

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh
(With All Saints, Seaward Avenue, Leiston,
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**The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary**
16th August 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Sarah Duerr
Sunday (16th)	0915 Leiston	People of the Parish
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Carole & Henry Wilson
Monday	No Mass today	
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	Jean-Paul Felix RIP
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	
Thursday	0900 Leiston	
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (23rd)	0915 Leiston	
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Felicity Lidvall

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvwgLRDw/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 at the back of church.

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

It is good to be back with you after my holiday. I am very grateful to Fr Chris Dobson for covering the weekend Masses in my absence,

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven.

Aldeburgh Carnival United Service (led by the local churches) this Sunday evening at 1800 down on the sea front near Moots Hall. All welcome.

Next Weekend the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will be in the parish to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver work in solidarity with missionaries around the world, especially in regions where the Church is poor and resources are limited. Through prayer and practical support, they help sustain missionary work in pastoral ministry, education, and healthcare. I'm sure you will be generous to this appeal.

Feast Days this week: Thursday – St Bernard; Friday – St Pius X; Saturday – The Queenship of The Blessed Virgin Mary.

The SVP Summer Raffle is here! Multiple prizes from £100 to £5,000! SVP members will be selling tickets after Masses in both Aldeburgh and Leiston on the weekend 29th-30th August. Please bring cash - £1 per ticket, ££5 per book. Proceeds are split equally between the national SVP office and our own SVP conference, which helps local people in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Eucharistic Congress, Ipswich (6-13th September) culminating with Sunday Mass on the 13th September at Ipswich Corn Exchange celebrated by Bishop Peter. Pick up a leaflet for more details. All are welcome.

Food bank donations: Families come under increasing pressure during the summer holidays without the support of free school meals and breakfast clubs. Please be generous in your continued donations in the box in the church porch for the food bank at Leiston. They have asked for more toiletry items especially toothbrushes, toothpaste, toilet rolls, shower gel and shampoo. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

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!

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 £387.22p. 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.**

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 The Assumption of the BVM

First reading Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple.

And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God.

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 45(44):10. 11. 12. 16. R10b

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

The daughters of kings are those whom you favour.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Listen, O daughter; pay heed and give ear:
forget your own people and your father's house.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

So will the king desire your beauty.

He is your lord, pay homage to him.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

They are escorted amid gladness and joy;

they pass within the palace of the king.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary has been taken up into heaven;
the host of angels rejoice.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.'

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will call me
blessed;

for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring for ever.’
And Mary remained with her about three months and
returned to her home.