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St Mark's School
Headteacher:
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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 1st, 3rd and 5th
Sundays of each month

**Evening Praise and
Worship – 2nd Sunday of
Each month at 6:30 pm**



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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 Chaplain to the Ipswich Hospital: Awaiting new appointment. If you or a family member are going into hospital, please advise either Fr Paul or Fr Luke.

Sunday 23rd March 2024 Holy Week, Yr. B

News for St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – My God, My God, Why have you forsaken me		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	
HOLY WEEK – Year B			
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:			
SATURDAY 23/3/24	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Irma Hughs RIP		Palm Sunday
SUNDAY 24/3/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: The Pells Family in thanksgiving 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: The People of the Parish		Palm Sunday
TUESDAY 26/3/24	No Mass Chrism Mass at Cathedral		Tuesday of Holy Week
WEDNESDAY 27/3/24	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Betty & John Stubbs		Wednesday of Holy Week
THURSDAY 28/3/24	19.30 St. Mark's (Watching till midnight, Night Prayer) Offered For: Priests		Maundy Thursday
FRIDAY 29/3/24	(10:00 am at Holy Family Seven Last word of Christ) 15:00 St Marks Solemn Liturgy of the Pasion		Good Friday
SATURDAY 30/3/24	20:00 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish		Easter Sunday
SUNDAY 31/3/24	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: Richard Deasy RIP 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: James Brown & Family	Easter Sunday	

**TICKETS FOR THE
EASTER RAFFLE
ARE ON SALE AFTER
MASS**

**Easter Egg Hunt on
Easter Sunday after
Mass!**

**Good Friday collection
is for the Holy Land.**

Easter Triduum: Maundy Thursday at 7:30pm begins the Easter Triduum, which is essentially one celebration observed over three days. Following the Mass on Thursday silent prayer will continue for those who want it, up until midnight when we will celebrate Night Prayer. **On Good Friday at 3pm** we solemnly celebrate the Lord's passion and venerate the cross. (There will also be a 10 am service based on the 7 last words of Christ from the cross at Holy Family) Then we gather on **Holy Saturday evening at 8pm for our Easter Vigil**, where we, light candles, celebrate the First Mass of Easter, and welcome six new people into the Church. In order to experience the fullness of the Easter celebration, you are strongly encouraged to come to all three days of liturgical celebration if at all possible.

Easter offering: Following the custom of the diocese the Easter offering goes to the priest. This, along with the Christmas offering forms the substantial part of his annual income. If you would like to make an offering, either put money in collection baskets, or make a gift online and reference "Fr Luke". Alternatively, you can hand cash directly to him.

Coffee Morning – This Thursday, 28th March. A warm welcome awaits you at Paddock Gate, White Horse Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TR from 10.30 to 12. Please support Viv who holds this every month to raise funds for the Parish.

Medjugorje 2024 – The pilgrimage to Medjugorje this year is from 19th September to 26th September. The details are as the successful pilgrimage last year and the price is the same, £779 per person for a shared room. For information contact Chris McEwen on chrismceweneb@gmail.com or 07967 568852

100 CLUB - Raises funds for the Parish and holds a monthly prize draw. Pick up an application form to join or take a further number at the back of the church or contact Graeme Forsyth at mgforsyth@outlook.com or on 01206 399049. For further information visit the Parish Website or scan the QR code here



Repository - Easter Cards are now available. Please put the money for them in the red box beside the repository.

Living Stones Prayer Group: is now meeting every Monday at St Mark's from 7.00 - 8.30pm. Come and join us for praise & worship, Adoration, testimony, teaching, sharing of scripture and reflection. During Lent we will be praying the gospel using **Lectio Divina**.

