



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 8th Mar - 15th Mar 2026

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MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

DAY	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION/FEAST
Sunday 8th Mar 2026	M 09.00 am	SUNDAY MASS
3rd SUNDAY OF LENT	B 11.00 am	Mass intention Offered for Paul Vallack (RIP)
Tuesday 10th Mar 2026	M 10.00 am	Mass Commemoration of Saint John of God, Religious
Wednesday 11th Mar 2026	B 10:00 am	Mass
Thursday 12th Mar 2026	M 10.00 am	Mass
Friday 13th Mar 2026	B 11.00am	FUNERAL MASS FOR TOM BLONG (RIP) St Thomas church, Brandon.
Next Sunday 15th Mar 2026	M 09.00 am	SUNDAY MASS
4rd SUNDAY OF LENT	B 11.00 am	

Many thanks for all your generosity in helping the parish with funding.

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 home page.
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 acc details: Brandon & Mildenhall Catholic Parish Lloyds

Bank Sort code 30-98-58 A/C No.00489176.

Contact Philip Kemp Treasurer

RC Diocese of East Anglia Registered Charity 27874

WEEKDAY MASSES

Masses during the week at Brandon and Mildenhall are as per the schedule at the front of this newsletter. Also, **please note the schedule for the Lenten Retreat on 22nd March 2026 on the back page.**

**REQUIEM MASS for the repose of the soul of Tom Blong RIP
AT ST THOMAS CHURCH, BRANDON**

On Friday 13th March 2026 at 11.00 a.m. This will replace the normal services at St Thomas' Brandon on this day.

WINTER WARMER LUNCHEON FUND RAISER

We are looking forward to seeing you all today at our winter warmer Luncheon at 1.00 pm (start) at St John's, Mildenhall. If you wish to buy more raffle tickets, please see Chris Burrell. Many thanks.

50/50 CLUB DRAW FEBRUARY 2026 (Drawn 1 Mar 2026)

1st Prize No. 113 Carol London

2nd Prize No. 25 Gill Caple

3rd Prize No. 45 Christopher Liwak

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, Janet Kemp, Eugene Armour, Yan Cheung, Kath Cottrell** and all in our parish who are challenged with health issues or need our support at this time.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be ...

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE.

During this New Year 2026, let us continue to pray for peace in the world. Let the message of Christ unite us as one world to live together in love and harmony.

****BISHOP INVITATION TO THE CHRISM MASS - NORWICH CATHEDRAL****

We have been invited to this special service which will be held on Tuesday 31st March at 11:30 in St John the Baptist Cathedral, Norwich. The Bishop, joined by the priests of the diocese gather at the Cathedral to celebrate the Chrism Mass. If you are interested

please sign up on the sheet that is at the back of the church

and if we get enough numbers, we can organise a bus to take us to Norwich.

Many thanks, Fr Anil

****The Month of March celebrates St Joseph****

The whole month of March is dedicated to St Joseph, and his feast is celebrated on 19 March. He is the patron of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers, travellers, immigrants and a happy death. He is recommended as a powerful intercessor and friend by countless saints and Popes.

“There are many saints to whom God has given the power to assist us in the necessities of life, but the power given to St Joseph is unlimited: it extends to all our needs, and all those who invoke him with confidence are sure to be heard.” (St Thomas Aquinas)

www.rcdea.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/CEA-March-26.pdf

FOOD BANK— MILDENHALL

If you are able to donate any items for the food bank,(tins, dry goods, cereal, hygiene products etc. all in date) please remember that they are collected on the First Sunday of Every month at St John’s. For any further information, please see John or Sinead Bruton.

Many thanks as always for your generosity.

St Thomas and St John
PARISH LENTEN
RETREAT

"Love One Another"

*"Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic,
love one another, be compassionate and humble".
1 Peter 3:8 (NIV)*

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22nd March 2026
9:30am (Holy Mass) - 3:30pm
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We are called to be a community together, supporting
and encouraging each other in Faith and fellowship.

HOLY MASS · PRAYER · PRAISE · INSPIRING TALKS

Saint John the Evangelist, Saint John's Close,
Mildenhall, Suffolk IP28 7NX

St Thomas and St John
RETREAT TIMETABLE
Sunday 22nd March 2026
"Love One Another"

9:30 Holy Mass
10:15 Refreshments and Comfort Break
10:40 Welcome and Introduction
10:50 Praise & Worship
11:15 Morning Session with Andy Stayne
12:00 Announcements
12:15 Light Lunch
(12:30 – 13:30 confessions & prayer ministry)
1:35 Praise & Worship
1:55 Introduction to the afternoon session
2:00 Lenten Reflection with Mags Slane
2:20 Adoration
3:00 Reposition
3:15 Prayers for the Parish & thanksgiving
3:30 Day concludes

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PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2026 AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH MILDENHALL

There will be no mass at St Thomas's church on this date.

Our Sunday mass will be a joint mass for both churches starting at 9.30. Please ensure that you sign up on the sheets provided at the back of both churches if you wish to be a part of the Lenten Retreat at the latest by the Thursday (19th March) prior to the retreat. This is in order to gauge numbers for the light lunch for those attending.

Many thanks, Fr Anil.