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Other local Sunday Masses

King's Lynn (Our Lady) PE30 5ES: Sat. Evening 6:00pm, Sunday 11:30am.
 Gaywood (Holy Family) PE30 4AX: Sunday 9:30am.

PETER'S PENCE

An ancient custom still alive today

The practice of providing material support to those charged with preaching the Gospel, thus enabling them to devote themselves completely to their apostolic mission and to care for those in greatest need, is as old as Christianity itself (cf. Acts 4:34, 11:29).4

By the end of the eighth century the Anglo-Saxons felt so closely linked to the Bishop of Rome that they decided to send a regular annual contribution to the Holy Father. It was thus that the *Denarius Sancti Petri* (Alms of Saint Peter) originated and spread throughout Europe.

Like other practices of its kind, this custom underwent many changes in the course of the centuries, until in 1871 Pope Pius IX gave it his approval in the Encyclical Letter *Saepe Venerabilis* (5 August 1871).

At present the collection is taken up throughout the Catholic world either on 29 June, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, or on the Sunday closest to it.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for July: For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick, especially:

Madeleine Coughlan, Glyn Davis, Fr. Bill Dobson, Fred Grimley, Mary Grimley, Sarah King, Nicholas Koning, Anne Lindley, Fr. Henry MacCarthy, Joan McTaggart, Dickie Nally, Sharon Parkin, Michael Rhodes, James Skinner, Joy Skinner, Nicky Sugden, John Witting.

Please pray also for those who anniversaries occur this week:

Lawrence Scallon, Geoffrey Wilson, Michael Felton, Mark Jupe, Douglas Little, Tadeusz Tomaszewski.

LIST of the SICK

I give permission for my name to be included among the Prayers for the Sick

Name: Signature

***Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St. Edmund, Hunstanton
 with
 St. Cecilia, Dersingham***

MASS INTENTIONS 28th June - 5th July 2026 (13th Week in Ordinary Time)

Readings at Mass - Sundays: Year A. Weekdays: Cycle II

SS. Peter & Paul StC Solemnity	9:00am	People of the Parish
		<i>Second Collection for 'Peter's Pence'</i>
		<i>[Papal Charities]</i>
[Ps Wk 1]	OLSE 11:00am	Ints. Margaret Kent
Monday <i>feria</i>	OLSE 10:00am	Ints. HH Pope Leo XIV
Tuesday <i>feria or First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</i>	OLSE 10:00am	
Wednesday <i>feria or St. Oliver Plunket</i>	StC 10:15am	Ints. May Davey, unwell
Thursday <i>feria</i>	OLSE 10:00am	
Friday <i>St. Thomas feast</i>	OLSE 10:00am	Sylvia Coughlan RIP <i>followed by Exposition & Benediction</i>
Saturday <i>feria or St. Elizabeth of Portugal</i>		
14 th Sunday <i>of the Year</i>	StC 9:00am	Ints. Stuart Grant
[Ps Wk 2]	OLSE 11:00am	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation in the parish

StC - Sundays & Wednesdays after Mass

OLSE - by Request and on the last Friday of the Month after Mass

Ext. Ministers

28th June

5th July

Readers

28th June

5th July

OLSE

Paul Mulligan
Elizabeth Howe
Elizabeth Howe
Tom Koning

OLSE

Tom Koning
Angela Jewell

St.C

Peg Hunter
Anna Grant
Maureen Vernon
Anna Grant

St.C

Chris Davey
Lorna Hutchinson

Information and Events

Rosary Group: Monday 29th June at 2.00pm in the StC Meeting Room.

Bible Study: in the Garnett Room, next meeting on Tuesday 30th June 4pm.

Mothers' Prayers: Look out for information on the next gathering of this group.

Why Be Lonely Club - meets this Friday, 3rd July 2pm - 4pm at St C.