An invitation to all young adults (age 18-30) to walk The Camino – The pilgrimage to Santiago Compostela will take place on 21st to 29th July and will be led by Bishop Peter Collins. Places are limited and bookings will be on a first come first served basis. For further details or to book see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

ChurchSuite – ChurchSuite is online data management tool that the parish is using to manage our parish database and to help keep everyone in contact with what is happening in the parish. The information gathered from the Time Treasure and Talent programme is being migrated onto ChurchSuite, many of you have already been contacted with a link. ChurchSuite is safe, GDPR compliant and trusted by Churches up and down the country. It allows you to manage your own data and privacy whilst allowing the parish office and parish priest to contact you easily and securely. In time rotas for all groups in the parish, the parish diary and other relevant information will move onto ChurchSuite. If you haven't had an email from Fr Luke asking you to sign up, please email the office so that we can email you out a link and you can be added to the system.



Divine Mercy Novena and Feast. On Good Friday we start a Novena (9 days of prayer) in preparation for the Feast of Divine Mercy on 7th April. The novena can be found at <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena> and there are prayer cards available at the back of Church. There will be devotions and a special Holy Hour at 3pm on Sunday 7th April.

Easter Craft and Prayer for all the Family: Thursday 11th April 10 – 12 noon at St Marks, for children and families primary school aged

Foot washing on Maundy Thursday: Volunteers are needed to have a foot washed at Thursday's Mass, please sign up at the back of Church, or speak to Fr Luke.

News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

<i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – 25th March 2024: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year B Services during the coming week – Holy Week, Year II</i>		
Saturday 24 th March	5:30 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday of the Pasion of the Lord, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: R Cork, Offertory: Cork Family.
Sunday 25 th March	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Charles Vieira RIP. Reader J Cleary, Offertory Moore Family, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: M Geisel & M Mayhew, Eucharistic Minister: J Poll.
<i>Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, this week served by Val & Rosemary</i>		
Monday 25 th March	Monday of Holy Week	
	10:00 am 6:00 pm	Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Charles Vieira RIP Stations of the Cross
Tuesday 26 th March	Tuesday of Holy Week	
	No Mass	Today – Chrism Mass at St John's Cathedral, Norwich at 11:30 am
Wednesday 27 th March	Wednesday of Holy Week.	
	10:00 am 6:00 pm	Holy Mass offered in thanksgiving on the Birthday of Rosario "Roan" Tablante Stations of the Cross.
Thursday 28 th March	Thursday of Holy Week – Maundy Thursday	
	8:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by watching until 10:00 pm
Friday 29 th March	Good Friday	
	3:00 pm 6:00 pm	Solemn Liturgy Stations of the Cross
Saturday 30 th March	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil

The Easter Triduum: This three-day period is referred to as the *Easter Triduum*, from the Latin *tris* ("three") and *dies* ("days"). The sacred *Triduum* is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth and the events of his Passion and Resurrection. **Mass of the Lord's Supper:** On Holy Thursday, Jesus gave an example of how we should serve one another by washing the feet of his disciples. This act of service is commemorated at the Mass of the Lord's Supper when the priest washes the feet of 12 persons of the congregation. We are looking for 12 volunteers, young or old, male or female, to take part in this ceremony – a list for names is in the narthex. Please put your name

down if you would like to take part. **Good Friday:** The Solemn Liturgy will be celebrated at 3:00 pm, and there will be Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm. At the end of the solemn liturgy, there will be a retiring collection for the Shrines of the Holy Land. **Holy Saturday:** The Easter Vigil, comprising four elements - The Service of Light, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of Baptism and the first Mass of Easter - begins after sundown on the day before Easter. Our service will begin at 8:00 pm.

Gift Aid: Would all those parishioners who normally make their weekly offering using Gift Aid envelopes please note that their new 2024/25 envelopes are now available for collection from the Narthex. If you can't find your envelopes in the box, please write your name on the sheet provided for this purpose and they will be made available to you next week. If anyone has changed their details then please notify either Fr. Luke, Fr. Paul or Chris Croker (Gift Aid Co-ordinator).

