

## Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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

15 The Terrace, Aldeburgh, Suffolk, IP15 5HJ

Email: david.bagstaff@rcdea.org.uk

[www.ourladyandstpeteraldeburgh.com](http://www.ourladyandstpeteraldeburgh.com)

Tel: 01728 452782

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Chris Quinn

Tel: 07886795380

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

30<sup>th</sup> March 2025

### Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed\*

<b>Saturday</b>	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday (30<sup>th</sup>)</b>	0915 Leiston	Anne Shufflebottom RIP
	1100 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass today</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	0900 Leiston	
<b>Wednesday</b>	0900 Aldeburgh*	Jenny Mary Ogilvie (FM)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No Mass today</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	0900 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Saturday</b>	1800 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Sunday (6<sup>th</sup>)</b>	0915 Leiston	People of the Parish
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Paul McComish RIP

### Livestreamlink for Mass

[https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a\\_jvjwglRDw/livestreaming](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.

This Sunday is known as Laetare Sunday (Rejoice), being the first word of the Entrance Antiphon. Rose colour vestments may be worn today, marking the mid-point of Lent. It is also Mothering Sunday.

Please note there is no Mass on Monday, or Thursday this week. On Thursday the clergy of the diocese have a Day of Recollection at Clare Priory.

The April edition of the diocesan newspaper is now available. Do pick up a copy as you leave Mass today.

Stations of the Cross this week will be at Aldeburgh on Friday 4th April at 12noon.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** I will be available for Confessions at Aldeburgh on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April between 3 and 4pm; and then at Leiston on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April between 3 and 4pm.

**The final 'Lent Conversation' is on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm at Leiston (there will be a Mass at 6.30pm) and will be led by Chris Quinn and Hugh de las Casas on 'Homelessness? Closer than you think!'**

**The more that can come along, the richer and more fruitful our conversation will be. The first two sessions have been well received.**

As has become our tradition in recent years, a string quartet (Jim O'Toole and Helen Stanley – Violins; Rachael Stacy – Viola; and Hattie Bennett – Cello) will be performing **Haydn's Seven Last Words from the Cross** at Aldeburgh on the Monday of Holy Week, 14<sup>th</sup> April, at 7pm. Each movement has programmatic details within the music, ending with a dramatic portrayal of the earthquake. There will be meditative readings alternating with the music. All are welcome. Retiring collection (suggested donation £10). **Book the date**

**Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers: Mass with Anointing at the Cathedral** - Bishop Peter warmly invites all those who are sick and those who are involved in health care in any capacity to a special Jubilee Mass at the Cathedral on **Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April at 11:30am**. In place of the annual Mass held around the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, this Mass will give opportunity for the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, and in the Jubilee Year will be enriched by a celebration of the contribution made by the many doctors, nurses, pharmacists, orderlies, and others across the Diocese who live out their Christian vocation in care of others.

**Holy Week Services.** The Maundy Thursday evening Mass will be at Aldeburgh at 7pm; Good Friday 3pm Service will be at Leiston, and the Easter Vigil with the First Mass of Easter will be on the Saturday evening at 8.15pm at Aldeburgh. The Easter Sunday Masses will be Leiston at 9.15am and Aldeburgh at 11.00am.

There is a list at the back of church for Eucharistic Ministers and for the foot washing (Maundy Thursday). Please sign up. Readers are on the rota.

**Inviting ALL young people in Year 8 upwards to the Ignite Festival 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> May:** Come and experience your faith in a dynamic way at the Ignite Festival! The weekend will include inspiring talks, passionate prayer, live music, and lots of fun stuff! Followed by the opportunity to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Bank Holiday Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>. See [www.ignitefestival.co.uk](http://www.ignitefestival.co.uk) for more information. Book before March 30<sup>th</sup> for Early Bird Price!

**Money Matters:** Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £286.15p. 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.

The Second Collection last weekend for Walsingham amounted to £202.52p. Many thanks for your generosity.

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

*Fr David*

**Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (c)**

**First reading**

**Joshua 5:9a, 10-12**

In those days: The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you.' While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho. And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. R cf. 18b**

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
praise of him is always in my mouth.  
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;  
the humble shall hear and be glad.

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

Glorify the Lord with me;  
together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This lowly one called; the Lord heard,  
and rescued him from all his distress.

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**Second reading**

**2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

Brothers and Sisters: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ; God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ: be reconciled to God. For our sake he

made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Luke 15:18**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.

I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him,  
'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you'.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.

**Gospel**

**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

At that time: The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, 'This man receives sinners and eats with them.' So he told them this parable: 'There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me." And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

'But when he came to himself, he said, "How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.' "

'And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound." But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, "Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!" And he said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be

glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.”