

Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh

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Second Sunday of Easter

12th April 2026

Masses during the Week

All Masses at Aldeburgh are live-streamed*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* People of the Parish
Sunday (12th) 0915 Leiston
1100 Aldeburgh* Ints of Henry Wilson

Monday No Mass today
Tuesday 0900 Leiston
Wednesday 0900 Aldeburgh*
Thursday 0900 Leiston
Friday 0900 Aldeburgh*

Saturday 1800 Aldeburgh* Francis & Mildred
Riches and Family (FM)
Sunday (19th) 0915 Leiston People of the Parish
1100 Aldeburgh*

Livestreamlink for Mass

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

We extend a warm welcome to those visiting our parish this weekend.

Tea, coffee and hot chocolate is served in the hall after the Sunday Mass at Leiston. All welcome.

There are always so many people to thank at this time – everyone who helped to make Lent such a special time of preparation for Holy Week and Easter. Many thanks to our musicians, singers, altar servers, readers, Eucharistic ministers, sacristans, stewards, collectors and our flower arrangers, cleaners of the linen and church cleaners, as well as those who look after the website and all those who do so much behind the scenes. In short, thanks to everyone in the parish for all you do week by week.

Diocesan Newspaper: The April issue is now available at the back of church. It's free!

The Monthly United Prayer Gathering at Leiston is on this coming Tuesday at 10.00am at the Baptist Church, John Street, Leiston. All welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on the first Bank Holiday Monday of May (4th). Book the date. Full details to follow.

Lenten Alms: Any monies saved during Lent may be given to our diocesan Lenten Alms collection which will go to support the Catholic Church in Jerusalem, with whom we have a diocesan twinning. There is a collection basket at the back of church.

"Head to Heart": Retreat Day for Women 2026:

Organised by the Diocese, the highly popular *Retreat Day For Women* will take place on **Saturday 23rd May** with talks given by the sisters of the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham at their home in Dereham, Norfolk. Join us as we explore ways of growing in our relationship with Christ. The day will explore some of Saint Edith Stein's ideas of what it means to be a woman and the unity God desires to bring us to, as well as how to carry the crosses of daily life. The day will include two talks, time for discussion and fellowship, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament as well as a cream tea. Places are limited! Booking essential! Booking Form and all information found here:

www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/

Please direct all enquiries to mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

The diocese is recruiting for the All New Ignite Team!

Leaving school or university in the summer, or would like to do something 'different'? We are looking for people to join the All New Ignite Team, sharing the Gospel Message with young people. **These are salaried positions** which includes training as an apprentice for a nationally recognised qualification. For more information, please see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome: As we approach the 50th anniversary of the Diocese of East Anglia, this pilgrimage offers a profound opportunity to give thanks for the faith that has been handed down to us, to pray for the future of our Diocese, and to deepen our communion with the Universal Church. All are warmly invited to consider joining Bishop Peter and fellow pilgrims for what promises to be a grace filled and memorable Jubilee journey to Rome. Organised in partnership with Pilgrimage People, the five-day pilgrimage will take place from 27th to 31st October 2026. The cost of the pilgrimage is £1,550 per person sharing a twin or double room, with a limited number of single rooms available for a supplement of £220. The price includes return airfare with 10kg carry-on baggage, accommodation, transport in Italy, guiding services, gratuities and entrance fees. *Please note that the itinerary is not suitable for less able travellers.*

A deposit of £400, together with a completed booking form at the link below, is required ASAP, with the balance due by 4 August 2026. <https://bit.ly/EA50Rome>

More information on joining the pilgrimage can be found on the Diocesan Website here: [Diocese to Celebrate Golden Jubilee with Pilgrimage - Catholic Diocese Of East Anglia](#) or

by contacting Elizabeth Pugh at Pilgrimage People on office@pilgrimagepeople.org

Money Matters: Thank you for your weekly collections. 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. **For Gift Aid purposes, the Charity number for the diocese is 278742.**

Maundy Thursday collection for the Emmaus Centre, Ditchingham = £240.71

Good Friday collection for the Holy Places = £308.40

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

Every blessing for the coming week
Fr David

Readings for the Second Sunday of Easter

First reading

Acts 2:42-47

The believers devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the Apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the Temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they shared their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 118(117):2-4. 13-15b. 22-24. R1

*Give praise to the Lord, for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.*

Let the house of Israel say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'

Let the house of Aaron say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'

Let those who fear the Lord say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'

*Give praise to the Lord, for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.*

They pushed me, pushed me hard to knock me down,
but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and salvation
in the tents of the righteous.

*Give praise to the Lord, for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.*

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done,
a marvel in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice in it and be glad.

*Give praise to the Lord, for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.*

Second reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith — more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honour at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia.

You believed, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord.

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

Alleluia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord'. But he said to them, 'Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.'

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.