# Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

(With All Saints, Seaward Avenue, Leiston, IP16 4BA)

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### 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 16th November 2025

### Masses during the Week All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed\*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh\* Frank Stanley RIP **Sunday** (16<sup>th</sup>) 0915 Leiston People of the Parish

1100 Aldeburgh\* Luisa Bessey RIP

Monday No Mass Today

Tuesday 0900 Leiston Fr Derek Turnham

Wednesday 1400 Aldeburgh\* Funeral Mass for

Mary Birkett RIP

**Thursday** 0900 Leiston Holy Souls (FM) Friday

0900 Aldeburgh\* Susan & Christopher

Marstrand RIP

1800 Aldeburgh\* Saturday

**Sunday** (23<sup>rd</sup>) 0915 Leiston People of the Parish

1100 Aldeburgh\* Paul McComish 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.

Today is known as "The World Day of the Poor" In his message for the World Day of the Poor, Pope Leo calls the poor "witnesses of hope" because they cannot find hope in power or wealth, which so often disappoint. True treasure which cannot rot, rust or be stolen - lies in God, alongside a lasting hope that will never fail us. He reminds us that Christian hope is symbolised by an anchor which grounds our hearts in Jesus our Saviour and points towards our true home in heaven.

On 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, Pope Leo signed his first teaching document, Dilexit Te (On Love for the Poor). In it he wrote that "charity is not optional but a requirement of true worship" (#42) and is "the burning heart of the Church's mission" (#15).

In both Dilexit Te and his message for the World Day of the Poor, Pope Leo challenges us to reconsider our response to poverty and injustice, both as individuals and as a Catholic community. In our Diocese, Catholic charities such as the SVP, food banks, Mary's Meals and CAFOD reach out to those in need at home and overseas, while also campaigning for the deeper, structural causes of poverty to be addressed. The Holy Father's message invites us to reflect on how we might become more deeply involved in Catholic Social Action within our parishes, deaneries and across our Diocese. (Jane Crone, CAFOD in East Anglia and a member of Caritas East Anglia)

Throughout November, we remember our departed loved ones and former 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. At the back of both churches there is a memorial book for you to write the names of your departed loved ones, and this book will be placed on the altar at all Masses throughout November. 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.

Please let me know if you would like a Mass offered during November for deceased members of your family and friends.

Feasts this week: Thursday - St Edmund; Friday - The Presentation of the BVM; Saturday - St Cecilia.

**Don't forget to let me know** if you are unable to attend Mass due to ill health, as we can arrange a home visit with Holy Communion.

Also, remember that the weekly Newsletter is available on the parish website.

The latest 'World Gifts' catalogue is available at the back of church. Good ideas for Christmas presents etc.

Diocesan Jubilee Committee: Lucy has been representing our parish with regard to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the diocese in 2026 but would like to hand this on to someone else. It is not a great commitment, and meetings can be attended via Zoom. Let me know if this is something you could take on for the next year; or for more information have a word with Lucy.

Aldeburgh Church: When visiting during the week would you leave the door between the church and porch open to allow some heat to circulate and help dry out the damp walls -Many thanks. Please continue to ensure the church is locked when you leave.

Please remember in your prayers Mary Birkett (former member of the parish) who died in October. Mary's Funeral Mass will be at Aldeburgh on Wednesday 19th November at 2.00pm. Also, Bernard Duffy, whose funeral is at Seven Hills Crematorium on this coming Friday at 12noon.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £326.49p. 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.

Second collection next weekend (Solemnity of Christ the King) for the Diocesan Youth Service.

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 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### First reading

Malachi 4:1-2a Behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the

arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings.

### **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 98(97):5-6. 7-8a. 8b-9b. 9cd. R cf. 9

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn, raise a shout before the King, the Lord.

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

Let the sea and all within it thunder; the world, and those who dwell in it. Let the rivers clap their hands.

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

The hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord, for he comes. He comes to judge the earth.

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

He will judge the world with justice,

and the peoples with fairness.

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

#### Second reading

#### 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Brothers and Sisters: You know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labour we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Luke 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia. Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.

#### Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

At that time: While some were speaking of the Temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.' And they asked him, 'Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?' And he said, 'See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am he!" and, "The time is at hand!" Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.'

Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it, therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and sisters, and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.'