

## Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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### Third Sunday of Easter

**4<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

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

<b>Saturday</b>	1800 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Sunday (4<sup>th</sup>)</b>	0915 Leiston	People of the Parish
	1100 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass today</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	0900 Leiston	For the forthcoming Conclave
<b>Wednesday</b>	0900 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Thursday</b>	0900 Leiston	
<b>Friday</b>	0900 Aldeburgh*	
<b>Saturday</b>	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday (11<sup>th</sup>)</b>	0915 Leiston	Ints of Lidvall family
	1100 Aldeburgh*	

#### 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 Bank Holiday weekend.**

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

**The May issue of the Diocesan Newspaper is now available at the back of church. Do pick up your copy.**

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham** – this Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> May. 11.00am Gather at the coach park for Procession to the Chapel of Reconciliation for Mass. 1400 Service of Reconciliation during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and concluding at 1500 with Benediction. I will be going and have three spare seats in the car for anyone wishing to go along. See poster for full details.

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm - 8.30pm in All Saints Leiston Church Hall. All members of the parish are welcome. If you would like to attend and require assistance getting there, please contact Chris Quinn on 07886795380.

**A message from Bishop Peter:** As we complete the Nine Days of Official Mourning, days when we have offered our prayers for the eternal repose of our late Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Universal Church now invokes a particular outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the College of Cardinals. The Cardinals have already been meeting in 'Congregation', including those who are over eighty years of age, to reflect and discuss prayerfully in preparation for the Conclave. The Cardinal Electors, those under eighty years of age, will enter Conclave on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May. I call upon every member of this Local Church, the Diocese of East Anglia, to join me over the coming days in offering fervent prayer in support of the Cardinal Electors. We entrust the Church to Divine Providence as we await the election of the 267<sup>th</sup> Successor of St Peter. I urge each Parish Community to celebrate a Votive Mass to the Holy Spirit on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2025. ***[We will celebrate our parish Mass for this intention on Tuesday 9.00am at Leiston – All are welcome to attend]***

**Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday;** a day when we reflect on how the ministry of Christ as Priest, Prophet and Shepherd continues in the Church through the ordained priesthood. Priests do not fall from Heaven ready-made. The call to priesthood needs to be heard, vocations need to be nurtured, and funding is needed to provide for priestly formation. The cost of training a priest is more than £150,000. We all have our part to play in praying and encouraging vocations and in financially supporting for the formation of our future parish priests. Please continue to pray for priestly vocations and be as generous as possible towards the Second Collection on Good Shepherd's Sunday.

**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 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk)

**The Friars of Clare Priory, Suffolk,** invite you to their Annual Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Mother of Good Counsel, on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May, commencing at 10.00am. See the poster on the noticeboard for full details of the day.

**Job Vacancy at the Walsingham Shrine:** PILGRIMAGE & SHRINE SITE TEAM LEAD £30,000–£35,000 pa. The Walsingham Trust is seeking a leader to coordinate pilgrimage planning and provide support for the Sacred Liturgy at the Catholic National Shrine and Basilica. The role also includes overseeing the operations of the Gift Shop, Tea Room and Domestic Team. You will work closely with the General Manager and Rector to ensure pilgrimages and liturgies are well organised and properly

resourced, as well as ensuring that the chapels are well kept and cared for.

Weekend availability is required from Easter to mid-October. The position is full-time, based on a five-day working week with two weekdays off during the pilgrimage season. For details or to apply, email: [recruitment@walsingham.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@walsingham.org.uk)

**Money Matters:** Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £337.58p. 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.**

**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 Third Sunday of Easter

#### First reading

**Acts 5:27b-32, 40b-41**

In those days: The high priest questioned the Apostles, saying, 'We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us.' But Peter and the Apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Having called in the Apostles, the council beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonour for the name.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 30(29):2, 4. 5-6. 11, 12a,13b. R2a

*I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.*

I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up,  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O Lord, you have lifted up my soul from Sheol,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the pit.

*I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.*

Sing psalms to the Lord, you faithful ones;  
give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts a moment; his favour all through life.  
At night come tears, but dawn brings joy.

*I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.*

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy on me;

be my helper, O Lord.

You have changed my mourning into dancing.

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

*I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.*

#### Second reading

**Revelation 5:11-14**

I, John looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!' And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' and the elders fell down and worshipped.

#### Gospel Acclamation

**cf.Lk24:32**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen, who created all things

and has shown compassion on the human race.

Alleluia.

#### Gospel

**John 21:1-19**

At that time: Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, do you have any fish?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred metres off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared ask him, 'Who are you?' They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' He said to him a second time, 'Simon,

son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.' (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, 'Follow me.'