Chrism Mass: The Chrism Mass, one of the main Diocesan events of the year, will be celebrated by Bishop Peter in the Cathedral of St John, Norwich on Tuesday 26th March at 11:30 am. A coach will be travelling from St Mary's church, Woodbridge Road, departing at 9:00 am and this is open to members of all Ipswich parishes. There will be a fare of £15 return for the coach and if you would like to sign up, please contact the parish secretary at St Mary's by email using secretary@st-mary.org.uk

Easter Preparation: There will be a special cleaning session to prepare the church for Easter. This will be after the Solemn Liturgy on Good Friday. Flower arranging ready for Easter will take place on Saturday 30th March starting at 8:30 am. Everyone is welcome to come along and help. Offers of greenery to decorate the church will be helpful and gratefully received. Any such donations can be left under the table in the church porch from Wednesday 27th March.

Easter Offering: A reminder that the collection taken at the three Easter Masses next weekend will form the traditional personal gift from the parish to our priest Fr Paul. Please be generous.

When Will I Be Chosen? We are going to be showing *The Chosen* in the parish hall twice monthly on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm, starting in June. There will be two episodes shown in each session, with a refreshment break between the two. Each session will finish at 9:00 pm.

First Holy Communion 2024: The instruction classes for this year's First Holy Communion candidates takes a break for the Easter holidays – the next session is 19th April at St Mark's church, Hawthorne Drive, starting at 6:00 pm, and 20th April at St Mary Magdalen at 9:30 am. The dates for the remaining classes can be found on the parish web site.

Parish 150 Club: The final draw of the 150 Club year will take place Easter Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass. This draw will include the end of year bonus prizes – the major prizes of the year. As we approach the end of the Club's financial year 31st March, we are especially on the lookout for additional members. Some of our supporters have sadly passed away during the year, others have moved away from the parish and so there is plenty of room for new joiners just to make up the numbers. If you are not a member, application forms are available in the church porch or, you can sign up on-line on the parish web site – just scan the QR code. Existing members will shortly receive annual renewal instructions by email, or new payment envelopes if you have not registered your email address. If you have any questions about your subscription or payment method, please contact the secretary by email at 150club@marymagdalens.org or speak to Michael Long.



Social Committee: A big thank you to everybody who supported the recent Quiz Night, where £184.10 was raised. From the two functions we have held so far, over £500 has gone into church funds. The next event will be on the 27th April at 7pm - an International Evening with food being provided from the many different nationalities in our congregation. Please come along and support them. Once again, many thanks for your support.

Help Required: Are there any ladies, or indeed gents, out there who are good at needlecraft? We have a need for some help in making some new veils for the tabernacle in church, and some covers for some of the altar ware. If you can help, please speak to Michael Long who can provide more information.

Ladies Tea & Chat: The ladies of the parish would normally meet on the last Friday of each month, but as the last Friday of March is actually Good Friday, there will be no meeting this month. The next session will be Friday 26th April.

Church Organ: Currently we have only two people who are trained to operate the organ, which is not particularly difficult, and we desperately need some more volunteers willing to be trained in its operation so as to relieve the burden on the two and provide more cover. If you can help us in this way, please speak initially to Fr Paul, Chris Croker or Michael Long and we can arrange for training and "shadowing" to allow you to fill this role.

The Sick of the Parish: We ask your prayers for Patrick Doran, Jim Spence and all our brothers and sisters who are unwell, afflicted, housebound or distressed. **Our Own Dear Departed:** Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of our faithful departed and especially for Aubrey Delaney (1985), James Faul (1996), William McCarthy (2003), Joseph Lappetito (2010), Linda Kirk (2021), Karen Murphy (1961), Alice Bolt (1974), Clare Moss (1979), William McCarthy (1996), David Bloomfield (2014), Wendy Hall (1995), Anita Thompson (2007), Ruby Shuttleworth (1969), Rose Adams (1987), Maria Soronenho (2011) 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.