

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

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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 5th November 2023

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday:	1800 Aldeburgh*	Gerry Gray and John de Boer RIP
Sunday (5th)	0915 Leiston	People of the Parish
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Giorgio Zaccarini and Luisa Bessey RIP
Monday	No Mass today	
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	Douglas Coleman (Ints)
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Sally Coffey RIP
Thursday	0900 Leiston	
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	
Sunday (12th)	0915 Leiston	Christine Doherty Stobbs(Ints)
	1100 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish

Livestreamlink for Mass

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

Welcome to those who are visiting us this weekend. Coffee etc is served after the Leiston Mass – Come and join us in the hall.

During the month of November, we especially remember our departed loved ones and deceased members of our parish and all those who have no one to remember them in prayer. May they all rest in peace and rise in glory. As a part of our Bidding Prayers this month, we will include the following prayer:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen.

We continue to pray for peace and an easing of tensions in the Middle East. It is so important to remember those on both sides who have already died and for all those who are mourning the loss of their loved ones, as well as those still being held in hostage and for those displaced. We also pray that humanitarian aid may urgently get through to avoid an even greater disaster, as well as to remember those seeking peace through diplomatic paths.

Confirmation: Bishop Peter will visit the parish on Sunday 9th June 2024. Several names were given to Fr Tony but would those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please resubmit their names (or submit for the first time) as soon as possible – either by email, or in writing. Confirmation is for those in Year Nine or above, but Year Eight is possible. I've only had one name so far! We also need a couple of Catechists to prepare our young people for the Sacrament. Any offers to help?

First Communion Programme for 2024. Please let me have names of those who are at the stage of making their First Confession and Communion next year. Year 3 and upwards.

Feasts during the Week: Thursday 9th November – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. Friday 10th – St Leo the Great (Pope). Saturday 11th – St Martin of Tours.

We need someone to represent the parish at the Bishop's Council of Laity on Saturday 11th November to be held at Poringland, Norwich, starting at 10.30 for 11.00am. Let me know if you can do this. Thanks.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. We're also grateful for the generous weekly standing orders, which currently amount to about £690 per week. And we continue to encourage you to set up one if you haven't yet done so. The only details you need are these: '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.** If you have a problem trying to set up direct debit, please get in touch.

DAY OF RENEWAL IN THE HOLY SPIRIT: Saturday 11th November at St Mark's Church, Hawthorn Drive, Ipswich, IP2 0QQ. Begins 10.00am with Mass and ends 4.30pm. Speaker: Fr Simon Penhalagan.

RISE UP! A special event for young people (Year 7 upwards). Live music; inspiring talks; powerful prayer times; special guests and ending with a vigil Mass followed by refreshments. Saturday 11th November, 1pm-8pm at St. John's Cathedral, Norwich. For further information and to book a place go to: www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

There will be a gathering of those who feel that God may be calling them to be a priest, even if this desire is in its very early stages. Come to St John's Cathedral in Norwich for the 11.00 am Mass on Sunday November 19th and afterwards in Cathedral House (attached to the Cathedral) to meet Bishop Peter Collins and others for lunch and an informal meeting about vocations. If you intend coming, please email our Vocations Director, Canon Patrick Cleary. vocations@rcdea.org.uk by Monday 13th November.

We are looking for a new Cleaner for Leiston Church and Hall. This is a paid position and training will be given. This will be a weekly commitment with extra, a couple of times a year, when the wooden floor in the hall will need repolishing and buffing. Please Contact Jill Wilson at Church or at altivolant.pww@gmail.com or 01728 663438. We also

need to think about the Church in Aldeburgh – Same Person? Someone different?

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.

Have a good week - Fr David

Readings for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year

First reading Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10

I am a great king, says the Lord of Hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of Hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. But you, you have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of Hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 130(131)

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

O Lord, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me.

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

Truly I have set my soul
in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast,
even so is my soul.

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

O Israel, hope in the Lord
both now and forever.

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

Second reading 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we

were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

Gospel Acclamation

1Sam3:9,Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 23:1-12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'