

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th September 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

Sunday (6th) 0915 Leiston Ints of Lidvall families

1100 Aldeburgh* Agnes McDonald
RIP

Monday No Mass today

Tuesday 0900 Leiston Eric Sandon RIP

Wednesday No Mass today

Thursday 0900 Leiston

Friday 0900 Aldeburgh* Andrew & Tim
Gilbert (FM)

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* Ints of Sarah Duerr

Sunday (6th) 0915 Leiston

1100 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish

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 at the back of church.

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

Aid to the Church in Need talk and appeal at Masses this weekend given by Neville Kyrke-Smith, former National Director of ACN. As many of you know, ACN provides vital help to those who are persecuted and oppressed for their faith or in dire pastoral need. Neville will be updating us on the work of this wonderful Catholic charity and to thanking so many in the parish for their support over the years. He has some ACN rosaries from the Holy Land, small icons and other items available to buy after Mass.

Feast Days this week: Tuesday – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Road Works (Aldeburgh): Between 7th and 27th September Alde Lane is closed, so you will need to approach The Terrace via the High Street.

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is coming up for its Second Reading on 11th September. Do encourage your MP to vote **NO**. **Not dead yet UK** have provided postcards you can send to your MP, fill out your details, add a stamp and post it today!

SVP raffle tickets - A big thank you to all who have bought raffle tickets over the past few weeks. The deadline for return of all stubs and unsold tickets to our SVP members is 8th September. Please bring to Masses this weekend, or to our meeting in Leiston church hall on Tuesday 8th before 10.30am.

Eucharistic Congress Ipswich. From this Sunday until 13th of September, Ipswich will hold its very first Eucharistic Congress. You may not have heard the word "Congress" before. A Eucharistic Congress is simply the Church gathering together, in one place, to adore Our Lord in the Eucharist, to be taught about this great gift, and to be sent back out to our parishes renewed. Great cities have held them for well over a hundred years, drawing hundreds of thousands of people. Ours is smaller and closer to home — a gathering of the parishes of the Ipswich deanery. For one week, the prayer of our parishes will be centred entirely on Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, in this our Diocese's Jubilee Year. Here is what the week holds. It begins in our Catholic schools. On the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the Ignite team will be visiting the pupils — bringing the faith to life for our young people — and all our Catholic schools will come together for whole-school Masses, joined as one. Across the week there will also be time for adoration — quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament — offered across the whole deanery, so that every parishioner can find a moment to spend with Our Lord (*Here in our parish we will have 30 minutes of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Leiston on Thursday following a Votive Mass of the Eucharist. On that day there is Exposition at St Pancras, Ipswich from 9am-9pm*). And then everything leads up to next Sunday. That day, the Church of Ipswich will gather for the great Mass of the Congress at The Corn Exchange, Ipswich at 11.00am, celebrated by our Bishop. But it is not only the Mass. There will be inspiring talks from international guest speakers, and — the heart of the day — a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Ipswich to the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace. To walk together through Ipswich, publicly, behind Jesus in the Eucharist, will be something none of us will forget.

It is important to register. It is completely free, but seats are limited, so please don't leave it. You can register at eucharisticcongressipswich.org/programme where you will find the full programme. Perhaps you can offer a lift to someone who might not otherwise be able to get there.

Suffolk Churches annual Cycle Ride and Stride will take place on this coming Saturday 12th September. If you would

like to take part, either by cycling or walking, then pick up a sponsor form, together with list of open churches, from the back of church. 50% of your money will go to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the other 50% to our parish. The funds raised make a massive contribution to the preservation and future of the historic churches and chapels of Suffolk. If you love cycling or walking, then this is a good one for you!

We also need volunteers to welcome those visiting our churches on the day. Can you spare an hour? Sign up at Leiston and Aldeburgh.

Adoremus National Eucharistic Congress, Saturday 10th October The diocese is delighted that fifty places are available for participation in the National Eucharistic Congress in London on the 10th of October this year. The day begins at midday with Mass in St George's Cathedral, Southwark, followed by a keynote address by Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe. After a picnic lunch, the day will culminate with a historic Eucharistic Procession, through the streets of London, from Southwark to Westminster Cathedral where devotions will continue into the evening. Those who would like to register interest in participating in this momentous celebration of our faith are asked simply to email the Diocesan Adoremus Representative, peter.wygnanski@rcdea.org.uk to receive further information.

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. Last week's plate collection £307.38p. 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.**

We remember those who are sick and housebound in the parish and all whose anniversaries occur at this time and especially Mike Wilson from Saxmundham who died last Monday – we also remember Judith and his family at this time

Every blessing for the coming week Fr David

Readings for 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First reading

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Thus says the Lord: 'So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95(94):1-2. 6-7b. 7c-9. R7c, 8a

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'*

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;
let us hail him with a song of praise.

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'*

O come; let us bow and bend low.
Let us kneel before the Lord who made us,
for he is our God, and we the people,
the people of his pasture, the flock of his hand.

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'*

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your forebears put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.'

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'*

Second reading

Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and Sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love each other. For the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet', and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia.

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two

others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.'