

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

18th May 2025

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh*
Sunday (18th) 0915 Leiston People of the Parish
1100 Aldeburgh* Tom Coffey RIP

Monday No Mass today

Tuesday No Mass today

Wednesday No Mass today

Thursday No Mass today

Friday No Mass today

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh*
Sunday (25th) 0915 Leiston People of the Parish
1100 Aldeburgh*

Livestreamlink for Mass

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

We extend a warm welcome to those visiting our parish this weekend.

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

Sorry, no weekday Masses this week as the priests of the diocese are attending the annual Clergy Retreat.

Tuesday is a special Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse.

Day for Anyone Thinking About a Vocation to the Priesthood: The Diocese is organising a short day of recollection for anyone open to the possibility of discerning a calling to the priesthood.

Held at the parish church in Thetford on the 24th of May, beginning with Mass at 10:30am, the day is open to those at any stage of discernment, including those who may simply be curious about beginning to explore this path. It will include times of prayer, as well as input from Fr Gregory Pearson (of the Dominicans), Fr Christopher Smith, (Diocesan Director of Vocations) and Prof Richard Macquire (Cathedral Heritage Officer).

For more information and to express interest in attending, you are warmly encouraged to contact Fr Christopher Smith at christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk

Closing date for booking is this Monday.

United Service next Sunday at the Parish Church, Aldeburgh at 6.00pm. This is one of three joint Services during the year. Do come and support this time of prayer together with other Christians of our town.

Leiston Church: we have put up more blue rope to prevent parking on the left-hand side of the drive as it is subsiding at an alarming rate – apologies for the inconvenience.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham to mark the Jubilee Year, for families, children, Grandparents and the elderly on Saturday 31st May, led by Bishop Peter. 10.45am: Walk from the village; 12.00 Mass at the Chapel of Reconciliation. Bring a picnic to be enjoyed after Mass.

Bishop Peter invites all married couples in the Diocese to attend the annual **Marriage Celebration Mass** on **Saturday 14th June** at **11.30am** at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist in Norwich. All are welcome! Those who are celebrating significant anniversaries (one year, five years and every multiple of five years thereafter, until 60 years where we celebrate each year thereafter) will receive a certificate from the Bishop. Refreshments will follow the Mass. For more details and if you would like to register please go to: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/> or email mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

News from Ipswich: Our Lady of Ipswich Walking Pilgrimage. Walking and praying from four locations across Ipswich to come together for Mass at St Pancras for the Feast of the Visitation, Saturday 31st May 2025 Angelus at 12 Noon and Mass at 12:15 Starting from:
+St Mark's, Hawthorn Drive at 10:30 am
+St Mary Magdalen, Norwich Road at 10:45 am
+St Mary's Woodbridge Road at 11: 15 am
+Lady Lane at 11: 30 am

Fr Chris Alar from the USA is visiting Ipswich (St Mark's Church, Hawthorn Drive, IP2 0QQ) on Friday, 6th June at 6 pm to celebrate Mass and speak on Our Lady of Grace. All welcome.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £267.10p. 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.**

Last week's second collection for Priests' Training Fund = **£458.30p**. Many thanks.

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

Every blessing ~ Fr David

Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

First reading

Acts 14:21b-27

In those days: Paul and Barnabas returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

Then they passed through Pisidia and came to Pamphylia. And when they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia, and from there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had fulfilled. And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145(144):8-9. 10-11. 12-13b. R cf. 1

I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

All your works shall thank you, O Lord,
and all your faithful ones bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign,
and declare your mighty deeds.

I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

To make known your might to the whole human race,
and the glorious splendour of your reign.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule endures for all generations.

I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

Second reading

Revelation 21:1-5a

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God

himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away.'

And he who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.'

Gospel Acclamation

John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia.

A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another, just as I have loved you.
Alleluia.

Gospel

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

When Judas had gone out from the upper room, Jesus said, 'Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. Little children, yet a little while I am with you.

'A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'