

Catholic Parishes of St Mary's, Great Yarmouth and St Peter's, Gorleston

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Gorleston, Acle & Caister

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1st WEEK OF ADVENT – 1st DECEMBER 2019

Divine Office Week 1

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 30 th Nov	1st Sunday of Advent - Vigil Mass		
	Acle	17:00	People of the Parish
Sunday 1 st Dec	SP	09:00	Mathew and Anna Kutty
	SM	11:00	Michael Donovan †
	SP	14:00	Malayalam Mass
	Caister	17:00	Michael Joseph Cleary †
Monday	Advent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass
Tuesday	S Francis Xavier P. Mem. (Migrants' Day)		
	JPH	16:30	Ursula Cole
	SM	19:00	Agnes and George Holt †
Wednesday	Advent Feria		
	SP	09:30	Priest's intention
	SM	10:00	Stanley Seago †
Thursday	Advent Feria		
	SM	09:30	Adoration
	SM	10:00	Priest's intention
	SM	18:00	Portuguese Mass
	SP	19:30	Matthew Kuncheria †
Friday	Advent Feria		
	SP	10:00	Sick of the Parish
	SM	10:00	Fr David Hennessy †
Saturday	S Ambrose B. Mem.		
	SP	09:30	Edward Ryan †
	SP	10:00	Adoration and Confession
	SM	10:00	Nina Davis †
	SM	10:30	Confession

Please remember in your prayers: all in the parish who are ill; Molly Able, Tony Adamson, Ann Askew, Tony Baker, Tim Bushell, Brendan Byrne, Mary Byrne, Jeanette Charalambous, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Ursula Cole, Angela Cooper, Marie Coward, Anthony D'Arcy, Geoffrey Davis, Filomena Desira, Sam Desira, Martin Downey, Susan Fabian, Alice Flynn, Sam Gill, Joyce Hastings, Rosemarie Hawkins, Michael Howlings, Ruth Jermy, Pat Kirton, Brian Lafferty, Mollie Marsden, Eileen McCarney, Linda McGurk, Margaret Morton, Glen Nudd, Joanne O'Gregory, Joe Paton, Dorothy Pearce, Beryl Pearson, Tom Ryan, Michael Ryan, Marta Sofia, Frank Tennant, Jonathon Walsh, Anthony Willets, Patrick Willets and Karen Zerafa. May the Lord heal them.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Kevin Barry, Ethel Baxter, John Bosmans, Kathleen Crisp, Kitty Dewhurst, Violet Dimmack, Michael Donohoe, Ellen Dunster, Gertrude Eaton, Amy Edwards, Ann French, Rosemary Good, George Holt, Larinia Jackson, Aleksandra Kasparavieius, Josephine Lisamore, Maurice McDermott, Frank Medhurst, Doris Morris, Elsie Rochford, Stanley Seago, Ronald Stannard, Kathleen Taylor, Hilda Williams, Horace Worwood, Miquelina Xavier and Rose Young. May they rest in peace.

A warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend

Registered Charity No:
278742

Information

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Parish Office Hours

SM Tue 09:00 – 14:00

SP Wed 09:00 – 14:00

SP Thurs 09:00 – 12:00

Schools

St Mary & St Peter

Primary School

Tel: 01493 445117

Notre Dame High School
Norwich Tel: 01603 611431

Baptism

2 months' notice required

Marriage

6 months' notice required

Emergency Number

If you need a priest in an emergency please contact
01502 572453

(OLSS, Lowestoft)

The Cycle of Prayer

During Advent and Christmastide, we are asked to pray for these intentions: Openness to the Word of God; Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

Psalm Response:

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house'.

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	£102.00
Loose	£324.78
Standing Orders	£200.00
TOTAL	£626.78

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter's

Gift Aid	£195.00
Loose	£183.93
Standing Orders	£120.00
TOTAL	£498.93

St Mary's Restoration Funding stands at: £-(minus) 14,275.96

Retiring collection last weekend for the Diocesan Youth Service: **SM £82.68 SP £62.50**
Retiring collection this weekend is for SVP Christmas Appeal

St Mary's & St Peter's Posadas: will begin their journeys today **Sunday 1st December**. If you would like to host Mary & Joseph for a night, and give some time to prepare your family for Christmas during this season, then please sign the list at the back of Church.

St Peter's Advent House Masses any parishioners willing to host a House Mass, inviting friends and neighbours, during the Advent season, please speak to Fr Alex.

