

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh (and All Saints, Leiston)

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Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday:	1800 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish
Sunday (22nd)	0915 Leiston 1100 Aldeburgh*
Monday	No Mass today
Tuesday	No Mass today
Wednesday	No Mass today
Thursday	No Mass today
Friday	No Mass today
Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*
Sunday (29th)	0915 Leiston People of the Parish 1100 Aldeburgh* Don & Beryl Edwards RIP

Livestreamlink for Mass

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

Welcome to anyone who is visiting us this half-term weekend. Coffee etc is served after the Leiston Mass – Come and join us in the hall.

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY and it is celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world. It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries to bring the love and hope of Jesus to situations of extreme poverty and injustice. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the word and give what you can to today's second collection, which will sustain the future of our Church. There are gift aid envelopes at the back of the church for those able to gift aid their donation.

What a tragic and sad two weeks this has been for the world, as we have watched the news in the growing Israel and Gaza conflict. Our prayer for peace and an easing of tensions in the Middle East is so important and to remember those on both sides who have already died and for all those who are mourning the loss of their loved ones, as well as those still being held in hostage. At least there was a sliver of hope on Friday when the two American hostages were released.

I am away this coming week (Monday to Friday) on the annual clergy Retreat. Please keep those attending in your prayers. Sorry, no weekday Masses this week.

Over the coming weeks various works are taking place at the presbytery (decorating etc) and emergency lighting was installed at Aldeburgh Church three weeks ago and currently gutter repairs are taking place, hence the scaffolding to the rear of the church. These works were all agreed by the diocese and our parish finance committee earlier in the summer.

Confirmation: It has been decided to postpone the bishop's visit for Confirmations to next year. It will probably be June, but I will confirm the date as soon as possible. Several names were given to Fr Tony, but some of these may have got lost, so would those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please resubmit their names (or submit for the first time) as soon as possible – either by email, or in writing. Normally Confirmation is for those in Year Nine or above, but Year Eight is possible, but no younger, please. We also need a couple of Catechists to prepare our young people for the Sacrament. Any offers to help?

Feasts during the Week: Saturday 28th – Feast of SS Simon and Jude (Apostles).

Money Matters: Thank you for your collections over the past two months. We're also grateful for the generous weekly standing orders, which currently amount to about £690 per week. And we continue to 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: '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.** Thank you for your continued generosity. If you have a problem trying to set up direct debit, please get in touch.

New altar servers: we were so fortunate this year to have eight children making their first holy communion, and hope that some of you would like to become altar servers. We've started asking in Leiston and have some volunteers – so let's hear it from the Aldeburgh end!

Food Bank; we make regular contributions to our local food bank in Leiston, and your donations of the kind of food that is a proper contribution to a balanced diet, together with toiletries, is much appreciated.

DAY OF RENEWAL IN THE HOLY SPIRIT: Saturday 11th November at St Mark's Church, Hawthorn Drive, Ipswich, IP2 0QQ. Begins 10.00am with Mass and ends 4.30pm. Speaker: Fr Simon Penhalagan.

RISE UP! A special event for young people (Year 7 upwards). Live music; inspiring talks; powerful prayer times; special guests and ending with a vigil Mass followed by refreshments. Saturday 11th November, 1pm-8pm at St. John' Cathedral, Norwich. For further information and to book a place go to: www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

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

Have a blessed week. Fr David

Readings for the 29^h Sunday in Ordinary Time Year

First reading **Isaiah 45:1,4-6**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whom he has taken by his right hand
to subdue nations before him
and strip the loins of kings,
to force gateways before him
that their gates be closed no more:
'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,
of Israel my chosen one,
that I have called you by your name,
conferring a title though you do not know me.
I am the Lord, unrivalled;
there is no other God besides me.
Though you do not know me, I arm you
that men may know from the rising to the setting
of the sun
that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 95(96):1,3-5,7-10**

Give the Lord glory and power.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples.

Give the Lord glory and power.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens,

Give the Lord glory and power.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

Give the Lord glory and power.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

Give the Lord glory and power.

Second reading **1 Thessalonians 1:1-5**

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn17:17

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord:
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Matthew 22:15-21**

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

