

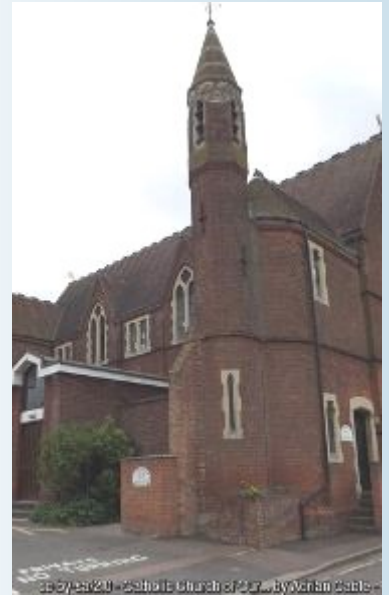
CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY, STOWMARKET.

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R.C. Diocese of East Anglia - Registered Charity No. 278742
Church of Our Lady, Stricklands Road, Stowmarket. IP14 1AW
Saturday Anticipatory Mass at St Mary's Church, Woolpit. IP30 9QP.
Parish Telephone Number: (01449) 612946.

Parish Newsletter – 29th August, 2020 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Readings: Year A. Weekdays: Year 2. Psalter: Week 2.



Masses and Prayers for this week (Public Masses on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday)

Sunday — 22 nd Sunday : 8.30am and 10.15am (Public)	Parish and for priests (Fenella)
Monday— Feria: No Mass Today	
Tuesday – Feria:	
Wednesday— Feria:	Patrick de Vere Patey (Foundation)
Thursday— St GREGORY THE GREAT—FEAST: 10.00am (Public)	Zwaantje Kemp RIP. (Mary Creane)
Friday – Feria—Mem:	
Saturday—Feria: 6.00pm (Public)	
Sunday — 23 rd Sunday : 8.30am and 10.15am (Public)	Parish + Pope's Intentions (Fenella)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): By appointment only. As lockdown prevents many Catholics from accessing the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis has encouraged them to ask forgiveness from God directly: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/pope-francis-tells-catholics-to-confess-directly-to-god/>

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August: The Maritime World— We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our Lady and St. Charles Borromeo, Wisbech.

Sick and Housebound: Please remember to pray for members of our parish who sick and housebound at this time.

Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed: Marguerite Gillespie, Zwaantje Kemp, Patrick Dongherty, Memme Sharghneny, Josephine Briggs, Margaret Harnett, Mary Hoyle, Walter Hagger, Patrick de Vere Patey, Helen McKenna, Brigid Cooper, Michael Carroll. RIP .

Welcome to the newsletter

Welcome to the newsletter for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Our Memorial Acclamation for August:

"We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again."

This Tuesday is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

On Thursday we celebrate the Feast of St Gregory the Great. St Gregory became Pope on 3rd September 590 AD. Although he craved a life of solitude and prayer, as Pope Gregory I, he did much to strengthen Christendom during a period of significant unrest as Germanic Tribes threatened Rome, Plague which also threatened the City and tense relations with the Byzantine empire.

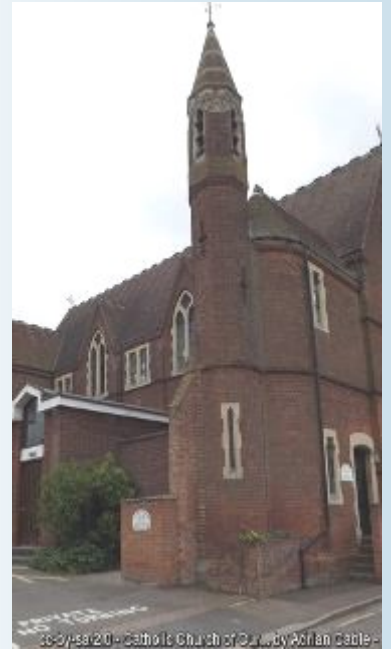
He is particular remembered for his compassion and zeal; being the responsible for St Augustine's mission to convert England. His writings about the liturgy were of significant value and his texts are still used in the Roman Missal today.

