

# Catholic Church of Our Lady and St. Walstan

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*We honour the two foundational pillars of the Church. In many respects Peter and Paul were very different characters. Over the centuries Paul has come to symbolize the internal structure and solidity of the Church, as Paul was entrusted the mission of evangelising the pagan world both through his preaching and his letters. Inseparable in Christian tradition, they were two remarkable and saintly men who built an eternal faith but were martyred brutally for their zeal.*

Sundays Year A ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week:  
**SS Peter and Paul**  
 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026

<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	<i>These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.</i>	
<b>First Reading</b>	<i>Now I am sure that the Lord has rescued me from the hand of Herod.</i>	<i>Acts 12:1-11</i>
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<i>From all my terrors the Lord set me free.</i>	<i>Psalm 34</i>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<i>'There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.'</i>	<i>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	<i>Alleluia, alleluia.                  You are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my Church,                  and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.                  Alleluia.</i>	
<b>Gospel</b>	<i>'You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.'</i>	<i>Matthew 16:13-19</i>

<b>Saturday</b>			<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Prada &amp; Hermoso Families (Living &amp; Deceased)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Jimmy Gallagher R.I.P.</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Feria</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Fr. Jim Lynch R.I.P.</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Feria</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Stephen Chamberlin R.I.P.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>Feria</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Vocations</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
			<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Ordination Mass – Cathedral</b>
			<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Sylvia Thurlow R.I.P.</b>

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday Masses.  
 Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30pm.  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the morning Mass.

**Sick and Housebound** – Please pray for Jenny King, Eamon McGrath, Peter King, Dorota Gobiecka-Grosz, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClosky, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany and Marcia Jenkin.

**Faithful Departed** – Please pray for Eric “Chum” Chamberlin, William Naughton, Bernardette Cinnamon, Dorothy Hodgkinson, Betty Kearns, Errol Tanner, Cherry Trestain, Elsie Paston, Thomas Luke, Michael Brickley, John Halligan, Concetta Borg and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

*“Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”*  
St. Peter, John 6:68-69

Join Bishop Peter at this year's **March For Life on Saturday 5th September in London**. Since the 1967 Abortion Act was implemented, over 10.6 million lives have been tragically ended in the womb in the UK. Each one of these was a unique, irreplaceable human being worthy of life and love. The March For Life is more than 'just' a march; the day starts with an indoor family festival with talks, games, music, testimonies, prayer and much more for all ages. We will then unite with thousands of others as we process through the streets of London to Parliament Square to witness to our central message of 'Life From Conception - No Exception!' For more information: [marchforlife.co.uk](http://marchforlife.co.uk). If you are planning on making your own way there, please contact Antonia Braithwaite who will put you in touch with the group from East Anglia: [mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk) For those in Norwich and Ipswich a coach will leave the Cathedral of St John the Baptist at 6.30am. For enquiries re Norwich pick-up contact Helen: 07905 713407. To book a place on the coach <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/norwich-ipswich-coach-trip-to-march-for-life-uk-2026-tickets-1991053694197?aff=oddtcreator>

**Confirmations 2027:** Registration is now open for next year's Confirmations. As usual, the youngsters will join with others at St John's Cathedral for the classes, which begin in September of this year, but will be confirmed here in their home parish at Costessey. Please note that the closing date for application is a firm one so don't delay to apply! For details please follow this link: [FHC and Confirmation Booking form 2026-27- please click here](#)

**Blessings!** At the end of his ordination Mass next Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Father Anthony (as he will be by then) will give first blessings to the congregation. However, as time will be tight for catching the coach back to St Walstan's can I suggest that we wait for our blessings until the following weekend (July 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>) when Fr Anthony will be offering both Sunday Masses at St Walstan's and giving first blessings at the end of them. There are still a few spaces on the coach for the ordination so please let Fr David know as soon as possible if you would like to go. The coach will leave St Walstan's at 10.00am and depart from the cathedral at 2.30pm.

**Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>:** Please note that there will be no 10.00am Mass or confessions on this day as Fr David will be attending Deacon Anthony's ordination at the cathedral.

#### **St Walstan's Lectio Divina Prayer Sessions**

We warmly invite you to join St Walstan's Lectio Divina sessions. The Bible is inspired by God and Lectio Divina offers a way of *encountering Scripture* rather than studying it; an opportunity to listen, reflect, and rest in God's presence. Our next sessions are 7pm in the Garden room **on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June, then 9<sup>th</sup> July, continuing fortnight.**

*“We walk by faith, not by sight.”*

St. Paul, 2 Corinthians 5:7

**Collections (DONA) 20<sup>th</sup> /21<sup>st</sup> June**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**

**£776.20 (£125)**

**£256.57**

**Many Thanks**

**Car Damaged:** On Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> a car was hit and scratched in the church car park while the owner was attending the 10.30am Mass. Sadly, no note was left. If anyone has any information about this incident please contact Fr David.

**UCM:** The next cake stall is on Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> after mass in the Garden Room

**Charity Cake Sale:** A number of pupils from Notre Dame High School will be holding a cake sale in the church porch after Mass on Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will go to the charity 'Catholic Concern for Animals'.

**St Augustine's School Fete:** Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>, 12noon-3.00pm. All welcome.

**Youth Group:** The next meeting will be on Friday of this week, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6.00-7.30pm in the Garden Room and is open to all of teenage years, give or take a couple of years. Please bring some games and a friend or two.

**Baptism Class:** The next class for parents wishing to have their children baptised will take place in the Presbytery (behind the church) from 3.30-4.30pm on Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>. Further details available from Fr David.

**Jubilee Information:** The Diocese of East Anglia is celebrating its 50th anniversary with a year-long schedule of festivities. On Sunday, July 19, St. Walstan's will participate in the festivities with a special Mass, followed by the yearly parish barbecue and the creation of a St. Walstan's booklet. We wish to honour and celebrate the cultural history of St. Walstan's parishioners as part of these celebrations. We are a unique parish because of our diversity, and we would want to know which nations our families are from so that we can honour them in our booklet. Please fill out the form on the porch if you are comfortable sharing your cultural heritage. Thank you, Priscilla and Marcelle.

**Teas After Mass:** There are spaces on the rotas in the church porch for people to make tea and coffee after both weekend Masses. New volunteers are always welcome. If you're not sure what to do, have a chat with those who are experienced hands.

**Diocesan Jubilee:** On Sunday, July 19, following Mass, the parish will celebrate our diocese's 50th anniversary with a BBQ and Fr. David's 70th birthday. We felt it would be entertaining to include pictures of parishioners in 1976, even if you weren't a parishioner at the time. (Yes, I am aware that many of you weren't around at the time—the pleasures of youth!) If you would like to submit a photo, please place it in the Presbytery's letterbox with your name and contact information printed on the back or on a post-it note that is attached.

Items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email [newsletter@stwalstans.com](mailto:newsletter@stwalstans.com). For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm.