

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28th September 2025

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

Sunday (28th) 0915 Leiston

1100 Aldeburgh* Benefactors of the
parish

Monday No Mass today

Tuesday No Mass today

Wednesday 0900 Aldeburgh*

Thursday 0900 Leiston

Friday 0900 Aldeburgh*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

Sunday (5th) 0915 Leiston

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 weekend and thank you for your offertory gift, which you can 'gift aid' by using one of the envelopes in your row of seats, or from the back of church.

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

Please note that as well as Monday there will be no Mass on Tuesday this week.

Diocesan Newspaper – October issue is now available at the back of church. It's free!

Feasts this week: Monday – SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael; Tuesday – St Jerome; Wednesday – St Therese of the Child Jesus; Thursday – The Holy Guardian Angels; Friday – CAFOD Harvest Fast Day; Saturday – St Francis of Assisi.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day – this coming Friday: Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share

God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Pick up a CAFOD envelope found at the back of church (there are also prayer cards) and return in next week's second collection, or donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

First Communion Programme for 2026. Please let me have the names asap of those who are at the stage of making their First Confession and Communion next summer. Year 3 and upwards.

Would holders of red Missio boxes please bring them to Mass in the next couple of weeks so that our contributions can be paid. As the labels on the boxes are so tiny, please write your name and address and contact details on a piece of paper and pop it into your box. There are spare boxes at the back of both churches, please take a replacement, or indeed a first one if you would like to start using one. Copies of the latest Missio newsletter are also at the back of both churches, please help yourselves. I am very happy to collect and deliver if getting to either church is inconvenient for you - Elizabeth Clark 07951 596 852.

The 'End of Life' Bill is currently passing through Second Reading in the House of Lords. At the back of church you will find copies of a Statement by Archbishop John Sherrington of Liverpool on behalf of the Bishops' Conference which addresses the fundamental issues that are at stake. We are being urged to write to peers as they consider the Bill.

Diocesan Retreat Day for Women 2025: "Waiting in Hope". With talks given by the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham, this highly popular retreat day will take place on Saturday 15th November in OLEM, Cambridge. Places are limited! Booking essential! Booking Form and all information found here: www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/ Please direct all enquiries to mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

The Recent Canonisation of St Pier Giorgio Frassati and St Carlo Acutis: The Church rejoiced to witness His Holiness Pope Leo XIV conduct the proclamation of Canonisation of St Pier Giorgio Frassati and St Carlo Acutis in St Peter's Square on Sunday 7th September. Both Saints offer an inspiring example of holiness for the Universal Church, and both present a profile that will be of particular import for younger people, with St Carlo being the first to be canonised from the 'Millennial' generation.

John Henry Newman as Doctor of the Church: The Church, and most particularly here in England, rejoices in the news that Pope Leo will soon declare St John Henry Newman a Doctor of the Church, ranking him amongst the greatest theologians whose writings have been formally recognised as reference points of Catholic Tradition.

Grasp the Big Picture of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, with this FREE world-renowned course

presented live online by Mauro Iannicelli. Starts Wednesday 1st October at 7pm. (concluding on Wednesday 19th November) Information and Registration: comeandsee.org

Weekend retreat for couples whose marriages are in crisis, or who are having difficulties in their marriage. A Lifeline for Trouble Marriages. Help is available. Marriage support - Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help with deeper issues? Next in-person programme 17th - 19th October 2025 in Welwyn Garden City. For more information visit: www.retrouaille.org.uk Tel: +44 7887 296 983

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £193.00p. We are also grateful for the generous weekly Standing Orders, which currently amount to about £640 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.**

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

Every blessing for the coming week ~ Fr David

Readings for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

First reading

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts: 'Woe to those who are at ease in Sion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria.

'Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146(145): 7. 8-9a. 9b-10. R5a

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who preserves fidelity for ever,
who does justice to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free.

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who opens the eyes of the blind,
the Lord who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord who protects the stranger.

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

The Lord upholds the orphan and the widow,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,
your God, O Sion, from age to age.

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second reading

1 Timothy 6:11-16

O man of God, pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time — he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus Christ, though he was rich,
yet for your sake he became poor,
so that you by his poverty might become rich.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

At that time: Jesus said to the Pharisees, 'There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not do so, and none may cross from there to us." And he said, "Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — so that he

may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment." But Abraham said, "They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them." And he said, "No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead."