



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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October 31st, 2021 : SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. A Private Intention (E)
Sunday 9:30am Int. For the People
11:00am Int.

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
9:30am Int. +Julia Mc.Intee (K&KW)
Tuesday COMMEMORATION OF ALL
THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
9:30am Int. For the Pope's Intentions
7.30pm Int. For the Holy Souls
Wednesday ST.WINIFRIDE
9:30am Int. +Winifred Barnes
Thursday ST.CHARLES BORROMEIO
No Mass today
Friday FERIA
11:30am Int. +Ettty Smith
Saturday FERIA
9.30am Int.
6:00pm Int. For the People

The Daily Office

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday at 10.0am, Friday, at Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm, or by appointment.

The Rosary Friday, at Noon

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.186 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.1185 of The Sunday Missal.
Hymns on Sunday morning : 601, 371, 607

THIS WEEK

Monday 7.30pm Fr.John attends a Meeting of Catechists in the Deanery, at St.Mary's, Ipswich. If any of our own catechists would like a lift, please tell him.

TUESDAY
ALL SOULS DAY
Masses at 9.30am & 7.30pm

The usual lists are available in the Porch: please write down the names of those whom you would like to be remembered at the Altar, under the time of the Mass you hope to attend

Thursday 11.0am Fr.John attends a Meeting of the Diocesan Council of Priests, at Poringland.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Angela Waterhouse-Taylor (1999), Walter Shaw (2008), Terence Butler (2008), Patrick Kelly (2009). May they rest in peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday £456.81 was given at the Offertory, £55.05 for CAFOD, and £57.50 in the retiring collection for Foreign Missions.

Congratulations to Carmel & Stephen Barker, who celebrated their Silver Wedding last week. Carmel wasn't too well on the day, and so Mass was celebrated in their home, surrounded by their family. We send them every good wish.

CTF AGM&Forum Anne Poole writes : The CTF (Churches Together in Felixstowe) Forum and AGM will take place on Monday 8th November (7.00pm for 7.30 pm) in St Felix

Church Hall. An opportunity to learn more about the co-operation between our Christian churches in Felixstowe. All our welcome.

Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) Barbara Lamberton writes : Do join us for Afternoon Tea on Saturday 27th November at 3pm in the Church Hall. There will be entertainment by the Ukelele Band of Felixstowe and a raffle. Tickets, which will be limited are £5 and will be on sale after masses from 6th/7th November. Book early to avoid disappointment. (In aid of Stella Maris working with seafarers).

Covid Precautions Update Dr.Stephen Badcock writes : The recent nationwide increase in Covid infections together with the anticipated increase in cases of flu this winter is a concern for us all. In the light of this we need to remain Covid Aware in an effort to reduce the spread of these infections. Please wear a suitable face covering when you come to Mass, unless medically exempt, sanitise your hands and maintain suitable social distancing. These measures are not just for your own protection but more importantly are essential requirements to protect the most vulnerable in our Parish.

From the Diocese - Parenting Course Last minute invitation to all parents, grandparents, and anyone who looks after children. Places available on the 'Parenting for Faith' online course starting Tuesday 2nd November. The course will help you show children the reality of a life with God and to empower them to have their own vibrant two-way relationship with Him. Run by Celebrate with the support of the Diocesan Youth Service. Registration closes **THIS** Sunday 31st October. See www.celebratetrust.org/parentingforfaith for more information.

Stewardship Time, Talents, Treasure - Alan Lamberton writes: During this campaign we provided 120 leaflets requesting volunteers to assist in the operations and maintenance of our Church and its facilities. We also provided 120 leaflets explaining how Gift Aiding your donations could provide increased income for the Church at no cost to the donors and also how to donate via Standing Orders to ease the act of donating. To date we have received back only 15 of each

leaflet. Thank you to those who have responded to date. If you have lost or misplaced your leaflets replacements will be available in the porch and a box will be in place for completed forms. We will make these forms and the collection box available for two more Sundays and will then analyse any completed forms we receive. We will then indicate how successful the campaign has been and will consider holding a general meeting with refreshments to introduce all volunteers together and try to arrange rotas for the various activities. It is important that we create a list of all volunteer because a number of pre-pandemic volunteers have indicated that they wish to retire from their positions and we do need replacements. Thank you for your consideration and assistance

SEEKING A WAY FORWARD II

Last week I wrote about the choice which we have regarding Sunday morning Mass - Option ONE, to have just one Sunday morning Mass, as we did for the three weeks of the Stewardship Campaign, with the advantage of all being together at one time and in one place to offer the Mass. Or OPTION TWO - to continue with a 9.30am and an 11.0am, but each of those having a distinctive character , the 9.30am a short Childrens' Mass, and the 11.0am a more unhurried, dignified, offering of the Holy Sacrifice. In the course of this month of November, I'd like you to express your opinion. Papers will be provided, on which you can state your preference, if possible saying why, which will help me come to a decision.

As regards the Convent, which suspended public Masses during lockdown, the Sisters have decided - all being well - to admit parishioners to their Chapel again on Sundays from Advent Sunday, in four weeks time. The simple 5.0pm Mass on Sundays which I have been saying privately for the Sisters for the past year or so will continue, and parishioners who wish to attend will be welcomed at it. This was agreed after consultation with Sr.Joan (Sister Superior), Sr.Helen Mary (Sister Provincial) and Carol (Administrator) last week. On Sunday mornings, I would like all parishioners to be together in their parish church : I believe that as we try to build up our parish after the ravages of the Pandemic, this will help us to come together as one parish family.