This Sunday there is a second collection for Peter's Pence

Support Needed for Families in Kyiv: We're told that **demand for paracetamol has reduced**, as it's mostly used by people who find swallowing tablets difficult; taking cold / flu remedies in drink form are easier to absorb. So the many folk who have been kindly donating paracetamol are asked, if it's possible to donate **Lemsip sachets (or similar)** these will be most welcome. **THANK YOU.**

The STRAWBERRY FAYRE was hugely successful; both enjoyable and productive. A grand total of £1000.00 (rounded up from £956.65 by an anonymous contribution) was raised in donations, raffle and tombola stalls, plant and puzzle stalls and of course entry tickets! Heartfelt thanks to the team - led by Maureen Vernon - who made it such a success. The funds raised are earmarked to contribute to the costs of installing a defibrillator at OLSE. This will benefit not only our parish community, but people nearby, including visitors to the town.

JULY FAIR TRADE STALL: Caroline's monthly stall will be next held on July 12th (to cater for those who attend the SVP pilgrimage to Walsingham on 5th).

SVP MATTERS 1. SVP NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: This will take place on Sunday 5th July, only two weeks away! The coach will pick up from St Cecilia's 11.40am. For those signing up for the pilgrimage, lifts can be arranged to bring you to St Cecilia's in time for 11.40am. There is a poster with full details on each church noticeboard, with space to sign up; but in brief: Mass will be at 2pm, and will include the Sacrament of the Sick; and Benediction will be at 4pm. The day is for everyone, not just SVP members and volunteers! This is another opportunity to receive the blessings of the Sacrament of the Sick, this time in the company of fellow pilgrims from across the country.

If you would like to talk to someone about anything related to the pilgrimage, contact Patricia Barkess 07746 412257 / Paul Mulligan 07905 009647

SVP MATTERS 2. SVP ANNUAL RAFFLE: Tickets are available for the SVP Summer Fundraiser Raffle - £1.00 each -buy a ticket or two to help support the SVP (Society of St Vincent de Paul) both at national level and in our own parish; our conference of The Wash will receive half of the proceeds of any tickets sold.

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS: It's uplifting to note that both of the two copies of Pope Leo's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, now available for parishioners to read, have been borrowed. The encyclical is described as offering "a path out of our anxious, brittle social life and into the peace and flourishing we yearn for" (Anna Rowlands, British theologian and member of the Vatican's Dicastery for Integral Human Development). Look out for when the parish copies are returned (one copy at each church) so that you can read it too.

ADVANCE NOTICE: CYCLE OF PRAYER: Each parish in the Diocese is allocated a week in the year during which to pray for the Intentions of the National Cycle of Prayer and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We have been allocated the week of 19th July. As with last year, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after each Mass during that week. More information later.

PARISH SUMMER PICNIC: A summary of the notice in last week's newsletter

Where: In OLSE gardens

When: Saturday 1 August (12:00 to 3:00)

What: A picnic lunch with beer, wine and soft drinks provided by the parish; and offerings of a simple dish to share from those who can bring one.

We need to have a clear idea of whether enough people will be interested in attending this, so please let us know by adding your name to the list available at both churches, **by 13th July at the latest.** Thank you!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027: Enrolment is now open for the first Holy Communion class for Eastertide next year. **First Holy Communions will be on Sunday 11th April 2027, the 3rd Sunday of Easter,** and the course of formation will commence early in the new school year in September 2026. Children who will begin Year 3 this September, or who are older but have not yet been prepared for first Holy Communion are eligible. **Enrolment is open 'til Sunday 19th July** when the schools break up for summer; any children from our parish who wish to join the class will be very welcome. Classes, each an hour long, take place on approx. 11 Saturday mornings at 11am in Holy Family Church in King's Lynn.

LIST of the SICK TO BE PRAYED FOR: Anyone who would like her/his name to be included in this List is invited either to email the Parish Office or complete, sign and return the **form printed overleaf.** Please note that it must be the sick person who gives permission for this by their signature [Data protection laws].

To remove your name from the list please contact the Parish Office.