



# PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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## May 22nd, 2022 : SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People  
Sunday 10.0am Int. The Confirmation  
Candidates

### Weekday Masses

Friday FEAST OF ST.AUGUSTINE OF  
CANTERBURY

11:30am Int. +Leelamma Jacob  
Saturday EASTER FERIA  
9.30am Int. +Alan Deveney  
6:00pm Int. For the People

### Monday 23rd THE CONFIRMATION MASS at 6.0pm

THE BISHOP WILL CONFIRM

*NIKOLA CERANOWSKA  
JENY JAGEESH  
MANTE LINKUTE  
EMILY McMORROW  
ANTEK MATUSZEK  
ZUZANNA MATUSZEK  
MICHALINA SABELA  
FLORENCE WHITLEY*

**Please will all Parishioners come to support the  
Candidates, and to welcome the Bishop**

Tuesday EASTER FERIA  
9:30am Int. Alex Allen  
Wednesday ST.BEDE THE VENERABLE  
No Mass today

### Thursday 26th ASCENSION DAY ( A Holyday of Obligation, when we must all be at Mass)

**Masses at 9.30am** Int. For the People  
**7.0pm** Int. +Clare Veitch

### The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said a quarter of  
an hour before Mass on Tues, Thurs, Fri. & Sat.  
Vespers at 6.45pm on Thursday.

### 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.274 of the Parish  
Mass Book, and on p.484 of The Sunday Missal.  
Hymns at 10.0am : 287, 770, 268

### THIS WEEK

**Today** 3.30pm The Confirmation Group  
meets IN CHURCH for a Penitential Service and  
Rehearsal.

**Monday** 9.30am-11.30am The St.Felix  
Toddlers meet in the Hall  
No 9.30am Mass today.

**Tuesday** 10.45am- 11.45am The Catechism  
Group meets in the Cooper Room. This week we  
will be looking at paragraphs 430 to 451.

## PARISH NOTICEBOARD

**Anniversaries this week** Elizabeth Negus (1998), William Strachan (2016), Elizabeth Briton (1999), Loris Squirrell (2017), Robert Fisher (2018), Betty Cuthbertson (2017), James Kanna (2003), Maureen Packer (2006). **May they rest in peace.**

**Money Matters** last Sunday 3382.28 was given in the Offertory and £59.79 for CAFOD.

### FROM THE BISHOP

'Reports on the celebration of Holy Week and Easter across the Diocese have been very positive with great number of people attending the Liturgies and especially for those of Easter Day, we thank God for this grace!

We must build on it to encourage those who have not returned to Mass yet. For as Christians, we have an obligation to gather as the Church on Sunday, the Day of the Lord's Resurrection, to celebrate what the Lord commanded us to do the night before he died.

In the celebration of the Mass he is truly present in Word and Sacrament, ready to fill our lives with his Risen Life. Live-streaming of the Mass has brought great comfort and joy to many over the past two years, and especially the elderly and the infirm. However, for those who are able to come to Mass, the barriers of the last two years which prevented us from doing so in great numbers have now disappeared. Nothing can replace our coming together as the Church, week-by-week, to meet the Lord in reality.

I ask all parishes to use these weeks leading up to Pentecost and beyond to encourage all who have not fully returned to Mass to think about this, and not to be afraid of doing so!

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration after Mass on Sunday, 5th June** Stephen Badcock writes 'Instead of Tea and Coffee after Mass on Sunday 5th June we are having a 'Royal Jubilee Celebration'. Come and join us for a glass of Prosecco or some sparkling non-alcoholic drinks, as well as the usual tea and coffee if people prefer. There will be music and cake to enjoy as we raise a toast to the Queen. We hope as many

parishioners as possible will join in on this special occasion.'

### Repairs to the fence in the Memorial Garden

Stephen also writes 'Now that the old fencing and vegetation has been cleared away, we are looking for some fit, young volunteers to help in erecting the new fence. This is an ideal opportunity to gain practical DIY skills from old hands that will be essential for your 'toolbox of experience' in the future. All we need is just a little of your time. It would help your Church, your fellow parishioners and look good on your CV! If you are able to help then please give your name and contact details to either Fr. John, Wilf Ablard or Stephen Badcock.'

### CONFIRMATION

A Confirmation is always a special day in the life of a Parish, and in the case of the Confirmation tomorrow it will be the first time that a Confirmation has been held in this parish for three years.

It is special of course for the Candidates : it marks their becoming fully initiated into the Catholic Church, and setting out upon their journey as grown-up Catholics. By the Bishop's laying on of hands with prayer, and the Anointing with Chrism, they receive the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit - the gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Reverence. Precious gifts, which, if their hearts are open to receive them, will make them strong in their Christian Faith and witness.

It is also an important day, you'll say, for their families, who will want to be with them at the Confirmation Mass. Ah but you are part of their family, and so their Confirmation is important to you as well. It is within the context of the family of the Church, of which you are part, that these Gifts of the Holy Spirit are being given, and that the Candidates are setting out on their pilgrimage. You are their brothers and sisters in Christ, and you should be assuring them of your support in the step which they are taking. The obvious way to do that is by being at the Mass tomorrow. And if the Candidates are your brothers and sisters, then the Bishop is your spiritual father. And so also be there to welcome him to your parish!