

# St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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*Please contact Fr Gates if you are going into hospital (☎ 01473 726701) or let Fr Mathew know.*

Mass is celebrated in the Ipswich Hospital chapel each Monday at 4 pm – all are welcome.

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## Trinity Sunday – 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Sunday Readings: Year B

### Weekday Readings: Eighth Week of Ordinary Time, Year II

We offer a warm welcome to all new parishioners and especially to any visitors.

### Services This Week

Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	8:00 am	G C J Vieira
	10:00 am*	Fox and Rose families
	6:00 pm	The people of the parish
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Feria	
	9:30 am	Janes family
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Feria	
	9:30 am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Feria – <b>Mass in church not school</b>	
	9:30 am	Open intention
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
	9:30 am	Vieira family
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Feast of St Justin, martyr	
	9:30 am	J V O Smith – followed by Rosary
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Feria - <b>No Mass today</b>	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June Corpus Christi	8:00 am	Robert & Sean
	10:00 am*	Deceased members of the Poll family
	6:00 pm	The people of the parish

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\* Everybody is invited to join us for tea or coffee after Mass in the church hall

## **Today's Gospel**

Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity, one God in three Persons. The Gospel for this Solemnity is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. In its conclusion, Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples in today's Gospel.

The final commission, as this part of Matthew's Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. In today's Gospel, the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed them through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and they worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach. It is a task for which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples; recall that Jesus had already sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. Yet earlier, the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this final commission, the eleven are told to go to all nations. The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people, and the task is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity; this is one of the clearest attestations for Baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity found in Scripture. As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God's love.

## **Share the Journey**

Pope Francis has launched *Share the Journey*, a new global campaign to stand up for the rights of refugees and migrants. The timescale of the campaign is from now until the Pope goes to address the UN in September 2018. A week of action will also take place during Refugee Week in June. In support of the campaign, CAFOD are aiming to walk 24,901 miles - the distance around the whole world! All parishes and schools are invited to engage in this campaign. It's an act of solidarity to *Share the Journey* with our global neighbours fleeing their homes. Every step you take, together with others from across the England & Wales, will send a message to world leaders that they must step up too. They need to act with courage and compassion when they agree ambitious new UN agreements on refugees and migration in 2018. Resources are available on the CAFOD website at: <https://cafod.org.uk> - please click the campaign heading.

## **150 Club**

The monthly prize draw for May will take place today, after the 10:00 Mass in the church hall. Why not join us for a cup of coffee and then you can collect your prize in person!

## **Peter John Copple RIP**

The Requiem Mass for the Late Mr Peter Copple will be on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June. Since Mr Copple has no living relatives in England, our usual 9.30 am Mass will be celebrated as his Requiem Mass. Mr Copple will be buried with his relatives in Liverpool.

## **World Meeting of Families**

Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families, from 21<sup>st</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018, guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World". Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. The event has at its heart the following key moments: 21<sup>st</sup> August 2018, a National Opening of WMOF2018, which will take place simultaneously in all the different dioceses of Ireland. 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018, a three-day Congress. Each day will reflect on the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" chosen by the Holy Father and will include an enriching programme for adults of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children. Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018, WMOF2018 will close with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration that will gather thousands of people from Ireland and all over the world.

More information: <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en>

## **Parish Finances**

A summary of the parish finances for 2017 has been prepared and is displayed on the notice board in the narthex, with copies available for you to take away. The summary documents can also be downloaded from the parish web site.

The synopsis of the accounts is that a surplus was made for the year of just over £8000 – this was due to some generous donations received and a reduction in some areas of expenditure.

## **The Sick of the Parish**

Please pray for those who are sick or housebound: Margaret Arbon, Peggy Barron, Jason Beaumont, Michael Clarke, Deacon Peter Coates, Fabiana Di Mascio, Ron Green, Fr. David Hennessy, Jo Kelly, Molly Mc Garry, Molly & Roger Mayhew, Yvonne Metcalf, Robert Mullan, Mary O'Reilly Maureen Sparks and Ken Banbridge.

This week, it is the turn of St Mary Magdalen parish to carry out the Sunday morning visit to Ipswich Hospital to take Holy Communion to those Catholic in-patients that have requested this. Please remember these patients especially in your prayers.

Fr Mathew is preparing a list of the housebound who would like a regular visit from a priest or a Eucharistic Minister so that they can be offered adequate pastoral care. If you know someone who would like a visit from a priest, with their permission please pass on their details to Fr Mathew.

