



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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May 26th, 2019 : SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (St.F) Int. +Betty Cuthbertson
Sunday 9:30am (St.F) Int. +For the People
11:00am (Con) Int.

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm.
Sunday 9.0am to 9.20am
Or by appointment

Weekday Masses

Monday FEAST OF ST.AUGUSTINE
OF CANTERBURY
9.30am (St.F) Int +Whishant Lloyd

The Rosary Friday at 11.15am

Tuesday EASTER FERIA
12:30pm (St.F) FUNERAL MASS FOR
VERNON WATTS, R.I.P.

The Mass today
The readings can be found on p.274 of the Parish
Mass Book, and on p.484 of The Sunday Missal.

Wednesday EASTER FERIA
No Mass today

At the 6.0pm Mass Eucharistic Prayer 2
Sanctus & Benedictus Parish Mass Book p.16
(Angelus) Hymn 278
At the 9.30am Mass Eucharistic Prayer 3
Gloria Belmont
Sanctus & Benedictus Belmont
Hymns : 270, 269, 720, 962
At the 11.0am Mass Eucharistic Prayer 3
Hymns 270, 287, 720

THURSDAY - ASCENSION DAY

Holyday of Obligation

11.0am Mass at St.Felix
7.30pm Mass at St.Felix

AT THE END OF SUNDAY MASSES DURING
EASTERTIDE - REGINA COELI
Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, Alleluia!
He whom thou wast meet to bear, Alleluia!
As he promised, hath arisen, Alleluia!
Pour for us to him thy prayer, Alleluia!
V. Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
R. For the Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!
Let us pray
O God, who by the resurrection of thy Son, Jesus
Christ. hast vouchsafed to bring joy to the whole
world, grant we beseech thee, that aided by the
prayers of his Mother the Virgin Mary, we too may
be brought to the joys of eternal life. Through the
same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday FEAST OF THE VISITATION
OF OUR LADY
Noon (St.F) Int.+Joan Cotton

Saturday ST.JUSTIN
9.0am (St.F) Int. + Michael & Joan Hazell
(FM)
6:00pm (St.F) Int. For the People

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) is said a quarter of an
hour before the first Mass at St.Felix

Sacrament of Reconciliation

THIS WEEK

The Sisters are in Retreat this week. The
Conductor will be offering Mass daily in the

Convent Chapel at 10.0am. Parishioners are welcome to attend, but there will not be coffee.

Monday 9.30am Mass at St.Felix today.

Tuesday 11.30am The Monthly Service at the Mill Lane Home.

Tuesday 12.30pm Funeral Mass for Vernon Watts, RIP, followed by refreshments in the Hall, and Cremation at the Crematorium of the Seven Hills at 3.0pm (No 9.30am Mass today)

Saturday Saturday Club is on half-term holiday, and resumes next week.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Betty Cuthbertson (2017), James Kanna (2003), Maureen Packer (2006), Percy Oliver (2003), Christine Hodgson (2012), Joyce Irvine (2001), Rose Gaffney (2001), and Janet Sims (2009). May they Rest in Peace

Money Matters Last weekend £545.85 was given at the Offertory, and £78.63 for CAFOD. Next Sunday there will be a retiring collection for the Catholic communications Network.

Celebrate East Anglia Austina writes 'This Conference takes place on 1st and 2nd June at St.Benedict's School in Bury St.Edmunds. This is a wonderful event for the whole family to take part in, consisting of inspirational talks, Mass and Reconciliation, live music and special programmes for children and youth. To find out more and book a place please visit www.celebrateconference.org or pick up a flyer at the back of church.'

A PARISH PRAYER GROUP

When the Parish Advisory Council met recently there were calls for a Parish Prayer Group to be established. I'm very enthusiastic about this myself, and suggest that we hold an initial session on Monday, June 3rd - a week on Monday - at 7.30pm. As maybe not many people will want to take part, perhaps we would be best meeting at the Presbytery, rather than rattling around in the Hall.

I think the group should meet for an hour, and that at least for a start we divide that hour into (i) five decades of the Rosary (don't worry if you're not familiar with it - it's very simple).

(ii) reading the following Sunday's Gospel, with a brief comment on it and discussion.

(iii) A quarter hour of corporate Silence.

(iv) Compline said together.

How often should the group meet? Maybe weekly. But we can talk about that on 3rd.

A CHRISTIAN ALPHABET - N is for NOVENA

So what's a Novena? Nine days of sustained prayer for some special grace to be given. Novenas only became popular in the seventeenth-century, but their origin seems to be in the nine days between Our Lord's Ascension into heaven, and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Before withdrawing from his apostles when he ascended into heaven, Jesus had told them to remain in Jerusalem until the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon them. This they did, praying with Our Lady that the gift would indeed be given. Nine days of fervent prayer, prayer so richly answered when, under the outward sign of wind and fire, the Holy Spirit came to them and transformed them, empowering them to go out to boldly proclaim the Gospel of the risen and glorified Christ.

On Thursday this week we will be celebrating the Ascension of the Lord. As a Holyday of obligation, all of us must be at Mass on that day, but where else would we want to be when this joyful Solemnity is being celebrated? And then for us will begin those days when we wait for the Day of Pentecost to come around once more. How good if we keep them as a Novena of Prayer, praying that we may become more responsive to the workings of the Holy Spirit within our lives and within our souls. The Church will help us : the readings and prayers at Mass during these days are all geared to our waiting for the Holy Spirit to be given anew. A time of joyous expectation, and a time of fervent prayer.

*Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God,
and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving,
for the Ascension of Christ your Son
is our exaltation,
and, where the Head has gone before in glory,
the Body is called to follow in hope.*