

# 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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## SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS – 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2017

Divine Office Week 1

Registered Charity No:  
278742

Day	Place	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b><i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Feast – Vigil Mass</i></b>		
	Acle	17:00	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	SP	09:00	Warren Fernandez †
	SM	11:00	Mollie Marsden
	SP	13:30	<i>Malayalam Mass</i>
	Caister	17:00	Leslie Burgess †
<b>Monday</b>	<b><i>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God.</i></b>		
	SP	09:00	Arthur Bean †
	SM	11:00	Tony Santarsieri
	SM	19:00	<i>Polish Mass</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b><i>SS Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen BBDD. Mem</i></b>		
	JPH SM	16:30 19:00	William Rodgers † Sick of the Parish
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b><i>Christmas Feria</i></b>		
	SM	10:00	Romelle Barnard †
<b>Thursday</b>	<b><i>Christmas Feria</i></b>		
	SM	09:30	<i>Adoration</i>
	SM	10:00	Priest's intention
	SP	19:30	George Clarke †
<b>Friday</b>	<b><i>Christmas Feria</i></b>		
	School	10:00	Pupils of the school
<b>Saturday</b>	<b><i>Christmas Feria</i></b>		
	SM	10:00	Peter Hall †
	SM	10:30	<i>Confession</i>

### Information

#### **Priest in Charge**

Fr Anthony Nwankwo SMMM  
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#### **Assistant Priest**

Fr Alex Ibe SMMM  
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#### **Parish Deacon**

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

SM Tue 08:00 – 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:**

He, the Lord, is our God. He  
remembers his covenant for  
ever.

**Please remember in your prayers: all in the parish who are ill;** Molly Able, Tony Adamson, Ann Askew, Sadie Baker, Jeanette Charalambous, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Angela Cooper, Anthony D'Arcy, Filomena Desira, Sam Desira, Simon Ellison, Muriel Gale, Joyce Hastings, Rosemarie Hawkins, Sandra Hennessy, Michael Howlings, Christine Iles, Brian Lafferty, Mollie Marsden, Eileen McCarney, Linda McGurk, Mary-Ann Moody Cliffe, Glen Nudd, Joanne O'Gregory, Joe Paton, Dorothy Pearce, Beryl Pearson, Tom Ryan, Michael Ryan, Lilian Skinner, Marta Sofia, Jonathon Walsh, Anthony Willets, Patrick Willets John Wright and Karen Zerafa. May the Lord give them comfort.  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time;** James Alford, Romelle Barnard, George Clark, Karoline Czykieta, Salvatore Farnese, Phyllis Fitzgibbon, May Gower, Dolores Gregory, Alfred Guy, Marguerite Hart, Joyce Higgs, Michael Kelly, Ursula McCabe, David McGovern, Margaret McMurugh, Agnes Meredith, Elizabeth O'Neill, Edith Pettitt, Mary Rayner, William Richardson, Tommy Rosati, Jacqueline Santarsieri, Tony Santarsieri, Stanislaw Sitek, Muriel Stanton, Daniel Sullivan, Alda Symonds and John Thompson. May they rest in peace.

**MARGARET ROBERTSON** who died recently, may the Lord grant her eternal rest and comfort to her family and friends.

*A very Happy New Year to you and all your family.*

### 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	£
Loose	£
Standing Orders	£
TOTAL	£

#### Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter's

Gift Aid	£144.00
Loose	£263.92
Standing Orders	£135.00
TOTAL	£542.92

**Restoration Funding stands at: - £31,974.86**

**Fr Alex** is away for 4 weeks holiday to visit family. We wish him safe travelling and he will be back on **27<sup>th</sup> January 2018**. Please check the newsletter for details of available weekday Masses.

**Very many thanks** from Fr Anthony and Fr Alex for the many cards and gifts that we have received at the two Presbyteries over the Christmas season, these are very gratefully received. Thank you also to all who helped in anyway to decorate and prepare St Mary's, St Peter's & St Ignatius' Churches for Christmas, and to all the Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir, Organists, Cleaners and those who helped in anyway. Thanks for your time and many skills.

**"Laudate Si- on the care for our common home"** was written by Pope Francis in 2015. **Reflection 11:** From 214: "All Christian communities have an important role to play in ecological education. It is my hope that our seminaries and houses of formation will provide an education in responsible simplicity of life, in grateful contemplation of God's world, and in concern for the needs of the poor and the protection of the environment". This week you are invited to reflect and pray: Heavenly Father, as the New Year dawns, we pray that you will pour your blessings and grace over all of your people here on Earth, and inspire us to love, respect and care for all of your creation. Help us to live simply, so that others may simply live.

**Epiphany Candlelight Mass** Followed by hotdogs, a bonfire and fireworks for all young people from across the diocese. 5pm-7pm **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at the White House, 21 Ugate, Poringland, Norwich NR14 7SH.

**World Youth Day – Panama 2019** join hundreds of thousands of young people from around the world to celebrate Mass with Pope Francis. For young people who will be 17 and older by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018. For information please see [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth)

**Diocesan Yearbook 2018** is now available at St Mary's and St Peter's, price £3. It is a good read.

**Large print bulletin** available at the back of Church

### Forthcoming Diary Dates:

1. **SM Sunday School** – on Xmas break
2. **SP Sunday School** – on Xmas break
3. **SM SVP** – next meeting Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 10:00 at St Ignatius, Caister
4. **SP SVP** – next meeting Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Jan in the Hall after Mass
5. **SM Finance Committee** – next meeting Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Jan in the Presbytery at 18:00
6. **KSC Meeting** – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Jan in SP Hall at 19:30

**Acle First Holy Communion Programme** will begin on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at St Edmund's in the South Porch, at 16:50.

**Confirmation 2018** if there are any more forms to be handed in, please do so as soon as possible as the classes will begin shortly.

**Race Night** due to the previous night being cancelled at the last minute, the Knights of St Columba will be holding a Race Night in St Peter's Hall on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**. The first race starts at 19:00. Tickets priced at £5.00 and includes Fish & Chips served at 20:30. The proceeds will go to pay for Fr Anthony & Fr Alex to have driving lessons to enable them to get a car to fulfil their ministry. On behalf of the Knights of St Columba, have a Happy New Year.

**Margaret Robinson** aged 97 years, died peacefully at Lydia Eva Court on December 15<sup>th</sup>. She was a member of the Catholic Club at St Peter's for a number of years. Her Requiem Mass will be held at St Peter's on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January** at 14:00, followed by a service at the Crematorium at 15:10.

**Volunteers needed** to start up a Fundraising Committee at St Mary's – please see Fr Anthony if you can offer your help – thank you.

**Christmas cards** there are a number of cards waiting to be collected at St Mary's. Please look in the tray at the back of Church as there may be one (or more) for you.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult)** Sessions will resume in January (date to be advised) at St. Mary's

**Donations needed** in recent years the congregations of St Mary's and Acle have given generously provided gifts for the people of Cambodia. Fr Mark Hackeson and Ian Boast are taking a small party to the country in January. Please could we help fill their luggage with toothbrushes, pens, pencils and plasters for the vulnerable. Donations will be collected at the Masses the weekend of **6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> January**. Thank you all very much.

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January:**  
*The religious minorities in Asia* – That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

**May God bless you and all your family throughout 2018**