



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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November 3rd, 2019 : 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (St.F) Int. For the People
Sunday 9:30am (St.F) Int. +Brian Hamilton
11:00am (Con) Int. +Joe Rozsich

Weekday Masses

Monday ST.CHARLES BORROMEO
10:30am (Con) Int. + Brian Sproson & Heather
Tuesday FERIA Morris
9:30am (St.F) Int. +Frank Stafford
Wednesday FERIA
10:30am (Con) Int.
Thursday ST.WILLIBRORD
No Mass today
Friday FERIA
5:00pm (Con) Int.
Saturday FEAST OF THE DEDICATION
OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
9.0am (St.F) *Childrens' Mass*
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 on Tues.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays at 10.0am Benediction at 10.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45 pm
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.158 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.1084 of The Sunday Missal.

At the 6.0pm Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Parish Mass Book p.16
(<i>Angelus</i>) Hymn	725
At the 9.30am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 3
<i>Gloria</i>	New Celtic
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	New Celtic
Hymns :	969, 769, 629, 938
At the 11.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 1
Hymns	860, 609, 627

THIS WEEK

Today 3.0pm Fr.John presides at the Blessing of the Graves In the Ipswich Cemeteries.
Monday 2.30pm The Prayer Group meets at the Presbytery.
Wednesday 12.30pm The monthly Parish Lunch in the Hall.
Friday No Mid-day Mass at St.Felix today, as Fr.John has to attend a funeral at Walsingham. He will be back in time for the usual 5.0pm Mass at the Convent.
Saturday 9.0am Saturday Club, for young people of Primary School age, St.Felix
Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Terence Butler (2008), Patrick Kelly (2009), and Hilda Murphy (2017). May they Rest in Peace.

MoneyMatters Last weekend £509.76 was given at the Offertory, and £73.27 for CAFOD. Today there is a retiring collection for the St.Edmund's Fund, which helps needy people in the diocese.

Wednesday Lunch Jenny writes 'Just a reminder to those who have booked, our next

lunch is on Wednesday this week, at 12.30pm.

Any queries, please contact Jenny.

Childrens' Choir Austina writes 'To all parents whose children like to sing or play an instrument. We invite you to join *The St.Felix Junior Singers*. We practice every Saturday morning at 10.0am in the church hall for around forty-five minutes, and the children either sing in church at Mass and/or at activities which come up. If your child is interested, kindly contact Austina Meyn.

Something new for Christmas!

For many years we have had a Senior Parishioners Christmas Lunch in December, splendidly organised by Monica Macdonald and a host of helpers. Monica now feels that the time has come for her to retire - fair enough - and it seems that no one else is prepared to take on the very demanding role of organising this event.

However Team Felix has offered to put on a Christmas Afternoon Tea in its place - and we all know what splendid Afternoon Teas Team Felix produces!

It will be an event to look forward to, on Saturday December 14th. Over-seventies will shortly be receiving an invitation.

Meanwhile a big thank-you to Monica and her team for all that they have done in the past, and a big thank-you to Team Felix for being prepared to supply a festive event in its place!

Stella Maris/Apostleship of the Sea Barbara writes 'A date for your diary : On Saturday Dec.7th, 7.0pm-9.0pm, in the Church Hall, there will be a Christmas Entertainment in aid of Stella Maris. There will be carol singing, recitations, a raffle, a Quiz, a 'bring and share' supper, and it will be FUN. Do come in after the 6.0pm Mass. If you can't come, perhaps you can spare £3.0 for a Christmas gift for a seafarer. For information and donations see Barbara Lamberton.

Parish Diary Stephen, Chairman of the PAC, writes 'John O'Mahony, who has kept the Parish Diary since the death of his dear wife Stephanie, has now passed on the 'baton' to myself and Fiona. On behalf of the whole Parish we would like to thank John, and we hope we can keep up his good work!

All bookings for the church hall should, therefore, now be made by contacting Stephen and Fiona.

2020 Diocesan Yearbook

The new Yearbook, full of interesting information, is now available at the Repository in the Porch. In order that as many people as possible may be able to see and use it, the price has been reduced this year to just £2.0. Get your copy today!

THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Once more we find ourselves in November, the month devoted to The Holy Souls. We have just kept the Commemoration of All Souls, popularly known as All Souls Day, that day in the year especially devoted to prayer for the departed, but throughout the whole of this month there is an emphasis on praying for those who have died.

The Church teaches us that at the moment of death the body and soul are separated. The body is buried or cremated, and, reduced to dust and ashes, awaits the glorious day of the General Resurrection, when its elements will be taken by God and transformed into the new resurrection body, to which the soul will be rejoined for all eternity. Meanwhile the soul, which has passed into God's keeping is prepared and purified in that state which we call Purgatory - not, as is sometimes falsely said, a place of pain and punishment - but yes, a place of preparation and purification. For none of us at the time of our death will be ready and worthy to enter straightway into the presence of God. We will need a spiritual rubbing-down and polishing-up.

It is then, when we are undergoing this preparation that our prayers can be of the greatest help to the departed soul. And it is only right that we should give this help, just as it is right that we pray for our friends and relatives who are maybe ill or bereaved. Many like to light a candle for a departed friend or relative. The prayer then continues before God whilst the candle is burning.

Having kept All Souls Day, next weekend we then direct our prayers to all who have died in Battle, as we observe Remembrance Sunday. As usual, the 9.30am Mass at St.Felix will be a Solemn Requiem for all who have Died in Battle. And then later in the month there will be a Requiem for those whose remains rest in our Memorial Garden. This will be at Noon on Friday November 15th, and will be followed by the yearly blessing of the Garden.