



# Our Lady's Parish, Stowmarket

Tel. 01449 612 946 + Fr Simon Leworthy, PP + 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2021



## SACRED LITURGY

Saturday (*Vigil*), 6pm - Holy Souls

Sunday, 8.30am - "Mass for the Parish"

10.15am - Holy Souls

Monday, 10am - Holy Souls

Tuesday, 2pm - Sick, Housebound & Elderly of the Parish

Wednesday, 10am - NO MASS

Thursday, 10am - Holy Souls

Friday, 10am - Holy Souls

**FEASTS DURING THE WEEK** - MONDAY: *St Albert the Great*; TUESDAY: *St Gertrude*; WEDNESDAY: *St Hilda*; THURSDAY: *Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul*.

**Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** - Thursdays, 9 - 9.45am

**Confessions** - Saturdays, 10 - 10.45am

**Our Sick and Housebound** - are remembered in the "Mass for the Parish" each weekend.

**Recently Deceased** - Julia McIntee, Damian Hawe, Frank Mee, Barbara Millman.

**Anniversaries** - Ignacz Sztachel, Brian Walsh, Joseph Forrester, Mark Smith, Michael Ashman, John Newman, Val Daniels, Matthew & Stephen Pearmain, Melanie Vickers, Thomas Walshe, Kay Foley, Kenny Harper, Brenda Freeman.

**Collections last week** -

Vigil £195

Sunday Masses £541

Thank you

## VARIOUS CONTACTS

**PPC Chair** - Mrs Josephine Lea (01449 721544)

**Centre Bookings** - Mrs Diane Bowden (01449 672527)

**Stowmarket & District Foodbank** - Mrs Josephine Lea

**Missions** - Mrs Annie Bowen-Wright

**CAFOD** - Mrs Rosemary Muntus

**Parish Website** - ourladystowmarket.org.uk

**Items for Bulletin** - pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk

**Stowmarket Foodbank** - If you are able to donate any goods, they can be left either in the narthex of the church or in the Parish Centre. Any cash donations can be put into the *Catholic Centre* letter box in an envelope marked "Food Bank." Your continued support is appreciated. If you would like to make a regular contribution this may be done by means of setting up a Standing Order. Taxpayers can gift-aid their contributions. Forms are available from Mrs J. Lea.

**CAFOD** - Thanks to everyone who came to the recent COP26 supper. *Family fast* Donations can be sent via [justgiving.com/fundraising/our-lady-s-parish-stowmarket](http://justgiving.com/fundraising/our-lady-s-parish-stowmarket).

**Synodal Path** - a questionnaires will be distributed to each parishioner and will need to be returned by 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. There is a post box in the Narthex for this purpose.

**The Icon of the Holy Family** - which is on its way around the Diocese, is here with us, this weekend, for our earnest devotion and prayer. Please take a prayer-card with you.

**Morning Coffee/Tea** - will be served in the *Centre*, this Sunday, after 10.15 Mass.

**Missions** - Red boxes may be picked up for refilling. They are on the table in the entry of the church. Mission Calendars are available on the Paper Table.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, 2022



❖ **Children's Session 2** - 9.20-10.10am, *Catholic Centre*, 14<sup>th</sup> November.

❖ **1<sup>st</sup> Parents' Session** - 9.30 - 10am, *Catholic Centre* (upstairs), 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Mass for the Sick, Housebound, & Elderly:** Everyone is welcome. Tea will be served following Mass, and we look forward to catching up with friends, old and new.

**World Youth Day East Anglia**- All young people, Year 7 and upwards, are invited to this event, Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, 12pm-8pm, at the Cathedral. See noticeboards for further details.

## St Bernard - from a Homily on All Saints

CALLING THE SAINTS to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself. We long to share in the citizenship of heaven, to dwell with the spirits of the Blessed, to join the assembly of Patriarchs, the ranks of the Prophets, the council of Apostles, the great host of Martyrs, the noble company of Confessors and the choir of Virgins.



IN SHORT, we long to be united in happiness with all the Saints. But our dispositions change. The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The Saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them.

COME, BRETHREN, let us at length spur ourselves on. We must rise again with Christ, we must seek the world which is above and set our mind on the things of heaven.