



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 7th September 2025

News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.		23 rd Week of the Year – Year C
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
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: Terry Fenton RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: The people of the Parish	23rd Sunday in Ordinary time
TUESDAY 9/09/25	09:00 Holy Family * Claver Offered For: Priest's intentions	St Peter
WEDNESDAY 10/09/25	9:30 am St. Mark's (With School in attendance) Offered For: Eddie Grogan RIP	
THURSDAY 11/09/25	NO MASS at St. Mark's	
FRIDAY 12/09/25	19:00 Holy Family 09:30 St Mark's Offered For: Priests intentions	The Most Holy Name of Mary
SATURDAY 13/09/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Pat West	St John Chrysostom
SUNDAY 14/09/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Beryl Edwards RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: People of the Parish	Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

***Mass at Holy Family at 9 am as Fr Luke has a Deanery Meeting to attend.**

Spiritual Pilgrim Cards. There are cards at the back of all the churches, The pilgrims from our parish departs 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.

Mary's Meals reaches three million hungry children As we celebrate the Feast of The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 8 September, we are delighted to share the news that Mary's Meals is now reaching more than three million hungry children with nutritious meals every school day! Thank you for your support and prayers which have made this possible. Visit the Mary's Meals website to find out more about this milestone and how you can support the charity's work at marysmeals.org.uk.

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

St Vincent De Paul Society – If you are interested in helping to turn concern into action, the next meeting is at St Mark's Church hall on Wednesday, 17 September at 10am.

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.

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 – Thank to everyone for their amazing generosity!! The latest need for donations is: fresh fruit and vegetables, crisps, treats, tea, jam, cereal bars, toothpaste and toothbrushes. They are very short on fruit juice (individual or large bottles) squash, milk- UHT, long grain rice, soups and cuppa soups. The box for your offerings is under the table at the back of St. Mark's church.

News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

**The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 7th September, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C.
Services during the coming week – The Twenty-third Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I**

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.
	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 Michael & Nigel</i>		
Monday 8 th September	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass Today at St Mary Magdalen Church	
Tuesday 9 th September	Feria 10:00 am	Holy Mass.
Wednesday 10 th September	Feria 12 noon	Holy Mass.
Thursday 11 th September	Feria 11:30 am 7:15 pm	Requiem Mass for Magdalen Jermy RIP. Bible Study Group in the Garden Room.
Friday 12 th September	Feria 10:00 am	Holy Mass followed by Exposition, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction.
Saturday 13 th September	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, celebrated in Polish for the Ipswich Polish Catholic Community.
	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	
Sunday 14 th September	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish. Reader: C Riches, Offertory: Cleary Family, Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: J Iannelli, Offertory: Fox Family, Eucharistic Ministers: M Geisel, W Lobo, T Snell.

St Edward's Deanery Meeting: On Tuesday 9th September, the Clergy of the St Edward Deanery will gather for their quarterly meeting at St Mary Magdalen church, which will follow the 10:00 Mass and be held in the Garden Room.

Bible Study Group: The Bible Study Group meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm in the Garden Room, the next session being 11th 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.


Catholic East Anglia: The September edition of Catholic East Anglia, the Diocesan newspaper, is now available. You can find copies in the church porch. Amongst other things, this edition includes news of the installation of two new Canons, the ordination of two new Deacons and a report on the youth pilgrimage to Rome. These are free – please do take a copy home with you and catch up on the various news and events from around the Diocese of East Anglia. You can also read this edition on-line on the parish web site. The QR code will take you directly to it.



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: Mass on Thursday this week will be a Requiem for Magdalen Jermy and will be celebrated by Fr Luke at the later than normal time of 11:30 am.

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 made today 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 Carmine Ragosta (2019), Javoslaw Bodnar (1982), Patrick Clifford (1998), Katherine Brett (2005), Canon William Burrows (1959) and Thomas Finegan (1969) 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.