

Parish Stewardship

*Giving is an act of the heart. You may give without loving,
but you cannot love without giving.*

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Mary’s

Gift Aid	£572.00
Loose	£397.10
Standing Orders	£80:00
TOTAL	£652.10

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter’s

Gift Aid	£47.80
Loose	£222.32
Standing Orders	£285.75
TOTAL	£555.87

**St Mary’s Restoration Funding stands at:
£-(minus) 13,600.55**



St Mary’s Parish Giving please consider making any donations or your weekly collection to St Mary’s using the QR code displayed here. You can donate **£1, £5, £10** or any other amount you specify. St Mary’s can also claim Gift Aid for your donation by using this method of payment.

Please consider a Standing Order for your weekly offering. During these unprecedented times for the Church, Country, and the World as a whole. Would you please consider setting up a standing offering to the Parish of St Mary’s or St Peter’s so that our Churches can still receive some much-needed funds? Please email Anna at the Parish office or call the parish office for any query on this. Here are the Bank details for St Mary’s and St Peter’s.
ACCOUNT NAME: St Mary’s RC Catholic Church. Sort code: 55-81-45. Account no: 18226558.

ACCOUNT NAME: St Peters Parish. Sort code: 40-22-34. Account no: 81003879.

Daily Mass In The Parish If you are free during the week, why not come to weekday mass and get into the habit of making daily mass part of your life.

Inviting all young people aged 16 – 30 to the Transform Festival September 9th – 11th

Come and experience your faith in a new and dynamic way. Held at Clare Priory the Transform Festival will include live music, powerful talks, passionate prayer and interactive workshops, as well as good food and free time! Organised by the Diocesan Youth Service and Clare Priory. See www.transformfestival.uk for more information.

St Mary’s Food bank has reopened

Please donate generously as you have been doing. Most welcome are tinned and packet food as well as toiletries.

Headteacher vacancies:

St Mark’s Catholic Primary School, Ipswich
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Peterborough
Please see diocesan website for more details: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/>

A profuse ‘Thank you’ to an anonymous donor for a £500.00 donation to St Mary’s parish. May God reward you immensely.

We pray for all our parishioners, their family and friends who celebrate their Birthday in August.

Forthcoming Diary Dates: SM SVP, SP SVP, SP/SM PPC, SP/SM PFC, and KSC.

Phyllis Ecclestone who passed away recently, may God grant her eternal rest. Please pray for her family especially her daughter Linda Turner for God’s consolation. Funeral service is on Friday 9th September in St Mary’s at 1:00pm.

2023 First Holy Communion Form for St Mary’s and St Peter’s parishes for children in Year 3 and above is out and at the back of church.

Completed Form should be returned with the baptismal certificate of the child to the parish’s office the child attends Mass. Closing date for admission into this programme is Wednesday 5th October 2023.

New Parishioners We welcome all our new parishioners who recently moved into Great Yarmouth and Gorleston. If you know any of them who would like to attend Masses and other liturgies, but are unable to find our churches, if you can’t help, please get in touch with the parish office.

Faithful Stewards of God’s Gifts-Time, Talents and Treasurer

Thank you to all who joined the Stewardship programme at St Peters in May. As a result, we have recruited 34 new volunteers who are filling 59 roles across the Parish. You have also been very generous in raising our income from Planned Giving. Our standing orders are increasing, and we remain grateful to parishioners that have started contributing to weekly or monthly collections and also to those who were already contributing. Your help is very much appreciated. If you have not done so already and wish to contribute, please contact the priest. **Thank you**

St Mary’s Roof Work A total amount of **£4,307.35** was raised from sponsoring of slates organized by Mr Brian Lafferty and his wife Janice, for St Mary’s Church roof work. A very big thank to Brian and Janice. The parish is also grateful to all our parishioners and friends who sponsored some slates for the roof work. As the roof work is completed, the parish requests and encourages individuals, Groups or ethnic nationalities in the parish that wishes to organize event/s to raise fund for the parish to pay part of the counterpart fund; for the grants received from Historic England for the Church’s roof, to please speak to Brian Lafferty(Chair of Finance Committee), any of the Priests in the parish or call the parish’s office in this regard. Thanks!

Sanctuary lamps

We are offering parishioners the opportunity to pay for the 4 Sanctuary Lights used in the church. 4 lamps will burn 7 days a week. Before (1) The Blessed Sacrament (2) The Shrine of Our Lady of Yarmouth (3) For Peace and (4) The Sacred Heart Chapel of All Nations. Each light costs £3.75 (£15 for all four) and will burn for a week. Please advise the purpose of the lamps i.e. in memory of, for the Name of Family etc. This will be published in the Newsletter.

A warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend.