



Our Lady's Parish, Stowmarket

Tel. 01449 612 946 + Fr Simon Leworthy, PP + 9th January, 2022



SACRED LITURGY

Saturday (*Vigil*), 6pm - + Fr Dennis Allen

Sunday, 8.30am - "Mass for the Parish"

10.15am - + Alek Grzedzicki (Grzedzicki)

Monday, 10am - + Maria de Souza (Foundation)

Tuesday, 10am - + Audrey Smart (Foundation)

Wednesday, 10am - + Stefan Cytaki (Foundation)

Thursday, 10am - + Fr Gerard Beeson

Friday, 12pm - *Requiem Mass* for Paula Johannes

FEASTS DURING THE WEEK - Thursday: *St Hilary*.

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 - Eileen Jones, Zoltan Borzak, Paula Johannes, Ray Poulton

Anniversaries - George Winward, Maria de Souza, Margo Quinn, Gabriel Brooks, James McGuire, Audre Smart, Stefan Cytaki, Diana Emeny, Cyril Freman, Bridget Dunn, Elizabeth Barnes, Dee Davies, Kevin Peck, John Francis, Elizabeth Dunbar, Michael Murphy.

Collections last week -

Vigil £158

Sunday Masses £440

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. The Food Bank is always grateful for any contributions. Any cash donations can be put into the *Catholic Centre* letter box in an envelope marked "*Food Bank.*" Your continued support is appreciated.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, 2022

❖ **Children's Session 8**, 9.20-10.10am,
Sunday, 9th January, *Catholic Centre*.

❖ **Parents' Session 2**, 9.20-10am, Sunday,
14th January, *Catholic Centre*.

Synodal Path - Thanks to all who contributed their thoughts on the Ten Questions. Thanks especially to The Parish Team, who will now collate your answers ready for sending to the diocese.

Churches Together Combined Service - It is Our Lady's turn, this year, to have this Service, during the *Octave for Christian Unity*. We shall have *Sunday Vespers* here, at 6pm, on Sunday, 23rd January; during which a Minister, from one of the other Christian Communities, has kindly agreed to preach. Please make a point of coming, if you can, and make these brothers and sisters very welcome in our Parish.

CAFOD - *World Gifts* brochures are available on the paper-table for New Year shopping.

Missions - Mission calendars are available in the Narthex.

POPE ST LEO THE GREAT "ON THE EPIPHANY"

THE STORY OF the magi is not only a bygone fact in history, but of everyday application to ourselves. venerated by us with holy worship: and today those joys must be entertained in our hearts which existed in the breasts of the three magi, when, aroused by the sign and leading of a new star, which they believed to have been promised, they fell down in presence of the King of heaven and earth.



FOR THAT DAY has not so passed away that the mighty work, which was then revealed, has passed away with it, and that nothing but the report of the thing has come down to us for faith to receive and memory to celebrate; seeing that, by the oft-repeated gift of God, our times daily enjoy the fruit of what the first age possessed.

AND THEREFORE, ALTHOUGH the narrative which is read to us from the Gospel properly records those days on which the three men, who had neither been taught by the prophets' predictions nor instructed by the testimony of the law, came to acknowledge God from the furthest parts of the East, yet we behold this same thing more clearly and abundantly carried on now in the enlightenment of all those called.

Diocesan Yearbook & Calendar - is available in the Narthex at £2/copy.

Christmas Crib Offerings will be sent to *Friends of the Holy Land*. Offerings will help the poorest Christian families - especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel - with education and employment, and with health and housing costs.

A Happy, Holy and Prosperous New Year to you all. As the new year begins, I should like to thank all parishioners for their support of the Parish. I appreciated your kind cards and gifts over Christmas and New Year. **Very good of you.**