



Our Lady's Parish, Stowmarket



Tel. 01449 612 946 + Fr Simon Leworthy, PP + 18th February, 2024

SACRED LITURGY

Saturday, (*Vigil, Woolpit*), 6pm - + Nick Tovey (Wild)

Sunday, 8.30am - *Mass for the Parish*

10.15am - + Nuel-Junior Dzemnjo (*Anniv.*) (Dzemnjo)

Monday, 10am - + Mollie Shaw (Foundation)

Tuesday, 10am - health of HM the King

Wednesday, 10am - + Adelaide Clutterbuck, Foundress

Thursday, 10am - + Nuel-Junior Dzemnjo (*Anniv.*) (Dzemnjo)

Friday, 10am - + Fr Harry Leis

FEASTS DURING THE WEEK - Wednesday: *St Peter Damian*; Thursday: *Chair of St Peter*; Friday: *St Polycarp*.

Confessions - Saturdays

10 - 10.45am, Stowmarket; 5.30 - 5.50pm, Woolpit

Holy Rosary - Sunday, 8.10am

OUR SICK/HOUSEBOUND - *especially: Ivona Marcellus-Boot, Josephine Buchanan, Catherine Hayward, Terri Thornton, Veronica Hughes, Marjorie Shorter, Geoffrey Johannes, Nuala Rickards* - are remembered in the "*Mass for the Parish*" each weekend. Please do pray for them.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Joanna Barker, Christine Smith, Nick Tovey, David McCluskie.

ANNIVERSARIES - Ninetta Burton, Mollie Shaw, Mary Atkin, Veronica Ritzema, Mary Matthew, Julian Llewellyn, Godfrey Parker, May Ovington, David Donaghy, Raymonde Stables, Patricia Rednall, Beatrice Llewellyn, Edith Dade, Bobbie Vincent, Vera Doolin, Adelaide Clutterbuck, Nuel-Junior Dzemnjo, Nicholas Zarkos, Gladys Fordham, Joe Fsadna.

Collections last week -

Vigil (*Woolpit*) £147

Sunday £526

Thank you

VARIOUS CONTACTS

Parish Website - www.ourladystowmarket.org.uk

Items for Bulletin - pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk

PPC Chair - Mr Paul McIntee

Centre Bookings - Mrs Diane Bowden (01449 672527)

Missions - Mrs Annie Bowen-Wright

Stowmarket & District Foodbank - Mrs Josephine Lea

CAFOD - Mrs Pat Keating.

Safeguarding - Maria Whiting (01449 613681) and Paul McIntee (07860 511487)

Have you noticed the friendly welcomers as you come into Sunday Mass? We are looking for new people to take on this important role, especially at 8.30 Mass, but also at the 10.15. It is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners and a valued service to the parish. Please speak to the welcomers on duty or contact Fenella Ford fenthegem@aol.co.uk

Lenten Alms this year, will be sent to *Aid to the Church in Need*, which is the preferred charity in the Diocese of East Anglia. A vessel for your Lenten Alms is on the Gifts Table at the back of the church.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coffee & Chat - 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 2-4pm, in the *Centre*.

CAFOD - *Lenten Family Fast Day*, Friday, 23rd February. Envelopes will be available in the Narthex, and may be placed on the Sunday collection plate or sent directly to CAFOD.

Coffee is served in the *Catholic Centre* after 10.15 Mass

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF ST PETER, 22ND FEBRUARY



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THIS FEAST BRINGS to mind the mission of Teacher and Pastor conferred by Christ on St Peter, and continued in an unbroken line down to the present Pope. We celebrate the unity of the Church, founded upon the Apostle Peter, and renew our assent to *The Tradition* (literally: "what has been handed on to us"). This is expressed through the *Magisterium* (teaching) of the Roman Pontiff and of all the bishops, when they speak *ex "from the Chair."*

THE FEAST OF the Chair of St Peter at Rome has been celebrated from the early days of the Church on 18 January, in commemoration of the day when St Peter first gathered the Church together in Rome. The feast of the Chair of St Peter at Antioch, commemorating his foundation of the See of Antioch, has also been long celebrated at Rome, on 22 February. At each place a chair (*cathedra*) was venerated which the Apostle had used during the celebration of Holy Mass.

COLLECT

GRANT, WE PRAY, Almighty God, that no tempests may disturb us, for You have set us fast on the Rock of the Apostle Peter's confession of faith; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOOD BANK UPDATE: If you can donate any goods, they can be left either in the Narthex or in the *Catholic Centre*. Any cash donations can be put into the *Centre* letter-box in an envelope marked **FOODBANK**.

Please check your post-box regularly for communications.

Walk with Me booklets, for **Lent** - are available in the Narthex.