

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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4th WEEK OF ADVENT – 20th DECEMBER 2015

Divine Office Week 4

Registered Charity No:
278742



Information

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Parish Office Hours

Wed & Thurs 8:00am-2:00pm
Please don't ring on Tuesdays!

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)

Prayer of the week:

The Holy Father Mission
Intention for December is:
'That families and especially
those families who suffer,
may find in the birth of Jesus
a sign of certain hope,'
Amen.

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 19 th Dec	4th Sunday Of Advent - Vigil Mass		
	Acle	17:00	Kenneth Harbord †
	SM	19:00	Polish Mass
Sunday 20 th Dec	SP	09:00	People of the Parish
	SM	11:00	Adelino Soares, Fransisco Belo & Matalda Amaral
	Caister	17:00	Leo Sutton †
Monday	Advent Feria		
	SM	10:00	Joseph Vettese †
Tuesday	Advent Feria		
	SM	10:00	John, Anne, Helen, Felix & Larry Rooney and Michael Delaney †
Wednesday	Advent Feria		
	SM	10:00	Oscar Alves, Benedita Ximenes and families
	JPH	16:30	Cheriyam †
Thursday	Advent Feria		
	SP	10:00	Ann Nettleship †
	The Nativity Of The Lord. Solemnity with Octave		
	Caister	17:00	Terry Pawsey, Doris & Reg Partington †
	SP	20:00	People of the Parish
Friday	SM	23:00	Mollie and Kevin Marsden
	Christmas Day		
	SM	09:00	Polish Mass
	SP	09:00	Doherty and Kelf Families
	Acle	09:15	Richard Atkinson †
	SM	11:00	People of the Parish
Saturday	SM	14:00	Portuguese Mass
	S Stephen, The First Martyr. Feast		
	SM	11:00	Housebound of the Parish
	SP	11:00	Brian Precious †
	SM	16:00	Polish Mass No Mass at Acle

Please remember in your prayers: all in the parish who are ill; Molly Able, Ann Patricia Askew, Sadie Baker, Jeanette Charalambous, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Jean Clarke, Martin Cordingley, Anthony D'Arcy, Chris Doherty, Jean Foreman, Muriel Gale, Terry Good, Joyce Hastings, Rosemarie Hawkins, Michael Howlings, Kevin and Mollie Marsden, Mary-Ann Moody-Cliffe, Nora Norton, Joe Paton, Beryl Pearson, Hermie Rooney, Michael Ryan, Tom Ryan, Winifred Sanderson, Lilian Skinner, Marta Sofia and Martha Sutton. May the Lord reach out his healing hand towards them.

A warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend

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	£112.70
Planned Giving	£129.65
Standing Orders	£250.00
Loose	£369.72
TOTAL	£862.07

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter's

Gift Aid	£223.00
Loose	£223.72
Standing Orders	£159.00
TOTAL	£605.72

Restoration Funding stands at: **£77,731.55**
(This excludes English Heritage Funding)

By tradition the Christmas Offering is your gift to the clergy of the parish – thank you

National Nativity Scene Painting Competition: run by the Knights of St Columba is open to 2 separate age groups. 1) School Years Reception, Yr 1 & Yr2: 2) School Years 3,4,5 and 6. All entries must be their own free hand drawing and colouring on A4 or A3 paper. On the reverse must be written name of entrant, their age, date of birth and school year group. All entries should be given to either a KSC or Fr Philip by 2nd January 2016 – see poster for more details.

New Year Epiphany Candlelight Mass: on **Sunday 3rd January** The White House, Poringland at 17.00 for all young people & their families across the diocese. Followed by hot dogs, a bonfire & fireworks. There will be a collection of presents for children who are refugees (please bring wrapped presents & indicate whether suitable for boy/girl & approx. age). Details in the porch. Fr Philip will have a few seats if wanted.