The Living Room provides a safe space for rough sleepers in different church buildings in Gt Yarmouth each night (Fri-Mon at the moment) over the winter months. They are looking for volunteers to help provide this much needed service. There are 3 shifts and more details can be found in the leaflets at back of church. All volunteers will be given training and be subject to DBS checks & will be working with other Christians.

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje will be led by Fr Alvan in late September 2020. The price is **£645pp** sharing but we are running an early booking offer of **£100** off for those who book and pay in full by **6th December**. Price includes return flights Stansted to Croatia, 15kg checked in luggage + £10kg hand luggage, transfers, 7 nights accommodation in Medjugorje close to St James's Church, breakfasts & evening meals, all current airport taxes & charges, full religious programme with local team of guides led by senior rep Philip Ryan. If you are interested please contact Janice Lafferty 07903 471025 or Neil Gillies 07918 610951.

The God who speaks, dwells among us a programme that will run for 3 weeks in preparation for Christmas. It will begin on **Thursday 5th December** at **5:30pm** in St Peter's Hall. Please, come & join us.

Faith Club 7th December at St Peter's 16:30 and on **21st December** Faith Club retreat/Christmas Party at Sacred Heart School, Swaffham – speak to any of the priests if you would like your child/children to join us, or if you would like to support in terms of food/transport. See poster in the porch for more details.

Christmas Carol Service at St Peter's Church on **Monday 16th December** at 19:15. The Chorus of St Cecilia & St Mary and St Peter School Choir. Refreshments served in the hall after. You are invited to bring a shared plate of festive food & leave in the hall before the service. All welcome.

Forthcoming Diary Dates:

1. **SM & SP Sunday School** – today 1st Dec
2. **SP SVP** – next meeting today Sun 1st Dec after Mass
3. **SM SVP** – next meeting Wed 4th Dec at 10:00
4. **SP PPC** – next meeting Wed 4th Dec 19:00
5. **KSC** – next meeting Wed 4th Dec at 19:30 in St Peter's Hall
6. **SM PPC** – next meeting Thu 5th Dec at 19:00 in the Presbytery
7. **SP Bingo** – Sat 7th Dec eyes down 19:00 in aid of SP Restoration Fund
8. **St Peter's Event Team** – next meeting Tue 4th Jan 2020 at 19:00 in the church hall

Scripture is at the centre of everything the Church does the year 2020 is the 10th Anniversary of *Verbum Dei* – Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation on 'The Word of the Lord' and the 1,600 anniversary of St Jerome's death. These dates have inspired the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales to dedicate 2020 as a year of focus on the Bible and 'The God Who Speaks'. The inauguration of the year of the Bible will take place in our 2 parishes today **1st December** (1st Sunday of Advent) at 17:00. Please come and be part of the celebration.

St Mary's SVP Christmas Appeal will be made at all Masses this weekend. We hope you respond with your usual generosity to enable us to provide assistance over the Christmas period. A retiring collection will also be taken at St Peter's for their SVP appeal.

St Peter's Christmas Coffee Morning and Table Top Sale will be held on **Saturday 7th December** from 10:30. If you can help in anyway with decorations/cakes/books/toys/gifts or can offer a hand on the day please speak to Joan 07788 901039 or Bridget. Admission is 50p.

St Peter's Christmas Dinner will be on **Saturday 14th December** at 19:30 in the Church Hall. A 3 course meal with a complimentary drink on arrival. Tickets are £15.00 each available from Tommy and Barbara Clark. (tel 01493 652102) Proceeds to St Peter's Church. The bar will be open and a Christmas raffle will take place.

St Mary's SVP are holding a Christmas Party for our senior citizens on **Thursday 12th December** 11:00-13:00 in St Mary's Church Hall. All welcome.

Missionaries of the Poor Raffle Thank you so much for your generosity and supporting this cause. **£540.00** was raised. You have brought the 70 severely disabled men one step nearer towards a new home. Such hope! Praise the Lord. Moira

Thank you to everyone who supported the Meadow Farm coffee morning for St Mary's SVP. We raised **£418.49**. Thanks to all who contributed in anyway. God Bless. Angela

First Holy Communion Classes for children continue at St Mary's on **Wed 4th December** (please note this is also a Parents' session) and for children at St Peter's on **Wed 11th December** both at 17:00.

Confirmation Classes continue on **Friday 6th December** at 17:00 in St Mary's Hall.

St Peter's Calendars many were collected last week, the rest will be here today 1st Dec – see Bill after Mass.

We pray for all our parishioners, family members and friends whose birthday is in the month of December.

