



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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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



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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 31st August 2025

News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor. 22nd Week of the Year – Year C		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
SATURDAY 30/08/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: People of the Parish	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 31/08/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Helena Loughran 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Priest's intentions	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
TUESDAY 2/09/25	10:00 Holy Family Offered For: Daniel Ward	
WEDNESDAY 3/09/25	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Melda Squire RIP	St Gregory the Great
THURSDAY 4/09/25	NO MASS at St. Mark's	
FRIDAY 5/09/25	12:15 pm St Mark's Offered For: Hugh Anthony Finnigan RIP	
SATURDAY 6/09/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Priest's intentions	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 7/09/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: People of the Parish 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Priest's intentions	23rd 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

NEW TO THE PARISH or not yet registered? –

Please send an email to the
 Parish Office
office@stmarksparish.org.uk

Information sheets on the
 Parish requirements for
**BAPTISM, FIRST HOLY
 COMMUNION &
 CONFIRMATION** are
 available at the back of both
 Churches and on the Parish
 website stmarksparish.org.uk

Spiritual Pilgrim Cards. There are cards at the back of all the churches, The pilgrims from our parish depart for Medjugorje on the 16th September and are happy to take your intentions with them so that you can share in our pilgrimage. Please fill in your card(s) and leave them in the box ready for collection.

Helping to feed families in the summer: A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has helped support low-income families in our school by offering some of them meals in the new Chantry Café throughout the summer holidays. It is likely that we will have some money left over, so we will use to continue to feed the local community by setting up a Free Pantry at St Marks. Any remaining money will be used to complete the set up and to buy food for those in need.

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



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

Living Stones prayer group Mondays at 6.30pm in St. Mark's church hall

We gather again on Monday 1st September, after the August break. We have a time of Praise and Worship as well as prayer, including intercessions and prayers for healing. Sometimes we will study a passage from the Bible or listen to a talk. New members are always very welcome.

CAFOD: Response in Gaza - Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. And with your ongoing support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. You can find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at cafod.org.uk.

Celebrate the Season of Creation as Pilgrims of Hope with CAFOD

CAFOD in East Anglia and Sawston Live Simply group invite you to join us on Saturday 6 September 2025 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church 135 High St, Sawston, Cambridge CB22 3HJ. Coffee will be served from 10.30am followed by a presentation from Jo Kitterick, CAFOD's Director of Participation and Fundraising from 11 am to 12.30pm. There is no need to book a place but if you would like more information contact Jane Crone jcrone@cafod.org.uk

Pilgrimage Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 05th October 2025. £849.00 pps. Price includes return flight, 10kg check in bag, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport, with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Contact for more information on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.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.

News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

**The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 31st August, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C.
Services during the coming week – The Twenty-second Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I**

Sunday 31 st August	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: C Moore, Offertory: Moore Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Heather Ann Poll RIP. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Ministers: M Long, J Poll, M Geisel.
	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 & Julie</i>
Monday 1 st September	Feria	No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church
Tuesday 2 nd September	Feria	
Wednesday 3 rd September	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Frank Janes RIP (Foundation Mass).
	12 noon	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Margaret Janes RIP (Foundation Mass).
Thursday 4 th September	Feria	
	10:00 am 7:15 pm	Holy Mass offered for all members of the Bolt family, living and dead (Foundation Mass).
Friday 5 th September	Feria	
Saturday 6 th September	10:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of William Cowan RIP (Foundation Mass) followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 7 th September	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: A Smith, Offertory: Cork Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Ministers: J Poll, M Geisel, W Lobo.


Bible Study Group: The Bible Study Group meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm in the Garden Room, the next session being 4th September. Any persons wishing to join the group will be welcome at any time, - just come along on Thursday evening and bring your Bible – there are spares if you do not have one or forget to bring it.

Monica Ogden: On Sunday, 17th August, Monica slipped and fell at Communion time at the 10:00 Mass, and unfortunately broke her hip. She was admitted to Ipswich Hospital and appeared to be making a good recovery, but sadly succumbed to a chest infection and passed away in Hospital on Friday 22nd. Monica lived a good life reaching 97 years of age, and only recently got to celebrate her great-granddaughter's first birthday with her family. Please remember Monica in your prayers, and also pray for her family and friends who will mourn her sad loss. May she rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

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 16th September.

Magdalen Jermy RIP: The timing of the requiem Mass for Magdalen Jermy, to be celebrated by Fr Luke, has had to be changed and will now take place at 11:30 am Thursday 11th September instead of 10:00 am as previously advised.

Alpha Course: A new Alpha course will begin later in the year, on Wednesday 12th 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.

St Mary Magdalen 150 Club: The August Prize Draw will be delayed by one week from the previously announced date, owing to the unavailability of the organiser this weekend. It will now take place on Sunday 7th September in the Garden Room after the 10:00 am Mass. 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. 

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.

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 John Grant (2002), John Eaton (2010), Vincent O'Brien (1990), Rose Carter (1978), Richard Twomey (2007), Heather Poll (2022), Patrick Byrne (1998), Minnie Morris (1975), Albert Richardson (1969) and Teresa Austin (2008) 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.

Fr Paul's retirement

Fr Paul will be leaving us at the end of September. **On Sat 27th September at 12 noon we will celebrate a leaving Mass together at St Mary Magdalen Church** followed by a BBQ and bring and share celebration in the garden room (and garden weather permitting – don't worry we have a marquee!) Sun 28th September will be Fr Paul's last Sunday with us. If you would like to contribute to Fr Paul's leaving gift please make a bank transfer and reference: "Fr Paul" or put an offering in the collection in an envelope labelled Fr Paul. (The first weekend of October we will introduce the new Mass schedule for our three Churches, which will be communicated to everyone as soon as it has been approved at Diocesan level.)

Remember to pray for the Mission of our Parishes:

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.