



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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April 10th, 2022 : PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People
Sunday 10.0am Int. +Christopher List

Weekday Masses

Monday MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK
9:30am Int. +Jim Berry (P&CR)
Tuesday TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
8.30am Int. +Rosemary Bantick (FM)
Wednesday WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
9:30am Int.

Thursday Noon and 3.0pm
Good Friday 4.30pm (approx. Following Liturgy)
Holy Saturday Noon and 5.0pm
Or by appointment 01394 282561

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.190 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.244 of The Sunday Missal. Hymns at 10.0am Procession 229, then 237, 756, & 809.

ALSO THIS WEEK

Tuesday The Mass of the Chrism takes place at the Cathedral at Noon
The Catechism Group is on holiday for two weeks.

Thursday The Ceremony of the Footwashing at the Mass of the Lord's Supper is permitted this year : please sign the list on the noticeboard to take part.
The Maundy Watch will be kept until midnight, ending with Compline.

Friday This year we are again able to have the usual Service for Children and Young Families, based on the Stations of the Cross. This will take place at 10.0am.
Mater Desolata a short Service for Good Friday evening will take be at 7.0pm.

Saturday The Blessing of Polish Easter Baskets will take place at 11.0am.
3.0pm The cremated remains of Bridie Kaziou will be laid to rest in the Memorial Garden.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

8.0pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY

3.0pm THE LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

HOLY SATURDAY

8.30pm THE EASTER VIGIL
AND FIRST MASS OF EASTER

EASTER DAY

10.0am THE MASS OF EASTER DAY

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) is said a quarter of an hour before the first Mass on Mon, Tues. and Wed. of Holy Week, and at 9.0am on Thurs., Fri. and Sat.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday 10.0am and 7.0pm
Wednesday 10.0am and 7.0pm

Sunday Easter eggs will be blessed and distributed to the children at the end of the 10.0am Mass.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Miriam Harcourt (2004), Kathleen Newman (2008), Brian Hughes (2006), Edith Martin (2008), David Holding (2009), Margaret Smyth (2010), Ida Shaw (2012), and Gwendoline Jones (2018). R.I.P.

Money Matters Last Sunday £464.05 was given at the Offertory, and £26.00 for CAFOD. Next Sunday the Offertory is given to the Parish Priest, as a basic constituent of his annual income.

From the Director of Diocesan Youth Service Hamish writes 'Inviting all young people in Year 8 upwards to the Ignite Festival April 30th-May 1st 2022, and Pilgrimage Walk to Walsingham May 2nd. Come and experience your faith in a new and dynamic way. Help at Swaffham, the Ignite Festival will include live music, powerful talks, passionate prayer and interactive workshops, as well as good food and free time! Followed by a pilgrimage walk to Walsingham. Organised by the Diocesan Youth Service. See, for more information, www.ignitefestival.co.uk

Childrens' Easter puzzle books Monica writes 'These are now available in the Porch. Children, Parents, and grandparents, please collect them.'

Childrens' Liturgy Monica also writes 'More volunteers are needed to help with Childrens' Liturgy on a Sunday morning. If anyone is interested or would like to know more about what it involves, please speak to Monica Macdonald or contact her, Please don't let this important work falter because of lack of volunteers!'

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

We are fast approaching the Sacred Triduum, that holy time which stretches from the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday to the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday : those three momentous days in which we remember - and more than remember, enter into - the events by which our reconciliation with God the Father, and our freedom to enter into eternal life, has been

accomplished. It is a time unique in the Churches Year, a time when we should lay aside our normal concerns and occupations, and give ourselves as fully as we can to being with Our Lord, and contemplating what it is that He has done for us. We do this through the solemn Liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday - supported by various optional services and devotions.

The first of these solemn liturgies is the **Mass of the Lord's Supper** (8.0pm, Thursday) What a privilege it is to recall together, and indeed more than merely recall - to be present, as Jesus washes his disciples feet, gives his New Commandment, and gives to his Church the Mass and the Holy Sacrament by which he will be close to us always! And then to watch with him in Gethsemane, made real for us by the Altar of Repose on which He is present in the Holy Sacrament.

On Good Friday, as the **Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday** (3.0pm, Friday) is celebrated, the Passion of the Lord, his sufferings and death on the Cross, are vividly brought before us as we listen to St. John's account of the Passion, see the Cross unveiled, and come to offer our adoration. It is a deeply moving act of worship, and brings home to us both the horrors which Jesus endured, and the wondrous depths of his love for us.

The trilogy is completed by the joyful **Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter** on Holy Saturday (8.30pm, Saturday), when, as darkness falls, we begin to celebrate the Resurrection. We see the new fire from which the big Easter candle is lit - that moment as the lifeless wick of the candle jumps into life symbolizing the rising of the Lord. We hear the praises of the Candle - which represents Our Lord himself - sung, and we witness the waters of the Font being blessed - the waters by which we were re-born in Baptism. And we receive in Holy Communion the risen Christ himself, giving Himself to us anew.

Once more I urge you to enter fully into this drama which is played out year by year in churches throughout Christendom. How can we sit at home when these great Services, Liturgies, are being enacted? Do be present - not just try to be present - on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, and encounter afresh the Christ who died and rose for you.