

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY, STOWMARKET.

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R.C. Diocese of East Anglia - Registered Charity No. 278742

Church of Our Lady, Stricklands Road, Stowmarket IP14 1AP

Saturday Anticipatory Mass at St Mary's Church, Woolpit IP30 9QP

Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 3rd February 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Sunday Readings: Year C. Weekdays: Year 1. Psalter: Week 4

Memorial Acclamation this week:

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**



Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus is not sent to the Jews only.

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Entrance Antiphon:

**Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations,
to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.**

Communion Antiphon:

**Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to Mass of the **Fourth Sunday of the Year.**

The Liturgy of the Word is on Page 59 in the Mass Books.

- **Second Sunday Preface; Third Eucharistic Prayer.**
- **Teas and Coffees** in the Centre after 10.15 am Mass today.

The Faithful Departed

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Tony Duggan**, of Finningham and formerly of Elmswell, who died on Monday, fortified by the Rites of the Church, having been in declining health for some years, and for all his family in their sad loss.

Tony's Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady's Church on Friday 8th February at 10.30 am. Members of the parish are warmly welcome to support Tony's family at the Mass.

Please note: No 8.00 am Mass or afternoon Exposition on Friday.

Last Weekend's Collections

Parish: Woolpit: £162; Our Lady's: £585. Parish Fabric Fund: £182. Thank you all for your generosity.

World Food Day

The 2019 World Food Day is set for Sunday 3rd March at The Cedars Hotel (3 days before Lent starts). Please make a note in your diary. The day will follow the usual format from after 10.15 Mass with home made cakes on arrival and then to enjoy lunch provided by parishioners to represent their home country or a country they have links with. Please consider catering, each year we have a fantastic culinary experience so do come along and enjoy the lunch; more details to follow or ask Carole Kelly or Simon Millyard.

Wanted

Do you have children at Mass who have made their First Holy Communion and are finding it a struggle to sit still, then please consider them for training as Altar Servers; this is a great way to get fully engaged in the Mass, support the Parish and enjoy good fellowship with the other Servers here.

All ages are welcome, full training and support is given. If you would like to know more then please call Simon Millyard on 01359 242475 or Phil Mahoney on 01449 613265.

Stowmarket and District Foodbank Update

Thank you again for your support. **Current urgent needs are tinned rice pudding, twin pack toilet rolls and all varieties of jam.** JL

A date for your Diaries

The Women's World Day of Prayer this year has been prepared by the Christian women of Slovenia. The service will be held on Friday 1st March at 10.30am and Our Lady's is the host church. We will be joined by members of the other churches in Stowmarket. As the hosts we need a good number of our own ladies to attend and welcome our guests. Please try to come along if you can. JL

Going into Ipswich Hospital

If you are going to be an inpatient at Ipswich Hospital and would like visits from a Catholic Chaplain, you need to give your details to Deacon Clive Brooks on 01206 396319. He will arrange for the chaplaincy team to make visits with Holy Communion or for the celebration of other sacraments.

Rattlesden Benefice Refugee Sponsorship Group (RBRSG) are organizing a fundraising Ceilidh on Saturday 16 March at Rattlesden Pavilion. More information and details about booking will follow. Cafod+ Group.

God bless, Father David.

Masses for the Fourth Week of the Year

Saturday, 6.00 pm (Woolpit),

4th Sunday 8.30 am, *Brian J. Dee RIP (Lee)*; 10.15 am, *Parish.*

Monday –Feria: No Mass today.

Tuesday –S Agatha: 6.30 pm, *Private intention.*

Wednesday – S Paul Miki & Co: 8.00 am, *Private intention.*

Thursday – Feria: 10.00 am, *Mary McCarthy RIP*

Friday –Feria: 10.30 am, FUNERAL MASS FOR TONY DUGGAN R.I.P.

Saturday –Our Lady: 10.00 am, *Private intention.*

6.00 pm (Woolpit), *Private intention.*

5th Sunday 8.30 am, *Parish*; 10.15 am, *Liz Palmer RIP (Giblin).*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week

Thursday only, 9.25 – 9.55 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday, 10.30 – 11.00 am; before Woolpit Mass or by appointment.

Please pray for our Sick and Housebound

Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed:

Mario Melnyk, Maria Isabel Vallarino Cantor, Vera Palmer, Sheila Joyce, Agnes Keane, Michael Henry, Silvio Camilleri, Marjorie Griffin, Jeremy Clover, Betty Cytacki, Mary Wynne-Williams. R.I.P.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February:

Human Trafficking: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Friday is a National Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking and those who work to combat it.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Parish of St Edmund, Bury St Edmunds.