He died in 604, aged 64 years and is buried in St Peters Cathedral, where the epitaph on his tombstone reads:

"After having confirmed all his actions to his doctrines, the Great consul of God went to enjoy Eternal triumphs."

Details about coming to Mass, NHS Test and Trace Mass Registration Forms and the guidelines you need to follow; are available on the parish website (<https://ourladystowmarket.org.uk/going-to-mass/>). You can also find a summary on page 5.

For anyone unable to access the website; there are two NHS Test and Trace Mass Registration Forms for you to download and print on page 6.



News from Our Lady's

The latest guide to live streamed Masses across all East Anglia parishes: Can be found here:

https://www.rcdea.org.uk/new-guide-to-live-streamed-masses-across-east-anglia/?utm_source=Website+Signup&utm_campaign=af21cfdba7-RSS_rcdea_emailnewsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0f3efb4842-af21cfdba7-94746713

Links for Live streaming can be found by visiting the [Cathedral webpage](#), or the Bishops' Conference Webpage cbcew.org.uk.

Your Parish Newsletter: Please ensure that any items for inclusion are sent to the parish address: pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk with 'Newsletter' in the subject field.

Helping Hands Group: If you need shopping or medication fetching or know of someone in the parish who does, we will also try to cover this. Please bear in mind that we do not want to put our willing volunteers in any danger or flout the government guidelines. If you need help call **Paul McIntee on 01359 242074**.

Stowmarket and District Foodbank Update: Thank you to those of you who have continued to support the Food Bank with both goods and cash. It is very much appreciated. Thank you also to those of you who donated bed linen and household goods for those rehomed during the crisis. As the need has now reduced and the Food Bank has a good reserve of these items, we no longer require additional supplies. Current urgent needs are tinned carrots, tinned potatoes and tinned rice pudding. Other goods are, of course, very gratefully received.

Jo Lea.

Recent Collections: Collections from recent Masses on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd August:

22nd August—£176

23rd August—£427

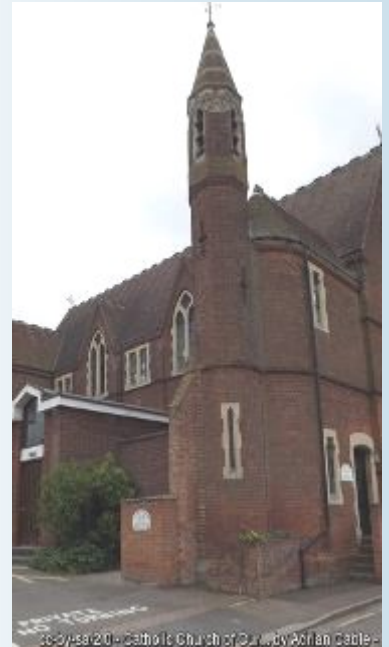
Easter Offering, total to date — £922.

Father Ioan's Leaving Gift— £890.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

Missio Red Boxes: Due to the ongoing pandemic there will be no collection of the red boxes this year. There are a few ways you can send your donations if you wish. I have had some correspondence from Missio asking for our help during these difficult times. If you feel you can donate now or at a later date this year please use any of the payment options you can find on the Missio website: <https://missio.org.uk/redbox/>.

Thanks for your ongoing support. Rae Corrigan



News from Our Lady's

CAFOD's response to coronavirus: CAFOD has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your family and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: cafod.org.uk/summerofhope.

