

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (30th)	0915 Leiston	John Harvey RIP
	1100 Aldeburgh*	

Monday	No Mass today	
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	Fr Peter Dwyer RIP
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Codrington (FM)
Thursday	0900 Leiston	
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Monica Lloyd (FM)
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (6th)	0915 Leiston	Ints of Lidvall families
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Agnes McDonald RIP

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvjwgLRDw/livestreaming

We extend a warm welcome to those visiting our parish this Bank Holiday weekend and thank you for your offertory gift, which you can 'gift aid' by using one of the envelopes at the back of church.

Refreshments served in the hall after the Sunday Mass at Leiston. All welcome.

It is a great joy this Sunday at Leiston to welcome Alfie into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

The September issue of the Diocesan Newspaper is now available at the back of church – it includes an article by Carole Wilson on our July Jubilee celebrations.

Feast Days this week: Tuesday – World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; Thursday – St Gregory the Great.

The SVP Summer Raffle is here! Multiple prizes from £100 to £5,000! SVP members will be selling tickets after Masses this weekend. £1 per ticket, £5 per book.

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is coming up for its Second Reading on 11th September. Do encourage your MP to vote **NO**. **Not dead yet UK** have provided postcards you can send to your MP, fill out your details, add a stamp and post it today!

Aid to the Church in Need talk and appeal at Masses on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September: Neville Kyrke-Smith, former National Director of ACN, will be giving an appeal talk on behalf of Aid to the Church in Need at Masses over the weekend of Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September. As many of you know, ACN provides vital help to those who are persecuted and oppressed for their faith or in dire pastoral need. Neville looks forward to updating you on the work of this wonderful Catholic charity and to thanking so many in the parish for their support over the years. He will have some ACN rosaries from the Holy Land, small icons and other items available to buy after Mass.

Eucharistic Congress Ipswich – Invitation. From the 6th – 13th of September, Ipswich will hold its very first Eucharistic Congress. You may not have heard the word "Congress" before. A Eucharistic Congress is simply the Church gathering together, in one place, to adore Our Lord in the Eucharist, to be taught about this great gift, and to be sent back out to our parishes renewed. Great cities have held them for well over a hundred years, drawing hundreds of thousands of people. Ours is smaller and closer to home – a gathering of the parishes of the Ipswich area – but it carries exactly the same heart: to place Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, at the very centre of our life together. For one week, the prayer of our parishes will be centred entirely on Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This is a shared work of the parishes of the Ipswich Deanery of Saint Edward, in our Diocese's Jubilee Year – and it belongs not to one parish, but to us all. Here is what the week holds. It begins in our Catholic schools. On the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the Ignite team will be visiting the pupils – bringing the faith to life for our young people – and all our Catholic schools will come together for whole-school Masses, joined as one. Across the week there will also be time for adoration – quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament – offered across the whole deanery, so that every parishioner can find a moment to spend with Our Lord (*Here in our parish we will have 15 minutes of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after each Sunday Mass next weekend*). And then everything leads to Sunday the thirteenth of September. That day, the Church of Ipswich will gather for the great Mass of the Congress – the principal Mass of the day, celebrated by our Bishop. This is the moment the whole week has been building towards. But it is not only the Mass. There will be inspiring talks from international guest speakers, and – the heart of the day – a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Ipswich, carrying Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament to the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace. To walk together through Ipswich,

publicly, behind Jesus in the Eucharist, will be something none of us will forget.

It is important to register. It is completely free, but seats are genuinely limited, so please don't leave it. You can register at eucharisticcongressipswich.org Don't forget to perhaps offer a lift to someone who might not otherwise be able to get there.

Suffolk Churches annual Cycle Ride and Stride will take place on Saturday 12th September. If you would like to take part, either by cycling or walking, then pick up a sponsor form, together with list of open churches, from the back of church. 50% of your money will go to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the other 50% to our parish. The funds raised make a massive contribution to the preservation and future of the historic churches and chapels of Suffolk. If you love cycling or walking, then this is a good one for you!

We also need volunteers to welcome those visiting our churches on the day. Can you spare an hour? Sign up at Leiston and Aldeburgh.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Faith & Light, part of the L'Arche family supporting those living with learning difficulties/special needs and their families, invite all with leaning difficulties or special needs to a join them at their pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 5th September. A light lunch is available at the Village Hall in Walsingham High Street from 12.00 noon, we walk the Holy Mile at 13.00 and celebrate Mass together in the Chapel of Reconciliation at 15.00.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection £319.05. We are also grateful for the generous weekly Standing Orders, which currently amount to about £826 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. **For Gift Aid purposes, the Charity number for the diocese is 278742.**

The collection for the Mission Appeal raised £520.15p, Many thanks.

We remember those who are sick and housebound in the parish and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Every blessing for the coming week Fr David

Readings for 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First reading

Jeremiah 20:7-9

O Lord, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', there

is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 63(62):2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9. R2b

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

O God, you are my God; at dawn I seek you;
for you my soul is thirsting.
For you my flesh is pining,
like a dry, weary land without water.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

I have come before you in the sanctuary,
to behold your strength and your glory.
Your loving mercy is better than life;
my lips will speak your praise.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

I will bless you all my life;
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet;
with joyful lips, my mouth shall praise you.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

For you have been my strength;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings fast to you;
your right hand upholds me.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

Second reading

Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

At that time: Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and

on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.'