## **Our Own Dear Departed**

Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for Christopher Ward, Bridget Quigley, James Fitzgerald, Margaret McArdle, Ron Goodchild, Edith Ragoonaden, Michael Obolenely, Mary Rolfe, Alfred Morgan, Cecil Armes, Patrick Shanahan and Edward Boyle whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

On the feast of Corpus Christi, which is celebrated on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June this year, our Eucharistic Ministers will be re-commissioned at the Mass they normally attend. This is an opportunity for those who are undertaking this Ministry to renew their commitment. It also presents us with an occasion to express appreciation to all who are willing to serve our parish in this special way and to say something about the importance of this ministry. In the first place the ministers facilitate the orderly distribution of Holy Communion without that being unduly prolonged – leaving time for a time of quiet reflection once everyone is back in their places in the church. Their ministry also makes it possible for everyone at Mass to receive Holy Communion under both kinds. The third important service which Eucharistic ministers render is to bring consolation to our sick and housebound, who are enabled, by their ministry, to receive Holy Communion every week, to be united with our Sunday act of worship and, of course, to enjoy some human companionship and regular contact with the everyday life of the church in this community. If you would like to be considered to become a Eucharistic minister, please speak to Fr Mathew.

## **Offertory**

The offertory collection from all Masses on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May was £343.20. Thank you.

## **Readers Training Evening**

There will be a training evening for readers on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm. It would be a wonderful opportunity for our existing readers, who are so generous in helping us listen to the Word of God at our Sunday and weekday Masses, to reflect and pray about their ministry and the privilege of proclaiming the Word of God to us and to learn how to do it even better. If you are not a reader yet, you are welcome to attend the evening and then decide whether God is calling you to this ministry for His people. Either way, feel free to talk to Fr. Mathew or Martin Pakes our Confirmation Catechist who organises the reader's rota.

## Mass Readings Trinity Sunday (Year B) 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018

<b>Entrance Antiphon:</b>	Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.
<b>First Reading:</b>	Deut. 4:32-34, 39-40 <i>The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other.</i>
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>	Psalm 2:4-6, 9, 18-20 Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Rom. 8:14-17 <i>You received the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out "Abba, Father!"</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel:</b>	Matt. 28:16-20 <i>Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.</i>
<b>Communion Antiphon:</b>	Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

### Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham

The annual children's pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May, which is during school half term week. The day will begin with a procession from the village at 10:45 am, walking to the shrine along the former railway line, with pauses for prayers and hymns along the way, with Mass at the Chapel of Reconciliation at 12:00. After a picnic lunch at the shrine, the day will finish on the beach at nearby Wells-Next-the-Sea. More details are available from Christine Storman, tel. 01493 717121 or email [chrissies@hotmail.com](mailto:chrissies@hotmail.com).

### Celebrate East Anglia

Celebrate East Anglia is a lively Catholic, faith-filled weekend for people of all ages. It takes place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>/Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2018 at St Benedict's Catholic High School in Bury St Edmunds. The weekend consists of inspiring talks, multiple workshops, and age-appropriate groups for children and on Sunday Bishop Alan will be celebrating mass. A great opportunity in this Year of Mercy to accompany a friend and/or move along in your personal faith journey. More details can be found on the poster in the narthex, or contact Philip Walters on 07910157584. Alternatively check out the Celebrate web site for more details and a booking form - <http://www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/eastanglia/> or follow the link on the parish web site.

### Marriage and Family Celebration Mass

Bishop Alan warmly invites all married and engaged couples to attend a special Mass celebrating marriage and family at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018, 12 noon, followed by light refreshments. Certificates will be awarded to those married 1yr, 5yrs and every multiple of 5 years thereafter. For more information, and to RSVP, please contact Kerry Urdzik on 01473 251301, or email [mflc@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:mflc@rcdea.org.uk).

### Northern Saints Youth Pilgrimage

The Ignite Team is leading a pilgrimage to York, Durham, Lindisfarne and Iona for those aged between 16-35. The pilgrimage will take place from July 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> this year, and to confirm a place, bookings must be made by 15<sup>th</sup> June. More information can be found on the Diocesan web site – [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth).

### Grandparents Pilgrimage

On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, the National Grandparents Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will take place. This will commence at 11:00 am with reconciliation, music and song and include Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12 noon. More information can be found on the poster in the narthex, or from the Catholic Grandparents Association (tel. 01328 560333 or email [info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org).) Alternatively you can visit their web site [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org).