



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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March 6th, 2022 : FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. +Karen Thomson
Sunday 10.00am Int. For the People

Weekday Masses

Monday LENT FERIA
9:30am Int. +Edith Coppin (FM)
Tuesday FEAST OF ST.FELIX
9:30am Int. For the Parish
Wednesday LENT FERIA
9:30am Int. +Alan Deveney
Thursday LENT FERIA
No Mass today
Friday LENT FERIA
11:30am Int. The People of Ukraine
Saturday LENT FERIA
9.30am Int. Kathleen Major
6:00pm Int. For the Perehinyak and
Wasylyk Families, in Ukraine

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 Benediction at 10.30am
Friday at Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm, or by appointment.

The Rosary Friday at Noon (during Exposition)

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.153 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p. of The Sunday Missal.
Hymns at 10.0am : 934, 206, 820

THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Today 4.30pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*Friday 12.30pm LENT LUNCH FOR
CAFOD, in the Hall*

ALSO THIS WEEK

Today 11.0am The First Holy Communion Group meets in the Cooper Room
3.30pm - 4.30pm The Confirmation Group meets at the Presbytery.
Tuesday 10.45am - 11.45am The Group looking at the Catechism of the Catholic Church meets in the Cooper Room.
11.0am Fr.John attends a Meeting of the Deanery Clergy at St.Mary Magdalen, Ipswich.
7.30pm Fr.John attends a meeting of the Deanery Catechists Group at St.Mary's, Ipswich.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Dennis Haylock (2003), Leslie Hart (2006), Elizabeth Baston (2011), Anne-Marie Bayles (2014), Helen Weal (2001), Janina Drouet (2004), Mary Read (2008), Helen Lawrence (2015), Sr. Sebastian RMJ (2016), Fr. David Hennessy (2019), and Bridget Kaziow (2021). May they rest in peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday £352.87 was given at the offertory and £69.90 for CAFOD. During February, £2,142.00 was donated by way of direct debit.

Benjamin Smalley is our Catechumen - a young man preparing for Baptism. He attends St.Alban's School in Ipswich, and hopes to be baptized here on Holy Saturday evening at the Easter Vigil. This afternoon Fr.John takes him to the Rite of Election at the Cathedral, where, with Catechumens and Candidates (candidates are those who have been baptized in other denominations, but are now seeking admittance to the Catholic Church at Easter) with Catechumens and Candidates from all over the diocese he will be formally 'chosen' (elected) for entrance into the Church, and welcomed by the Bishop. It is a few years since we had a Catechumen in the parish : do please pray for Benjamin, and come to support him on Easter Eve!

And Benjamin Barnett - our Seminarian, preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood at Oscott College. Benjamin is going to be ordained to the Minor Order of Lector (a step in the pathway to the priesthood) on March 17th, along with Anthony and Peter, two other seminarians from our diocese. Bishop Alan will be present at Oscott - just outside Birmingham - for the ordination..Benjamin has very kindly invited me to go over, and much as I would like to do so, I really feel that I should be here to say Mass on St.Patrick's Day. Please continue to remember Benjamin in your prayers. He ask me to give you his greetings, and the assurance of his prayers. I think he is planning to be back with us after Easter.

Christians Against Poverty Barbara writes The Community Light Orchestra presents a Concert of light classics & Music from the Shows on Friday 18th March, 7.30pm at the River of Light Church in Felixstowe. Admission free. There will be a retiring collection in aid of Felixstowe (CAP) Debt Counselling Centre. Please see poster & leaflets in the Porch.'

Childrens' Lent puzzle books Monica writes 'The childrens' Day by Day puzzle books for Lent is now available in the church Porch. Please encourage your child to take one ; grandparents, why not take one for your grandchild?'

The Feast of St.Felix falls on Tuesday this week. We always regret that it falls in Lent, which

is not really a time for celebrations. But do try to be at the 9.30am Mass on Tuesday, to pray for our parish, and to give thanks for our Patron Saint, the first Bishop of East Anglia - who may well have lived in Felixstowe.

Help needed! Stephen Badcock writes 'The fence behind the church - bordering the back of the Memorial Garden and the Presbytery garden - is very old and decayed, and was damaged beyond repair in the recent gales. It will have to be replaced. However before a new fence can be erected there is a lot of ground work and clearing that needs to be done.

We require a team of strong fit volunteers to help with this. Please let me or Fr.John know if you can help with this. We would be most grateful for your help.

Aid to Ukraine The Bishop is keen that we should channel our financial aid to Ukraine through Aid to the Church in Need, which is appealing for funds to assist the refugees. By doing this the funds will go directly to Ukraine rather than going into a general fund. Money can be given by using the following link : <https://acnuk.org/our-campaign/emergency-appeal-for-ukraine/>

The Bishop also asks us to have a retiring collection for this cause : next Sunday has already been booked by CAFOD, and so our collection for Ukraine via Aid to the Church in Need will be on the Mothering Sunday weekend, March 26th/27. The Bishop further asks us to lookout for and support the centres across the Diocese where collections are being made of clothing and food for Ukraine and the refugees that are flooding into Easter Europe.

Fr.John's Day Off Last. and very much least : diocesan meetings etc. seem increasingly to take place on Thursdays, which is Fr.John's Day Off. In recent months he seems only to have got a proper day off about every other week, which is not really good for his well-being. So he plans to swop to Wednesdays, beginning not this week, but the week after - Wednesday 16th. That means that there will not be a Mass on Wednesday in future. After discussion with the Parish Liturgy Committee, the new Mass on Thursdays will be an evening Mass, probably at 7.0pm