



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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November 17th, 2019 : 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (St.F) Int.+ Alex & Margaret
Sunday 9:30am (St.F) Int. Greene
11:00am (Con) Int. For the People

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
10:30am (Con) Int. +Mary Imelda Waldron
Tuesday FERIA
9:30am (St.F) Int.
Wednesday FEAST OF ST.EDMUND
9.0am (Con) Int. For the Diocese
Thursday PRESENTATION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
No Mass today
Friday ST.CECILIA
Noon (St.F) Int. For the Lapsed
5:00pm (Con) Int.
Saturday FERIA
9.0am (St.F) Int.
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, Tuesday and Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 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.164 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.1091 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	607
At the 9.30am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 3
<i>Gloria</i>	Belmont
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Belmont
Hymns :	969, 770, Children's
	Choir, 910
At the 11.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 1
Hymns	851, 770, 663

THIS WEEK

Monday 2.30pm Prayer Group, Presbytery
Tuesday 2.30pm The Liturgy Committee meets at the Presbytery.
Wednesday Fr.John has to visit Our Lady's, March and The Sacred Heart, Peterborough on behalf of the Diocesan Art & Architecture Committee. This means that Mass today will have to be at 9.0am, at the Convent.
Saturday 9.0am Saturday Club, for young people of Primary School age, at St.Felix.
Next Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Barbara Schmitz (2008), Ellen Moran (2000), Bridget Chalcraft (2011), Marguerite Gamble (2013), Marlene Strachan (2016), and St.Marceline (2017). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last weekend, £529.26 was given at the Offertory, and £86.07 to CAFOD.

Next Sunday is Youth Day, and there will be a retiring collection for the Diocesan Youth Service.

Missio - Red Box Appeal Barbara writes 'Many thanks to all who handed in their boxes, and thanks for your generosity. If you have not had a calendar, please help yourself from the table in the porch. If you have a box you would like emptying please contact Barbara Lamberton.

The Advent Celebration Monica writes 'For the Family Advent Celebration on Sunday 15th December, we are hoping that some of the children and young people in the parish will present an Advent play. We need a number of children to take part, dressing up as the characters, narrating the story, singing or just helping. If your child would like to take part, or for more information, please contact Monica Macdonald Austina Meyn.

Penitential Service in Advent This will be held on Monday December 16th at 7.30pm, and Mgr. Rogers of Aldeburgh, Fr. Peter Raj of St. Mary's Ipswich, and Fr. Russell Frost of St. Pancras Ipswich have all kindly agreed to come and assist. Please put this date in your diary. It will be a wonderful opportunity to receive the precious gift of God's forgiveness, and to be free from the encumbrance of unforgiven sin before the joyful Christmas season.

A Special Evening Stephen Badcock writes : Join us on Tuesday 10th December at 7.0pm in the Hall to watch *GLOBAL HEALING - HOW OUR FAITH HELPS US TO CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME* a new film produced by CaFE (Catholic faith exploration film company) sponsored by the Bishops. Join us for a free and inspiring evening of film, food, and friendship, responding together to Pope Francis' call to care for creation and to pass on a healthy planet to our children's children.'

CARITAS EAST ANGLIA

Today, which is being kept as the World Day for the Poor, sees the launching of *Caritas East Anglia*, the local representative of a world-wide Catholic organisation which promotes Catholic social teaching and supports the poor and

marginalised. It will act as an umbrella organisation for all the charitable work that takes place in the diocese. The Bishop has written a Pastoral Letter to mark this development, and as you leave church you will be given a leaflet explaining more about it.

The actual launch is taking place in the Cathedral at the 11.0am Mass today, which will be followed by a lunch in the Narthex to which fifty homeless people in Norwich have been invited. They will be hosted by a representative of each of the parishes in the diocese. Our representative is Stephen Badcock, the Chairman of our Parish Council.

RESTING IN PEACE

On the first Sunday of this month I went with two other priests of the Deanery and a deacon to bless the graves in the Ipswich Cemetery. About thirty people turned up, and together we said Afternoon Prayer from the Office for the Dead, before being led to individual graves to bless them, saying a prayer, and using Holy Water. And then last Friday, after offering the Noon Mass for those whose remains rest in the Memorial Garden at St. Felix, we went out into the Garden itself, to bless the places where cremated remains have been laid to rest.

I think this is a good and devout practice because it testifies to our Christian belief in the Resurrection of the Dead, said to be one of the least understood of the clauses in the Creed. Our distinctive Christian belief is not the Greek idea of the immortality of the soul : we do believe that the soul, created by God at the moment of conception, is immortal, but our belief is fuller and richer than that. We hold as Christians, based on the teaching of Jesus, that the body has a future too, and that on the last day God will take our dust and ashes, and from them forge our new resurrection body, to which our soul will be rejoined. And so since our mortal remains are not 'finished', and fit only for disposal, Christians have always honoured the places where the bodies of the dead rest, as well as the remains themselves. Blessing places of burial reminds us of this - that our mortal remains are resting, not dumped.