

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	£191.00
Loose	£372.57
Standing Orders	£100.00
TOTAL	£663.57

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter's

Gift Aid	£72.00
Loose	£243.25
Standing Orders	£285.75
TOTAL	£601.00

**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.

Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme at St. Peter's Parish has started. The next session will come up on **28th October at 17:00** in the hall. Non-Catholics who wish to join the catholic family all over the world are welcome. God bless you.

Foundation Governor in one of our Catholic Schools

The Diocese of East Anglia is responsible for 26 schools across the diocese. They all need foundation governors to provide support and challenge and oversight of the work of the school. We need more practising Catholics to put themselves forward to serve as foundation governors. If this is something you feel you might be able to contribute to (and full training and support will be provided) we would love to hear from you. Please contact me, Andy Stone, Director of Schools' Service by email andy.stone@rcdea.org.uk or by phone on 07500701977 if this could be something of interest to you.

Bingo Night: The sum of £223.20 was raised towards helping to erect a security wall around a seminary in Nigeria. Thank you to all who supported it. God bless you all.

Forthcoming Diary Dates:

1. St Marys AGM - **23 October**
2. St Peters RCIA Session – Friday **28 October** in the hall at 17:00
3. First Holy Communion St Marys & St Peters - Wednesday **2 November at 17:00**

New Bishop for the Diocese

The Holy Father, Pope Francis has appointed Canon Peter Collins of the Archdiocese of Cardiff as Bishop-Elect of our Diocese. The Bishop-elect Peter, will be ordained and installed on Wednesday 14th December. Bishop Alan is now the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese and still our Bishop.

Portuguese Fund-Raising event for St Mary's will hold on Saturday **22nd October at 14:00** in the Church hall

St. Mary's and St Peter's First Holy Communion The first class will start on **Wednesday 2nd November at 17:00** in the church for St Mary's parish and in the hall for St. Peter's Parish.

Margaret Louise, Peter Tauro and Catherine Ellis who died recently may their souls and all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen. May God bring comfort to their families and all who are touched by their death.

Parish Administration Please note the parish Administrator is on leave for two weeks from 16th October. She will return to the Office on Tuesday 1st November

Panafro Band Concert for St. Peter's will take place on **22nd October at 7pm**. Tickets: £10 Adults, £5 Youths, Children free. Tickets out soon. Proceeds to the church.

St. Peter's CCTV Cameras have been upgraded. We remain ever grateful to the anonymous donor that funded it. May the good Lord bless and continue to provide for her.

St. Peter's Bible Study and prayer group: We encourage parishioners who are willing to come for bible sharing and prayers to please meet in the hall on **21st October at 17:00**. The voice of prayer is never silent. God bless you all.

Extraordinary Annual General Meeting (AGM) for St Mary's I regret to inform you that this meeting will no longer hold on Sunday 9th October but on the **23rd** after the 11:00am Mass in the hall. This is due to some obvious reason. This meeting was usually held in May every year, but due to the effect of the covid, the parish could not organise this in the last two years. As we could not have this meeting last May, it has become necessary that we hold an extraordinary meeting to prepare us for May 2023 AGM. Please note this date on your diary as your presence and contributions will be appreciated. There will be nomination forms for you to let the parish know who you are nominating to come on the parish pastoral council of our parish. Thank you!