

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham in Prittlewell



23rd August 2026

12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

St Peter's Confession of Faith

HYMNS

Int	471	We love the place, O God
Com	305	Soul of my Saviour
Final		<i>The Angelus</i>

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord to Shebna, who is over the household: "I will thrust you from your office, and you will be cast down from your station. In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of ah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your girdle on him, and will commit your authority to his hand; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David; he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. And I will

fasten him like a peg in a sure place, and he will become a throne of honour to his father's house".

The word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 11:33-36

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counsellor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid? For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Benedicam Dominum (Psalm 34:1-2)*

V. I will give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

R. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

Alleluia *Domine, Deus salutis (Psalm 88:1)*

Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

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The Gospel

The Lord be with you: **And with thy spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew 16:13-20

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven". Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



NEWS FROM THE ORDINARIATE

There will be no Sunday mass on the 6th September.

The fortnightly online Spiritual Conferences will continue in September on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays - 9th and 23rd. Details to be published in the September Newsletter.

The annual Mass for the Guild of St Stephen, to which our Servers are affiliated, will take place at Westminster Cathedral on the October 3rd, at 2.30pm. We plan to attend this event.

TEACHING FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Simon Peter holds the first place in the college of the Twelve; Jesus entrusted a unique mission to him. Through a revelation from the Father, Peter had confessed: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Our Lord then declared to him: "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it." Christ, the "living Stone", thus assures his Church, built on Peter, of victory over the powers of death. Because of the faith he confessed Peter will remain the unshakable rock of the Church. His mission will be to keep this faith from every lapse and to strengthen his brothers in it". (Para 552)