



The Parish Newsletter

"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit". Mt. 28:19

Year A 12th - 19th April 2026

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DATE	TIME	MASS/INTENTION/FEAST
Sunday 12 th July 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	M 09:00 am B 11:00 am	Sunday Mass (Second Collection) Stella Maris
Tuesday 14 th July	M 10:00 am	Weekday Mass Mass Intention + Nigel Caldecott
Wednesday 15 th July	B 10:00 am	Weekday Mass
Thursday 16 th July	M 10:00 am	Weekday Mass
Friday 17 th July	B 10:00 am	Weekday Mass
Sunday 19 th July 16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	M 09:00 am B 11:00 am	Sunday Mass

PARISH FINANCES

Please note that there are many ways to support our parish. The preferred option is by standing order or regular transfer, details below

1. Web Card donation using the DONA button on the parish website.
 2. Cheques made payable to Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish
 3. Cash donations- please help if you can by donating cash or cheques at the offertory in the baskets provided during service or at the back of the church.
- Donations can also be given for mass intention and when lighting candles for special private intentions.

4 Parish bank account details: Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish Lloyds Bank Sort code 30-98-58 A/C No.00489176.

C Diocese of East Anglia Registered Charity 27874

Treasurer - Philip Kemp.

Total Offertory donations for JUNE £3336.55

Cash £1530.12, Bank Transfers £1503.00, Cheques £240.00

DONA Website donations £63.43



OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS – IMAGE COURTESY ST. THOMAS-ST. JOHN PARISH.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Please note, it is a requirement of the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA), which is our churches national safeguarding organisation, that children who need to use the toilet while in church **must always** be accompanied by an adult.

FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH AND THOSE THAT CARE FOR THEM

Please remember to pray at this time for **Stephen Dean, Sue Dean, Des Neville, Eugene Armour, Yan Cheung, Kath Cottrell, Frances Rutterford** and all in our parish who are challenged with health issues or need our support at this time.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be ...

For those who sow seeds of goodness in our parish community: For parents and grandparents as well as carers, priests, teachers and all who help others to grow in faith and love. May they be encouraged in their ministry,

Lord in your mercy

PARISH PICNIC & BBQ

For those joining us today, Sunday 12th July, starting at 1.30pm.

The address for the event is Silverlea, Freckenham Rd. Worlington IP28 8SN.

An annual event in our parish diary, hosted by John & Sinead Bruton in the garden of their home. A wonderful opportunity for our parish family to gather, enjoying each others company and sharing a meal together. John asks that you bring something to sit on for the picnic, a chair or rug, drinks available on the day for a donation. Raffle squares (£1 each) are on sale this week after mass at rear of each church and at the event. Plenty of parking available. Forecast is sunny 26 Deg C., so bring a hat too.

CHURCH READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND ALTAR SERVERS

Are you interested in becoming a reader or eucharistic minister?

Would any of our young people like to train as altar servers (daily and/or Sunday mass)?

If so, please speak to Fr Anil or a member of the PPC.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

We will be commencing our children's liturgy in September at St. Thomas Brandon which will be run by Angie & Erika, detail are to follow

50/50 CLUB

If anyone wishes to join the 50/50 club draw, please contact Bernard Camenzuli at St John's Church or by email. The draw of 1st Prize of £20.00, 2nd Prize of £15 and 3rd Prize of £10 is held each month.

Winners of the June draw, numbers selected at random.

1st 33 Janet Murphy , 2nd 101 Carol London, 3rd Dr John Bruton

Dates for your diary

Holy Days of Obligation	
Aug. 16 th	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Aug. 15 th)
Nov. 1 st	All Saints
Dec. 25 th	The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Parish Dates / Events	
	Watch this space !

Second Collection Dates	
Sept. 13 th	Catholic Education Service
Sept. 20 th	Bishops' Conference
Oct. 4 th	Mission Appeal (details to follow)
Oct. 18 th	MISSIO (The Assoc. for the Propagation of the Faith)
Dec. 13 th	Diocesan Dependent Priests' Fund

Did you know....

The liturgical calendar "maps out", if you will, events that we remember about the Paschal Mystery, as well as events and saints that remind us about God's mercy. It revolves around a week that peaks when we remember and make-present the sacrifice of Christ every Sunday.

The weeks can encompass larger units of time we call seasons like Advent when we long for the coming of Christ, Christmas when we are overjoyed in the nativity of Christ, Lent when we commemorate the Passion of Christ, and Easter when we rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ.

There are some weeks, however, that don't fall in any of the seasons, so we "count" them instead. That is why we hear *First Sunday*, or *Second Sunday*, or *Third Sunday* and so on. A number that defines a position in a series is called an *ordinal number*, or *ordinal* for short. This is why we call time that doesn't fall in a season, "ordinary time" because it is counted. In this sense, "ordinary" doesn't mean not special, or common.