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Newsletter for
Third Sunday of Easter 23/04

Masses during the Week

All Masses from Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday: 1800 Aldeburgh*
Sunday: 0915 Leiston (Deidre & David)
1100 Aldeburgh* (People of the parish)
Monday **No Mass today**
Tuesday 0900 Leiston
Wednesday 0900 Akdeburgh*
Thursday 0900 Leiston
Friday 0900 Aldeburgh*
Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh*
Sunday 0915 Leiston
1100 Aldeburgh *
1400 Baptism of Sebastian Rose*

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvjwglRDw/livestreaming

Welcome to anyone who is visiting us this weekend. Please feel at home among the people of this corner of the Lord's vineyard and take our Easter greetings to your own parish communities.

Holy Communion Under Both Kinds: in both churches, please continue to come forward – left hand side first, beginning at the back – but queue in the middle, and, if you are receiving under both kinds, please go to the minister who is free – in other words don't simply approach the one on your own side.

Fr Tony's Diary: Tuesday – meeting and Mass in Poringland with Our Lady of Walsingham MAT.

Una Blissett RIP. Una's funeral Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady and St Peter, at 12.30 on Monday, 15th May.

Money Matters: Thank you for your offering last Sunday of £266.65, and for £325.10 in the Good Friday collection for the Holy Places. We're also grateful for the generous weekly standing orders. In the meantime, we continue to appreciate and rely on all who pay by standing order and we still encourage you to set up one, if you haven't yet done so. In these days when not everyone has returned to mass, it is all the more necessary that we can be assured of a regular income, irrespective of Mass attendance. The only details you need are these: Sort Code 20-98-07: a/c number: 90777048.

And for Gift Aid purposes, the Charity number for the diocese is 278742. Thank you for your continued generosity. The parish account is: St Peter's Catholic Church Parish Account': Registered Charity: No 278742'. If you have a problem trying to set up direct debit, please get in touch.

Next Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations – often called 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. There will, as is customary

on this Sunday, be a retiring collection for the Diocesan Priests' Training Fund. Envelopes for this purpose are available.

Please remember in your prayers, Liz O'Connor, Bernie McComish, Alex Vachell, Phil Harris, Giovanna Cimenti, Margaret Stubbs, Heather Mabey, Maureen Dawson, Brigid Simpson, Dominic Dobson, Fr Brendan Moffatt, Annie Morris, Kate Hoare, Helen McGuire, Anne Alban, Derek Randall, Veronica Bayley, Peg Regan and Angela Brunning, Pray for Una Blissett and all who died recently and for Teresa Lloyd, Nancy Colchester, and all whose anniversaries occur this week.

Silver Wedding Celebration at Leiston: At our Sunday Mass we will be celebrating twenty five years of married life for David and Deidre Charleston. Cake will follow!!

Thank you to the anonymou donor of the lovely Nyetimber sparkling wine! It will be much appreciated by all who drink it!

Parish Pilgrimage to Puglia: For the last few years – with the exception of lockdown/pandemic, we have had a more or less annual parish pilgrimage organised by David Jennings. Following our pilgrimage to Rome last September, we plan to go to Puglia this year. The proposed dates are Monday, 16th October to Friday, 20th. David has been in touch with those who have been before, but if you are interested and haven't travelled with us on previous pilgrimages, do let me know and I will give you the necessary information.

Thank you very much to those who came forward so willingly to offer lifts for a couple of people who are anxious to return to Mass. They are both delighted with the offer. We look forward to seeing them on Sunday

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: this will take place on the first May Bank Holiday Monday – 1st May. It will begin at 12noon with the Regina Caeli and the Crowning of the Statue in Friday Market – outside the parish church in the village. It will be followed by a Rosary Procession to the Basilica, led by the parish of King's Lynn. At 14.00 there will be a service of reconciliation in the basilica, followed by confessions there and around the crosses outside. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass at 15.00 celebrated by Bishop Peter Collins in the Chapel of Reconciliation (the Basilica). Please see the posters in both churches. I shall be going for the Mass, but can't get there any earlier, and won't be returning here immediately. I could give a lift to Walsingham, but if anyone else is planning to go and offer a lift, please let me know.

A new website is currently under construction, thanks to the kindness of Kevin and Jane Gale. I've seen the early stages, and am very happy, and we hope to have it up and running very soon. It is almost certain that a new website address will be needed since, those who have tried of late have been directed to a Croatian website.

Sunday Reflection

The story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus is perhaps the most endearing of the Easter appearances. The risen Jesus brings new hope to two men who have lost all hope. He feeds their minds and hearts by explaining the

scriptures to them. But his true identity is revealed in the bread he breaks for them. Their experience is offered to us at every eucharist, as we receive the word and the sacrament and are strengthened in holiness. It's a passage that reminds us of the Lord's constant presence in our lives, even when he seems to be

Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter (Year A)

First reading: Acts 2:14,22-33

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him: I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy; my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

Responsorial Psalm

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.'

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay.

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

You will show me the path of life,

the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.

Show us, Lord, the path of life

Second reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their

eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

Easter Prayer to Our Lady instead of 'Hail Mary'

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!

For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!

Has risen as he said, alleluia!

Pray for us to God, alleluia!