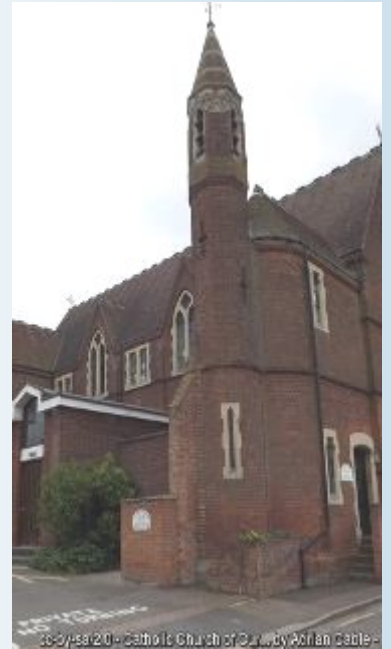
Please support this work which is saving lives. Thank you :

<https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>

You can also donate on our Just Giving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/our-lady-s-parish-stowmarket>

Thank you, Rosemary Muntus.

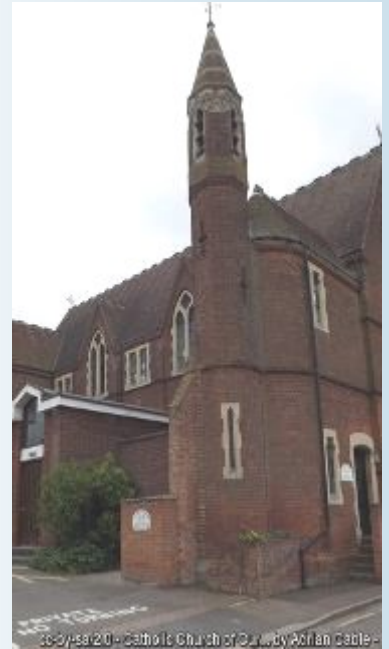


Covid-19: Attending at Mass at Our Lady's.

- The parish is required to comply with the governments Covid-19 Guidance at all times. This will be managed by the Stewards at each Mass. Failure to comply fully with the guidelines, will lead to the suspension of public Mass.
- Without exception, everyone will be asked to complete a **Registration Card** with your contact details, including the date and time of each Mass you are attending. This is a requirement of the governments NHS Test and Trace System.

You can find a Registration Card on [page 6](#) of this Newsletter. Additional Cards are available from the church, or downloadable from the [parish website](#). **Registration Cards must be completed before you arrive for Mass and put in a box which a Steward will indicate you.**

- **Do not attend** Mass if you, or any member of your household are showing [symptoms of Covid-19](#) or have been asked to Self-Isolate, regardless of whether you have made a booking previously.
- Please arrive **at least five minutes before the start of Mass**. This allows Stewards to get everyone seated and safety instructions to be read before Mass begins and ensure sufficient time to clean the church at the end of each Mass.
- Face coverings must be worn at all times. Please bring your own face covering to each Mass. Stewards will refuse entry to anyone not wearing a face mask who is required to do so by government guidelines. Instructions on receiving communion and movement within the church will be read out by a Steward before each Mass.
- Please follow the Stewards instructions about the process for receiving communion.
- Entry to the church will be via the Narthex door, nearest to Stricklands Road. If you are unable to use the steps, please ask a Steward who will make arrangements for you to enter through the porch.
- Hands must be sanitised upon entry. Hand sanitiser is provided for your use.
- You may bring your own Missal provided you take it home with you after the Mass. No other mass Books or cards will be available.
- Social Distancing inside church must be maintained at a minimum of 1mt. This will allow us to make maximum use of the permitted space. Wherever possible, Stewards will arrange for family groups to be sat together. However, Stewards may refuse entry if the church is too full.
- Please do not leave your pew until instructed to do so by one of the Stewards. This includes receiving communion or on leaving church at the end of Mass. This is to ensure that strict social distancing is maintained.
- Please do not congregate by the entrance or exit to the church to allow safe passage for all members of the congregation.
- Please listen carefully to the instructions read out at the beginning of each Mass. They will help you to stay safe and ensure the safety of those around you during the Mass and on leaving the church.



**Mass Registration Form for the
Test and Trace System ***

Date of Mass:

Time of Mass:

Name:

Phone Number:

Postcode:

*This form will be destroyed after 21 days!



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