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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:
Every Sunday



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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:
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 23rd February 2025

News at St Mark's Catholic Parish

Responsorial Psalm – The Lord is compassionate and gracious		
7th week of the year – Year C		
MASS & PRAYER TIMES:		
SATURDAY 22/2/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: Mike Galloway RIP	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 23/2/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: The People of the Parish 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Louis Allen	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
TUESDAY 25/2/25	10:00 Holy Family Offered For: Kath Mann	Feria
WEDNESDAY 26/2/25	9:30 am St. Mark's Offered For: Priest's Intentions	Feria
THURSDAY 27/2/25	NO MASS at St. Mark's 10:00 at St. Mary Magdalens	Feria
FRIDAY 28/2/25	12:15 pm St. Mark's Offered For: Anthony Finnigan RIP (FM)	Feria
SATURDAY 1/3/25	17:30 St Mark's Vigil Mass Offered For: The People of the Parish	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time St. David Patron of Wales
SUNDAY 2/3/25	09:00 Holy Family Offered For: The deceased member of the Goodchild family 11:00 St Mark's Offered For: Roger & Margaret (60 th Anniversary)	8th 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

Adoration:

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, ,
all welcome

COFFEE MORNING – This Thursday, 27th February. A warm welcome awaits you at Paddock Gate, White Horse Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TR from 10.30 to 12

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – Friday 7th March at -
Chantry Methodist Church at 2.00pm & at Holy Family Brantham at 2.30pm

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.

Youth Alpha will be starting on the 8th March 3:30 till 5:15 running every Saturday in term time. It is a great opportunity to discuss your faith with other young people while also building on friendship and community within our parishes. All young people year 8 and above are welcome and encouraged to come along.
News for St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

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!

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



ST. MARK'S SCHOOL - are excited to announce the addition of a toddler group to our school community, called Curious Cubs at 9 to 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.

Community of Our Lady of Walsingham - House Appeal - 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

Parish Treasurer Needed:

Fr Luke writes “After having served our parish for several years, and due to growing work commitments, our Treasurer Rosita has decided to stepdown. I am extremely grateful for all that she has done in service to our parish. We do, however, need a replacement treasurer. The parish treasurer is an important voluntary position and plays an essential role in administration of the parish, if you are good with numbers, perhaps even have some accountancy experience and think you could help please speak to me.”

News at St Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time – 23rd February, 2025. Readings: Liturgical Year C.
Services during the coming week – 7th Week of the Year, Liturgical Year I

Sunday 23 rd February	8:00 am	Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish, Reader: C Riches, offertory: Moore Family Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore.
	10:00 am	Holy Mass. Reader: M Pakes, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Ministers: M Geisel, R Shorten, M Long.
	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 Rosemary & Julie</i>		
Monday 24 th February	Feria	No Mass Today
Tuesday 25 th February	Feria	10:00am Holy Mass
Wednesday 26 th February	Feria	12 noon Holy Mass offered for all members of the Vieira Family living and dead
Thursday 27 th February	Feria	10:00am Holy Mass
Friday 28 th February	Feria	10:00 am Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Ralph Vieira RIP followed by Exposition, a chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction

Sunday 2nd March - The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Holy Mass offered for the people of the parish, Reader: F Vieira, offertory: Cork Family
Eucharistic Ministers: K Cork, C Moore.
10:00 am Holy Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Jamie Campbell RIP (Foundation Mass).
Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Long Family, Eucharistic Ministers: R Shorten, M Long, W Lobo.

Catholic East Anglia: The February edition of Catholic East Anglia, the free Diocesan newspaper, has been published and copies are still available free of charge in the church porch. This issue includes news of the Mass held to mark the start of the Jubilee Year and a report on an ecumenical pilgrimage to Rome led by Bishop Peter Collins. The newspaper is also available electronically and can be found online on the parish website – scan the QR code to take you directly to it.



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: Today, being the last Sunday of the month, we will make the February prize draw in the Garden Room after the 10:00 am Mass. Why not come in and join us after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee and socialise with your fellow parishioners? Are you a member of the 150 Club? If not, application forms are available in the church porch and also online on the parish website – the QR code will take you directly to the application form. Please do sign up and help support your parish in this way.



Bible Study Group: We will shortly be starting a Bible Study Group in the parish. Come along, learn and pray more in the Scriptures with our Bible Study group. This will be held weekly on Thursday evenings starting at 7:30 pm Thursday 6th March and the group will start by looking at St Luke's Gospel. The venue is yet to be confirmed, and will be dependent upon the number of people interested. If you are registered on ChurchSuite, you can sign up there, or alternatively

please email or speak to Martin Pakes – 07918 174651 martin.pakes@btinternet.com. This would be a good way to do something extra as part of your Lenten preparations.

Parish AGM: The Parish AGM will be held in the Garden Room starting at 7pm next Thursday, 27th February. Any persons who have submitted items to be included on the agenda should please make sure they are present to speak on their requested item. This will be an open meeting and all are welcome to attend.

The Chosen – Season 3: We will continue screening "The Chosen," depicting the life of Jesus Christ. Screenings are in the Garden Room on Saturdays in March, starting 8th March at 7:00 pm. Each evening features two episodes, a refreshment break, and a brief discussion. All parishioners and guests are welcome for this enriching Lenten experience.

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@marymagdalens.org, and we will organise something for you.

Alpha Course: The next Alpha course will start on 30th April and will be held each Wednesday evening starting at 7:30 pm in St Mark's church hall, Hawthorne Drive, Ipswich. You can find more information about Alpha on the parish web site – follow the QR code - and if you want to attend the next course, you can send an email to contact@marymagdalens.org to register your interest.



Ladies Tea 'n' Chat: Next Friday, 28th February, being the last Friday of the month, will be the afternoon on which the ladies of the parish get together for a cuppa and hour or so of social chatting. If you have not been before, why not come along and meet a few friendly faces – parishioners from St Mark's and Holy Family are also very welcome to come along at 2:30 pm in the Garden Room.

Please Get In Touch: Are you R Hegarth? Of so, could you please get in touch with our parish treasurer by email using contact@marymagdalens.org and supply your contact details so we can get back to you.

The Sick of the Parish: We ask this week that pray especially for Michael Head who is in hospital following a fall, and 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 Angela Hurren (1997), Walter Reynolds (1968), Audrey Hartery (2009), Sidney Mason (2010), Dorothy Bolt (1986), James Adams (1981), Pamela Andrews (1985), , Vincenza Webber (2002), Winifred Grant (2005), Kitty Finn (1999), Helen Whelan (2012), Alan Hobbs (2014), Richard Collis (2018), Georgina Beeby (1969), Elizabeth Millar (1998), Ernest Doolan (2000), Daphne Westbrook, William Fleming (1993), Donald Ludlow (1994) and Thomas Kearney (1995) 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

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

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