

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

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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st SEPTEMBER 2024

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (1st)	0915 Leiston	
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Piers Lidvall
Monday	1130 Aldeburgh*	Funeral Mass for Mo Plewman
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Archbishop Keating (FM)
Thursday	0900 Leiston	Russell (FM)
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Aideen Hall (FM)
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (8th)	0915 Leiston	
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Eric Sandon RIP

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvjpgLRDw/livestreaming

We extend a warm welcome to those who are visitors with us this weekend and wish you a pleasant stay in beautiful Suffolk.

Tea/coffee is served in the hall after the Sunday Mass at Leiston. All welcome.

This Sunday is the annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation providing "an opportunity for each of us to renew our personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live" (Pope Francis).

On Monday there is the Funeral Mass for Mo Plewman. Before moving from Thorpeness to London to be closer to her family, Mo was an active member of our parish.

Feasts of the week: Tuesday – St Gregory the Great. Baptist.

Meeting of the Parochial Pastoral Council: The next meeting of our newly established Council will take place on 30th September at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall, Leiston. The Council has ten members currently, but all members of the parish are invited to attend and contribute. An agenda will be published nearer the time and the minutes of the meeting will be published afterwards. An important item on the agenda will be questions the Bishop will be circulating as part of his consultation on structures in the diocese. If you would like any more information, or would like to attend but need a lift, please contact Chris Quinn, chrismquinn@me.com, 07886795380.

Leiston Churches Together Harvest Celebration to be held this year at St Margaret's Church at 3 pm on the 8th September. Harvest Celebration to be followed by Bring and Share tea. Look forward to seeing you all there to celebrate God's harvest for us all. Also, the following week our United Prayer Gathering is at All Saints' Catholic Church on Tuesday 12th September at 10 am. All welcome.

Prayer for Vocations: Each weekend a particular parish in the diocese is selected to offer prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Next weekend it's our turn! We will have a bidding prayer for vocation, if you could also remember the intention in your personal prayers, it would be much appreciated.

We are still looking for an organist at both Aldeburgh and Leiston. Do you know anyone who can help?

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

Eucharistic Congress – Saturday 14th September at Oscott College, Birmingham. Each deanery of the diocese is asked to send two representatives. If you are interested, then have a word with me. It will be an early start. There will be a coach travelling from the diocese, but I'm not sure yet of the pickup point.

Suffolk Churches annual Cycle Ride and Stride will take place on Saturday 14th September. There are sponsors forms, together with lists of open churches, at the back of church. 50% of your money will go to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the other 50% to our parish.

We also need welcomers to be at the church and to sign people in. Can you spare an hour? Then sign up at the back of church – Many thanks.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £409.55. 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.**

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 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

First reading **Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8**

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 14(15):2-5**

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second reading **James 1:17-18,21-22,27**

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

Gospel Acclamation **Jn6:63,68**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;
you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23**

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service,
while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless,
the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'