Advent Reflections: led by Mgr John Armitage on Sky EWTN from the National Shrine of Walsingham. I will record these reflections, anyone who wishes to watch them please let me know. It is wonderful that the whole world through EWTN can visit this wonderful Shrine – thank you Suzanna Craig.

Parish Office: will be closed from 14.00 on 23rd December until 08.00 on the 30th December. Also it will be closed on 31st December. Any items to be included in the newsletter 26th/27th December need to be emailed to Jo at the rectory by 11.00 on 23rd December and items for 2rd/3rd Jan by 11.00 on the 30th December please.

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Lowestoft: Headteacher required from September 2016. Please see the Diocesan Website for more details: www.rcdea.oreg.uk

Merry Christmas to you all – Jo Kelf

Diocesan Yearbook 2016 now available at the back of the Church, price £4. A good read!

St Peter's Christmas Prayer Box: - still at the back of St Peter's for your prayer requests.

Large print bulletin available at the back of

Forthcoming Diary Dates:

1. **GY Sunday School** – the children take part in the Nativity during Mass today 20th Dec – Sunday School then takes break for Christmas and resumes on 10th January
2. **GOR Sunday School** – today 20th Dec
3. **GOR SVP** – next meeting Wed 6th Jan 9:15 in the Committee Room, St Peter's
4. **GY SVP** – next meeting Wed 6th Jan 10:00 at St Ignatius, Caister

Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time;

Constance Beales, Jennifer Borg, Dora Crofts, Michael Cucurullo, Sr Theresita Curley, Gertrudes Da Costa, Flora Della-Spina, Ann Ellis, Rose Evans, Margaret France, Audrey Gibbs, Sr Mary Givens, Sylvia Hamilton, Sr Anna-Marie Hannaert, John Harris, Anthony Hornby, Wladyslaw Jarzebinski, John Morrow, Ann Nettleship, Leo Peterson, Olive Shanks, Bernadette Stuart. May they rest in peace.

Decorating St Mary's Church: help is needed to decorate the Church for Christmas – please see Fr Philip if you are able to lend a hand during the week beginning **Monday 21st December**.

St Peter's Red Boxes: many thanks for the red boxes already received. I need to bank any money to be included in this year's figures by **21st Dec**. Please hand boxes to me or leave in the Sacristy. A Joyful Christmas to all from Barbara Clark.

Thank-you: to all who supported the Mince pies and Coffee Morning last Saturday, **£90.50** was raised for Church funds. Special thanks to Vera and Paula for all their hard work. Raffle winners are as follows: 1st Maggie (Celine) no 141, 2nd Neil 177, 3rd Jackie 195, 4th Mollie 130, 5th Margaret Kane 235, 6th Freda (c/o Mary) 216 – please collect prizes from the Rectory.

Food bank–next weekend 26th/27th Dec: Most useful items include tins of beans, soup, fruit and packets of rice, pasta, biscuits & cereals. **Non-perishable items only please.** Also toiletry items including soap, flannels, toothbrushes, toothpaste & shampoo. These will then be taken to one of the centres which are run by the Salvation Army, Gorleston Baptist Church and Mary Magdalene Church – thank you for your support.

Very many thanks to the Chorus of St Cecilia for the wonderful concert they gave at St Peter's a few weeks ago and also for the very generous donation of £310 to St Peter's, raised by their concerts. This wonderful gift is very welcome and much appreciated.

Out of hours homeless resource is being planned by several Churches in Great Yarmouth and some volunteers are needed to help with this venture. There will be some training offered in the new year, but if any of you want to be involved in this work, please contact the Office by email or speak to Fr Philip.

Altar servers' feastday is the feast of St Stephen, **Saturday 26th December**, there is Mass at both SM and SP at 11.00, it would be great to see the altar servers at Mass in great numbers that day to mark

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the feast of their patron, the first martyr.

Decorating the tree please bring your children to help decorate the tree at SM on 24th from 11.00 onwards.