



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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July 21st, 2019 : 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (St.F) Int. For the People
Sunday 9:30am (St.F) Int. +Carmen Isaac
11:00am (Con) Int. +Kathleen Dunne

Weekday Masses

Monday FEAST OF ST.MARY
MAGDALENE
10:30am (Con) Int.
Tuesday FEAST OF ST.BRIDGET
9:30am (St.F) Int.+Fr.Kieron Connolly (FM)
Wednesday FERIA
10:30am (Con) Int.
Thursday FEAST OF ST.JAMES
No Mass today
Friday ST.JOACHIM & ST.ANNE
Noon (St.F) Int. +Vernon Watts
5:00pm (Con) Int.
Saturday OF OUR LADY
9.00am (St.F) Int. +Bernard Davies (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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday at 10.0am Benediction at 10.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The Rosary Friday at 11.15am

The Mass today The readings can be found on p.112 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.1025 of The Sunday Missal.

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| At the 6.0pm Mass | Eucharistic Prayer 3 |
| <i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i> | Parish Mass Book p.16 |
| (<i>Angelus</i>) Hymn | 908 |
| At the 9.30am Mass | Eucharistic Prayer 2 |
| <i>Gloria</i> | Sacred Heart |
| <i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i> | Parish Mass Book p.16 |
| Hymns : | 830, 803, 662, 846 |
| At the 11.0am Mass | Eucharistic Prayer 1 |
| Hymns | 761, 600, 801 |

THIS WEEK

Monday 7.30pm The Parish Prayer Group meets at the Presbytery. All welcome.
Tuesday 11.30am The monthly Service at the Mill Lane Home.
7.0pm Mass at the Seafarers Centre.
Friday The Cremated remains of Vernon Watts will be buried in the Memorial Garden after the Noon Mass.
Saturday Saturday Club is now on holiday.
6.0pm The Anticipatory Mass will be attended by the 7th Epping Forest Scout Troup, which will be in camp at Nacton.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Arthur Green (2006), Brian Tehan (2009), Maurice Simms (2004), Charles Buckley (2018), and James Shevlin (2011). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last weekend £505.63 was given at the Offertory, and £82.67 for CAFOD.

£265.84 was given in the retiring collection, which was for the Apostleship of the Sea.

Parish Barbeque Phil writes 'Dear Friends, the annual Barbeque will be held in the Presbytery garden on Sunday 11th August at 1.0pm. As in previous years we will have our resident chefs cooking, but would welcome donations of side dishes and desserts to complete the meal. Offers of help before and on the day gratefully received.. If you can add your name to the list let Phil know. Tickets will be on sale after weekend Masses, or by calling Phil. Please come along for a great afternoon. We are holding a pre-BBQ planning session on Monday 5th August at 6.0pm in the Church Hall.'

A PLACEMENT

We have been asked to provide a Pastoral Placement for Michael Smith, one of our Seminarians in the diocese, who is a second year student at The Beda in Rome - a college for older candidates for Ordination. Michael hopes to arrive on Friday this week, and will be with us for a month. Formerly, I think, seminarians were only sent to larger parishes, with schools and hospitals and whatever. But as most parishes in the East Anglia diocese are not like that, it is good for those preparing for pastoral ministry to experience smaller parishes too, like our own.

I'm sure that you will make Michael very welcome. It would be so nice if you could invite him to your home, for coffee or maybe for a meal, so that he can get to know you. I'll try to persuade him to write something about himself for a subsequent Newsheet!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sr. Berchmans from the Convent, who last Thursday went down to Westminster Cathedral to the Graduation Ceremony at St. Mary's University, London, to receive the Benedict Medal, the University's highest award. It was made in recognition of her 70 years of teaching in Pakistan. The citation said 'Your dedication and commitment is an inspiration to anyone committed to the vocation of a teacher. You have inspired thousands of your students to live flourishing lives and to contribute to society in so many fields across the world'.

Sister is the first female recipient of the award, which has only been made to three other people: they are Archbishop Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, the Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, and Sir Michael Clarke, Chief executive of OFSTED. Sister, our warmest congratulations; we are so proud of you!

A CHRISTIAN ALPHABET V is for VICTORY

The seeming-defeat: the dead body of Jesus, taken down from the Cross and laid in the cold stone sepulchre, the entrance of which was then securely blocked with a boulder. The Victory: the sepulchre empty on Easter morning, with the boulder rolled away, and a cohort of angels announcing that the sepulchre was empty because Jesus was risen from the dead, just as years before, in the skies, they had announced that he had been born in Bethlehem.

The Resurrection - this is the greatest, the ultimate Victory. Christ victorious over the death, which had seemed to conquer him when he died on the Cross. At first the disciples were doubtful; it seemed too wonderful to be true & sometimes we are doubtful when we are given afresh the promise that we shall share in that Paschal victory, that our tomb will one day be empty, because we have entered fully into the resurrection life of Jesus. The disciples, it seems, were taken by surprise by Jesus' Victory. And maybe we will be surprised when on the last day we find ourselves sharers in his resurrection.

The most common image of Our Lord is that of him hanging upon the wood of the Cross. And rightly so, because it was in his dying for us that he declared most powerfully his great love for us (the Cross is always a declaration of the love of Jesus). And yet I suppose the Cross does not speak clearly of the Victory of the Lord. Maybe that is a kind of wonderful secret, known only to his disciples. But always, of course, a secret to be shared. Christ the conqueror of death, the Victor in the glorious battle against the powers of darkness. To the world, he appears to be the Victim, but to the eyes of faith he is truly Victor.