

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

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| Gift Aid | £211.00 |
| Loose | £518.60 |
| Standing Orders | £80.00 |
| TOTAL | £809.60 |

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter’s

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| Gift Aid | £91.00 |
| Loose | £161.20 |
| Standing Orders | £100.00 |
| TOTAL | £352.20 |

**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..

First Holy Communion Next Session

St Marys - **Wednesday 4 May** 17:00 in Church.

St Peters - **Wednesday 4 May** 17:00 in Church Hall.

All Covid rules are followed.

St Marys Roof – Sponsor a Slate

St. Mary’s cost to have the roof totally repaired will be in the region of £125,000.00 As part of trying to raise these funds we are asking anyone who would like to sponsor a slate for £10.00 and have a message written on the back of the slate to scan the QR Code here or go to our website

www.stmarysgy.org.uk or look for us on Facebook to donate. Copies of the slates will be put on the Parish website in due course. Bishop Alan is leading the way in buying 10 Slates. Slates are selling, please don’t delay, buy as soon as you can.

Tea & Coffee at St Peters There will be teas and coffees in the hall at St Peter’s after the 9.30 mass each week, and that it would be good to see lots of people getting together in the hall after mass. Thank you. Ask about joining us on Facebook/Whatsapp.

A Cleaner Needed at St. Peters If you are interested in helping to Cleaning the House/Parish Hall. Please call Fr Alex or any of the priests on 01493 301013/email rectorystmarys@gmail.com

Thank You – To the donor for £300 towards the cost of St Marys First Holy Communion Retreat. May God bless you for your generosity.

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

Physical meetings currently suspended.

Very many thanks from Fr Anthony, Fr Alvan and Fr Alex for the many cards and gifts that we have received at the two Presbyterys during this Easter season. These are very gratefully received. **We** also like to express our appreciation to all who helped in any way in St Mary’s, St Peter’s, St Ignatius’ and St Edmund’s Churches before and during this Easter. Well done and thanks for your time and many skills!

Lilian Joyce and June Blackman who died recently may their souls and all the faithful departed rest in peace. May God bring comfort to all who are touched by their passing on. The requiem Mass for Lilian Joyce is in St Mary’s on Friday 13th May at 10:00am.

First Friday (6th May) mass/adoration for health care workers/carers at 5:00pm in St Peter’s.

Day of Renewal in the Holy Spirit Saturday 14th May, 10:30 to 4:30pm at St Peter’s. This will be lead by Fr Alvan.

Faithful Stewards of God’s Gifts-Time, Talents and Treasurer: This new initiative within our Diocese seeks to help parishioners to see that they are very much responsible for their parish. The programme is on going across our Diocese and will run for over a period of three years. The Diocese has appointed Sandra Portas to help parishes in this regard. Please be informed that St Peter’s parish will start this programme on **1st of May**. Please speak to any of the priests or any member of finance Committee if you are able to volunteer to help in running the programme which will take four weekends consecutively. You can as well ring the parish office on **01493 301013** in this regard.

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.

Invitation to yearly Open Day at Masjid At Tawheed to introduce you to the local mosque and members of the community. Food and drinks will be available from 11.30am to 3.30pm at 39 Northgate Street Great Yarmouth NR30 1BH on May 21st 2022.

Annual Children and Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Tuesday 31st May 2022. Please make a note of this in your diary. Our two parishes will be going in a common coach as usual.

Poverty Challenge: See, Judge, Act- Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on povety, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. Download from www.csan.org.uk

The Sisters of St Louis warmly welcome our friends, past and present, to join us at the Church of Our Lady and St Etheldreda, Newmarket, for a Mass of Celebration and Thanksgiving on Saturday 21st May, 12-noon to honour our 110 years of ministry in England since the year 1912’.

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