

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh (With All Saints, Seaward Avenue, Leiston, IP16 4BA)

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th July 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (12th)	1100 Leiston	For the diocese and Fr David's intentions

Monday	No Mass today	
Tuesday	0900 Leiston	John Heath RIP
Wednesday	0900 Aldeburgh*	Ints of Elly Harrison
Thursday	No Mass today	
Friday	0900 Aldeburgh*	For the people of Donetsk

Saturday	1800 Aldeburgh*	People of the Parish
Sunday (19th)	0915 Leiston	For Craig's welfare
	1100 Aldeburgh*	

Livestreamlink for Mass

https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-GsEOvS0m19a_jvjwgLRDw/livestreaming

WEEKEND 11/12TH JULY 2026

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

A very warm welcome to you all on this special weekend when we celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese of East Anglia, and Fr David's 50th Anniversary of Ordination which was on Friday.

Many thanks to all involved in the arrangements for our Mass and celebration at Leiston this Sunday.

Feast Days this week: Wednesday – St Bonaventure.

Sorry, no Mass on Thursday this week as I will be concelebrating Mass at St Alban's Catholic High School, Ipswich, as they celebrate their 60th Anniversary of opening. The Monthly United Prayer Gathering at Leiston is on this coming Tuesday at 10.00am at the Quakers meeting hall at corner of Waterloo Ave/Park Hill. All welcome.

CAFOD: As a part of the UK Disasters Emergency Committee, CAFOD has launched its Venezuela Earthquake Appeal. For more details go to cafod.org.uk/fundraise/parishes

Food bank donations: Families come under increasing pressure during the summer holidays without the support of free school meals and breakfast clubs. Please be generous in your continued donations in the box in the church porch for the food bank at Leiston. They have asked for more toiletry items especially toothbrushes, toothpaste, toilet rolls, shower gel and shampoo. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

Lunchtime Concert Monday July 27th at 12.00 in Aldeburgh Parish Church. Recital in aid of Save the Children by Helen Stanley - violin, Nadia Lasserson - piano and Tom Hodgkinson - guitar. Elgar - violin sonata, Mozart - Variations on *Helas, J'ai perdu mon amant* and Downland - Lute music. This series of concerts has raised over ££8,000 on the door since 2021. Please help us continue to support them.

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

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 21st - 28th August 2026 Please consider coming with us on the pilgrimage to Lourdes in this special anniversary year for East Anglia. You can find more information on the diocesan website <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage-21-28-august-2026/> and on the Catholic Association website: <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/calourdes125> For more information contact Deacon Huw Williams: e-mail: Huw.williams@rcdea.org.uk Mobile: 07399 163718 – please leave a message.

National Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life Saturday 1st August 2026: This pilgrimage, to be led by Bishop Peter Collins of East Anglia, will go to England's Nazareth, the National Catholic Shrine at Walsingham. In the last year abortion up to birth has been legalised and there is a continued effort to make assisted suicide legal. Please join the pilgrimage to help build the 'great prayer for Life' asked for by Pope St John Paul II.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection was £358.69p. We are also grateful for the generous weekly Standing Orders, which currently amount to about £826 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 Stella Maris which offers support to Seafarers and fishers worldwide. There are 'gift aid' envelopes at the back of church.

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

Every blessing for the coming week Fr David

Readings for 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First reading

Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord:

'For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 65(64):10a-d. 10e-11. 12-13. 14. R Luke 8:8

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

You visit the earth, give it water;
you fill it with riches.
God's ever-flowing river brims over
to prepare the grain.

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

And thus you prepare it:
you drench its furrows;
you level it, soften it with showers;
you bless its growth.

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

You crown the year with your bounty.
Abundance flows in your pathways;
in pastures of the desert it flows.
The hills are girded with joy.

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

The meadows clothed with flocks.
The valleys are decked with wheat.
They shout for joy; yes, they sing!

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

Second reading

Romans 8:18-23

Brothers and Sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption, and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower;
all who find him will live for ever.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-23

At that time: Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear.'

'Hear then the parable of the sower: When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'