

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh (and All Saints, Leiston, IP16 4BA)

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18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4th AUGUST 2024

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* Alec Gray RIP
Sunday (4th) 0915 Leiston
1100 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

Monday No Mass Today

Tuesday 0900 Leiston

Wednesday 0900 Aldeburgh

Thursday 0900 Leiston

Friday 0900 Aldeburgh

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* Hilda Donovan RIP

Sunday (11th) 0915 Leiston Bridie Whelan RIP
1100 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvjwGLRDw/livestreaming

We extend a warm welcome to those who are visitors with us this weekend.

Do pop in for tea/coffee which is served in the hall after the Mass at Leiston. All welcome.

Live streaming – Many apologies that this has not been available during this past week, nor this weekend. It is a fault at our end and hopefully it will be fixed later this week.

Feasts of the week: Tuesday – The Transfiguration of the Lord; Thursday – St Dominic; Friday – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein, Patron of Europe).

ORGANISTS REQUIRED both at Leiston and Aldeburgh. Do you know anyone who can help?

Mission Today – the “red Missio box” summer magazine is now available at the back of church. It has some great information about the church’s mission work in various parts of the world. Do help yourself to a copy.

Sacred Space (chanting, meditation, readings), first Saturday of the month at All Saints, Leiston. 4.00-5.00pm. All are

welcome and for more information call Caroline on 01728 832044

The Missionary Society of St Paul, who made the recent Mission Appeal in the parish have sent a Letter of Appreciation, which you will find on the notice board.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – 23rd – 30th August. Booking forms and information can be found at the back of church.

The Diocesan Marriage Tribunal is seeking new Volunteers to be Lay Auditors. The work entails obtaining statements from witnesses in nullity cases. Training will be given. Have a word with me if you would like further information.

March for Life: The March for Life UK will take place in London on Saturday 7th September 2024. There are many attempts at the moment to further liberalise abortion in the UK and to silence those offering any alternative viewpoint, whether that’s ‘pills by post’ abortions, ‘decriminalisation’, buffer zones or censorship on pro-life students at universities. The dangers of these situations are being highlighted by the theme for this year’s March for Life which is ‘Abortion isn’t Healthcare’. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at www.marchforlife.co.uk If you are interested in attending please contact our Diocesan Pro Life Rep, Katy Torcat, for local travel information from the Diocese: katytorcat@gmail.com

Suffolk Churches annual Cycle Ride and Stride will take place on Saturday 14th September. I have sponsor forms for those wishing to take part. 50% of your money will go to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the other 50% to our parish.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week’s plate collection was £324.17p. We are also grateful for the generous weekly Standing Orders, which currently amount to about £690 per week. Have you set up a Standing Order with the parish? It’s easy: ‘St Peter’s Catholic Church Parish Account’ Sort Code 20-98-07: a/c number: 90777048. **And for Gift Aid purposes, the Charity number for the diocese is 278742.**

The recent Appeal for **The Missionary Society of St Paul** amounted to: £491.22p

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick and housebound in the parish and all whose anniversaries occur at this time of the year.

For those parishioners going on holiday over the next few weeks, have a safe journey and an enjoyable break.

Every blessing.

Fr David

Readings for 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

First reading

Exodus 16:2-4,12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."'

And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 77(78):3-4,23-25,54

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven.

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food;
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had won.

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second reading

Ephesians 4:17,20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;
No one can come to the Father except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,
you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs

but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,

but work for food that endures to eternal life,

the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you,
for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: *He gave them bread from heaven to eat.*' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,

it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven,
it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven,
the true bread;

for the bread of God

is that which comes down from heaven

and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry;
he who believes in me will never thirst.'