

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

(With All Saints, Seaward Avenue, Leiston,
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Sixth Sunday of Easter

10th May 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (10th)	0915 Leiston	Special Intention
	1100 Aldeburgh*	
Monday	No Mass today	
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	
Thursday	1000 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
	1900 Leiston	Tom Coffey RIP
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (17th)	0915 Leiston	
	1100 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Pettican and Slade families

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 from the back of church.

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

On Thursday we keep the Solemnity of **The Ascension of the Lord**. It is a Holyday of Obligation and Mass in Aldeburgh is at 10.00am and in Leiston at 7.00pm.

The **Monthly United Prayer Gathering** at Leiston is on this coming Tuesday at 10.00am at the URC Church, High Street, Leiston. All welcome.

United Service on Sunday 17th May 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.

'One Mass Sunday weekend'. On the weekend 11/12th July there will only be one parish Mass which will be at Leiston at 11.00am. More details to follow but do book the date now.

Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Tuesday 26th May (*half term*). Details on the notice board.

"Head to Heart": Retreat Day for Women. Saturday 23rd May is now fully booked, but the Sisters have agreed to repeat the programme on the following Saturday (6th June) with talks given by the sisters of the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham at their home in Dereham, Norfolk. The day will explore some of Saint Edith Stein's ideas of what it means to be a woman and the unity God desires to bring us to, as well as how to carry the crosses of daily life. The day will include talks, discussion and fellowship, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament as well as a cream tea. Booking essential! Booking Form and all information found at: www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/

PRIESTLY VOCATION: A DAY OF DISCERNMENT IN THETFORD Do you sense that God may be calling you to serve Him as a priest in His Church? Would you like to learn more about priestly ministry as a diocesan priest? Are you seeking a deeper understanding of how priesthood is lived in the 21st century? All men who are open to discerning a call to serve God through the priesthood are warmly invited to attend a Day of Discernment. **Date:** Saturday, 16th May. **Venue:** St Mary's Catholic Church, Thetford. The day will begin with Mass at 10:30am, includes a provided lunch, and will conclude at 3:00pm. The programme will include: Input on the theology of priestly ministry; Guidance on the journey of discernment and formation; Opportunities for discussion; Eucharistic Adoration' To attend, please contact: **Fr Christopher Smith** Vocations Director for the Diocese Email: christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk Tel: 01502 723207

Bishop Peter invites all married couples in the Diocese to attend the Diocese's hugely popular annual **Marriage Celebration Mass** on **Saturday 13th June 2026** at **11.30am** at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist in Norwich. All are welcome! Those who are celebrating significant anniversaries will receive a certificate from the bishop.. For more details and to register please go to: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/>

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome to mark the 50th anniversary of the Diocese. will take place from 27th to 31st October 2026. The cost of the pilgrimage is £1,550 per person sharing a twin or double room, with a limited number of single rooms available for a supplement of £220. The price includes return airfare with 10kg carry-on baggage, accommodation, transport in Italy, guiding services, gratuities and entrance fees. *Please note that the itinerary is not suitable for less able travellers.*

A deposit of £400, together with a completed booking form at the link below, is required ASAP, with the balance due by 4 August 2026. <https://bit.ly/EA50Rome>

More information on joining the pilgrimage can be found on the Diocesan Website, or from Elizabeth Pugh at Pilgrimage People on office@pilgrimagepeople.org

Forthcoming Deanery events to which you are invited:

Our Lady of Ipswich walking Pilgrimage from four locations across Ipswich for Mass at St Pancras Church in honour of Our Lady of Grace on Saturday 30th May. Full details on the notice board.

Eucharistic Congress, Ipswich (6-13th September) culminating with Sunday Mass on the 13th September at Ipswich Corn Exchange celebrated by Bishop Peter. See poster for more details.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £335.38p. 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. **For Gift Aid purposes, the Charity number for the diocese is 278742.**

Second collection next weekend for The Catholic Communications network.

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

We pray for the repose of the soul of Sally Lynch who died recently, also remembering her family and friends at this time. Sally's Funeral Service is at Aldeburgh on Tuesday 19th May at 10.30am.

Every blessing for the coming week Fr David

Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

First reading

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

In those days: Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralysed or lame were healed. So there was much joy in that city.

Now when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66(65):1-3a. 4-5. 6-7a. 16, 20. R1

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!'

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

'Before you all the earth shall bow down,
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God:
his wondrous deeds among the children of Adam.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.
Let our joy, then, be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Come and hear, all who fear God;
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer,
nor withhold from me his merciful love.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Second reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

Beloved: In your hearts honour Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia.
If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.
Alleluia.

Gospel

John 14:15-21

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

'I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.'