



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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October 3rd, 2021 : 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People
Sunday 9:30am Int. +Teresa Sales
11:00am Int. For the Stewardship
Campaign

Weekday Masses

Monday ST.FRANCIS OF ASSISI
9:30am Int.
Tuesday FERIA
(Mass at Clare Priory at Noon)
Wednesday FERIA
9.30am Int. + Doug and Loris Squirrell
Thursday OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
9.30am Int.
Friday FERIA
Noon Int.
Saturday ST.JOHN HENRY NEWMAN
9.30am Int. For the Stewardship Campaign
6:00pm Int. For the People

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) is said a quarter of an hour before Mass on weekdays.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm or by appointment.

The Rosary Friday at 11.15am

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.141 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.928 of The Sunday Missal.

Hymns this Sunday 466, 735, 898

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10.15am Meeting of the Finance

Committee, at the Presbytery.

Friday 2.15am Funeral of Rosemary Banks at the Crematorium of the Seven Hills.

OUTING TO CLARE PRIORY This Tuesday, Oct.5th

Because only thirteen people have signified a wish to come on the Outing, it is not feasible to book a coach - nor, it seems, is one available.

Petrol supplies permitting, we hope to make the journey in motor cars. At present we need a further two cars in order to transport everyone.

Those who put their names down will be contacted in due course to confirm.

All being well, we will still leave St.Felix Church at 10.0am, and be back by 5.30pm

Please bring a packed lunch, hot drinks will be provided at Clare.

The Priory makes a charge of £16 per person.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Ellen Bayley (2000), Jane Reid (2015), Fred Barnett (2006), and Joe Bonner (2006), May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday £379.80 was given in the Offertory, and £20.55 for CAFOD. £100.02 was given in the retiring collection for Home Missions. This Sunday there is a retiring collection for CAFOD.

RIP When I returned from my holiday last

Friday, I was sad to hear that two of the people to whom I've been taking Holy Communion had died whilst I was away.

John O'Mahony was well-known to many of you; husband of the late Stephanie O'Mahony, he was regularly at Mass before being prevented from coming out by ill health. Of a cheerful and sociable disposition, he was greatly liked, and very proud of his former service in the RAF.

Kathleen Healey was probably not be known to you ; she was a resident at The Firs. Irish, with a career in nursing, she was full of faith, and on my visits to her before lockdown we used to sing together, and she would recite poetry by W. B. Yeats! I will miss her.

We send our condolences to the families of John and Kathleen.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

8. *You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour*

This commandment is about the Truth. It is telling us that we should be honest and open, and not let ourselves fall into lies and half-truths.

We probably know how easy it is to depart from the truth, and there are many circumstances in which people do so. Maybe to get out of trouble, or out of an awkward situation ; maybe to look big, and impress other people ; maybe, as the wording of this commandment specifies, to get other people into trouble. To remain faithful to the truth we have to exercise care and vigilance. A certain degree of humility is involved too.

It's good for us to remember that no one likes a person who doesn't tell the truth. We know that we can't trust their word, we can't rely on them. We don't want to have a liar for our friend.

It is good, too, to recall that Jesus called himself 'the Way, the Truth, and the Life'. We can't imagine Our Lord telling a lie, and we who are his disciples are seeking to become like him in every way, including truthfulness..

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The feast of the Holy Rosary occurs on Thursday this week, and the Holy Rosary is the traditional devotion of the month of October. How good it is to keep a Rosary in our pocket. And how

good it is to use it, bringing to mind as it does some of the principal events in the life of Our Lord and of his blessed Mother. Pope St. John Paul II spoke of it as 'looking at Jesus with Mary'. What could be more powerful in focusing us on Our Lord, and helping us to grow in union with Him?

The Rosary is said at St. Felix on Fridays at 11.15am. Last Friday, the first day of the Month of the Holy Rosary, only one person joined Fr. John for it. We need to do something, and someone has suggested that we say the Rosary after, rather than before Mass. I would like to suggest a change in our Friday morning programme : how about

11.15am	Morning Prayer
11.30am	Mass
Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with the saying of the Rosary. It is wonderful to recite the Rosary in front of Jesus Exposed upon the Altar ; the Rosary is principally about Jesus, and there he is, present in the Holy Sacrament. Comments, please. (Why Mass at 11.30am? because Rosary after a Noon Mass would run us into lunch time.)

NEXT SUNDAY Just one Sunday Morning Mass at 10.30am

(6.0pm Saturday Mass as usual)

OUR STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN *FAITHFUL STEWARDS* *OF GOD'S GIFTS* BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, OCT. 10TH

*Every Parish in the Diocese will run the Campaign, at different times.
It is something which we are required to do, but something which we SHOULD do.
It is wholly right that we should consider*

- (A) *God's love and generosity toward us and*
(B) *Our response to Him!*