO MASS at St. Mark's</b> No Mass Today	<b>Feria</b>	
<b>FRIDAY</b> 27/9/24	<b>12:15 pm St. Mark's</b> Offered For: <b>NO MASS TODAY</b>	<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b> 28/9/24	<b>17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass</b> Offered For: Gordon Parrott RIP	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b> 29/9/24	<b>09:00 Holy Family</b> Offered For: Eddie Grogan RIP <b>11:00 St Mark's</b> Offered For: The People of the Parish	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	

**COFFEE MORNING** – This Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> September. A warm welcome awaits you at Paddock Gate, White Horse Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TR from 10.30 to 1

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

**Gift Aid** - If anyone has not received their gift aid offertory envelopes or would like to start using them please email [sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sharoncullum247@yahoo.co.uk) or contact the Parish Office

**Parish Website: Check out our new look parish website:** [stmarksparish.org.uk](http://stmarksparish.org.uk) It's still under construction so bear with us. Thanks to Mr Ian Tearle for developing the site, you can email him at [operations@stmarksparish.org.uk](mailto:operations@stmarksparish.org.uk)

**The Annual Ipswich Deanery on the 28<sup>th</sup> September is cancelled** due to insufficient teams confirming that they were taking part. We thank those who had wanted to take part, and look forward to next year's quiz.

**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 10206 298939 or sending an email to [dford0554@aol.com](mailto:dford0554@aol.com)



**ALPHA COURSE** – The next course starts on 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30 at St. Marks. There is also a lunchtime session at 12.30 at St. Mary Magdalens. There is a signup sheet at the back of the Church or on ChurchSuite

**Youth Mass followed by Laser Tag**- Date for your Diary Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October for young people aged 7 -18 (different aged game slots) Mass at 5:30 followed by Pizza and Laser Tag – more info to follow

**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, come and join us! Find out more at our Launch Meeting on October 20<sup>th</sup> at Newmarket Parish Centre, 14 Exeter Road, CB8 8LT, starting at 12:30pm (please bring a packed lunch) and will end by 3pm. See [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth) for more details.

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**First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA registration is open** – please fill out the online registration on our website: <https://stmarksparish.org.uk/sacraments>

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**FIND** – is requesting donations of the following: Fresh Fruit & Veg. Tinned Fruit, Cereals, Jam, Pasta & Pasta Sauce, Cup A Soup, Soup, Sugar & Tinned Rice. They thank us for our continued support. The box for your offerings is under the table at the back of St. Mark's

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**CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal – Harvest (Friday 4 October)** Use the envelope in church or give online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope).

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**The SVP** - is experiencing something of a renewal in the Diocese of East Anglia. There are now SVP groups in 18 parishes, including four which have started in the last year or so – in Diss, Aylsham, Hunstanton and Walsingham. Groups in East Anglia run three houses for the homeless, support asylum seekers, do prison visiting, provide baby essentials, ovens and fridges for poor families, help with soup runs, take Communion to the sick, organise lifts to Mass and generally respond to whatever social needs come up in the parish and community." - **They will visit our Parish in October – date to follow.**

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**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](mailto:simon@stmarksparish.org.uk)

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**Fr Luke appointed Dean:** on the retirement of Fr John Barnes, Bishop Peter has appointed Fr Luke as the Rural Dean (*Vicar Forane*) of the Ipswich Deanery of St Edward.

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## News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year B.  
Services during the coming week – Twenty-fifth Week of the Year, Year II**

Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	5:30 pm	No Confessions TODAY
	6:00 pm	NO MASS TODAY.
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	8:00 am	NO MASS
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Eucharistic Minister: M Long offered for the people of the parish <i>Please join us in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass for tea and coffee, prepared and served by Molly &amp; Rosemary</i>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	St Pius of Pietrelcina	<b>No Mass Today</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Our Lady of Walsingham, patron of the Diocese	<b>No Mass Today</b>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Feria	<b>No Mass Today</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Feria	<b>No Mass Today</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	St Vincent de Paul	<b>No Mass Today</b>
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, offered for the people of the parish.
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for G C Vieira. Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered in thanksgiving for Heather Ann Poll RIP. Eucharistic Minister: R Shorten

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**Today's Gospel:** In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel.

Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging. Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all. Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone. *Courtesy Loyola Press*

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**This Week:** Fr Paul has been unwell and is away this week from Monday, and so there will be no weekday Masses at St Mary Magdalen church. Next Sunday we will welcome back Fr Chris Dobson who has kindly agreed to cover for Fr Paul's absence and will celebrate all three weekend Masses with us next week.

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**150 Club:** The September draw of the parish 150 Club, which will include the 6 month Bonus Prizes, will be held in the Garden Room after the 10:00 Mass next Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September. There are still many unallocated numbers in the Club and thus plenty of room for new subscribers, and time before the September draw for new members to join. Several people have recently taken membership forms and indicated they would join the 150 Club, or extend their membership, but have not thus far returned those forms. If you are one of these, it would be greatly appreciated if you could return the completed form straight away. If you are not a member, please do consider joining and supporting your parish in this way. Membership forms are available at the back of church, and you can also join using the on-line application form on the parish web site. The QR code will take you directly to it. 

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**New Lectionary:** As we are moving closer to the end of the Church's liturgical year, it is worth noting that the Catholic lectionary is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. This process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued to work through all the other liturgical rites. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, using better and more up-to-date biblical scholarship and to use a text which is more proclaimable. With effect from the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the new liturgical year, the readings used at Mass will be taken from the new lectionary which will use the English Standard Version of the Bible – Catholic Edition. The four-volume lectionary for use at Mass will be replaced with the new versions shortly, and updated Sunday Missals are available now to purchase from the Catholic Truth Society, with availability of daily Missals yet to be announced.

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**Alpha Course:** There will be another Alpha course starting 23<sup>rd</sup> October – a lunch time session to be held at St Mary Magdalen church and an evening session to be held at St Mark's church. Christian rather than Catholic, at each Alpha session, you'll be hosted in a small group and watch an episode on a different question of faith - then you have a chance to share your thoughts and hear what others think. You can say anything you like, or nothing at all. Everyone's welcome. You're invited to attend, no matter your background or beliefs. It's free and there's no pressure to come back. Please do consider signing up for the next course, or if you would like to help organise and run the next course, please let Fr Paul or Fr Luke know.

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**The Sick of the Parish:** We ask your 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 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) and Emilia Ciufo (2019) 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*

**Fr Paul thanks everyone for their kindness and prayers. Please do continue to pray for Fr Paul whilst he makes a recovery.**

**The Mass schedule has been altered and severely reduced at this time**

**Thank you for patience and understanding in this matter**