

# PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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## August 28th, 2022: 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday Masses** 

Saturday 6:00pm (St.F) Int. +James Boyle Sunday 10:00am (St.F) Int. +Albert Jaimon

6:00pm (Con) Int. For the People

Weekday Masses

Monday THE PASSION OF ST.JOHN

THE BAPTIST

9:30am Int. Jonathan Parkes

Tuesday ST.MARGARET CLITHEROW

AND HER COMPANIONS

9:30am Int. +Rudolph Belsac

Wednesday ST.AIDAN AND THE SAINTS

**OF LINDISFARNE** 

No Mass today

Thursday FERIA

4:30pm Int. +Elsie Burne

Friday FERIA

11:30am Int. +Rosamund Harnett

Saturday FEAST OF ST.GREGORY

9:30am Int. + Souls in Purgatory

6:00pm Int. + Barbara King (P&CR)

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said a quarter of an hour before Mass Mon, Tues, Fri. & Sat.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 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 Rosary).

The Mass today The readings can be found on p.130 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.1049 of The Sunday Missal.

Hymns at 10.0am : 877, 959, 898

**TODAY** 

## **TEDDY BEARS PICNIC**

### IN THE PRESBYTERY GARDEN

3.0pm - 5.0pm
For children and Young Families
Teddy Bear Games, Activities, Tea, & Story
Do come along!

**NEXT SUNDAY** 

THE PARISH BARBEQUE

IN THE PRESBYERTY GARDEN

from 12.30pm

Our big annual social event! See note below for details

## PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Gerard Stattery (2001), Sr.Margaret Mary Flynn (2000), and Annie Logan-Mann (2010) May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters £395.95 was given at the Offertory, and £23.40 for CAFOD.

Parish BBQ Fiona writes: 'If you would like to come, please sign the list on the noticeboard in the Porch- this will help with the catering. There will also be a Raffle - if you can donate a prize for this, please sign the second list on the Porch noticeboard. Raffle prizes can be left in the marked box on the table in the Sacristy. As in previous years, it would be good if people attending the BBQ could bring either a salad side dish or dessert to share. Fiona & Stephen Badcock will be outside church after Mass this weekend to note down these contributions.'

## The St. Felix Toddler Group

Krisztina writes: 'The St Felix Toddler Group is restarting on Monday 5th September 9.30 - 11.30am and all children and their carers are very welcome. Additionally we would be very grateful for some more help, either for the full session or to help with setting up (between 9 -9.30). Any help would be greatly appreciated.'

The Walking Group Our first walk is next Saturday - a lovely walk partly along the Deben at Hemley. It will be a short walk to get us going just under one hour and taken at an easy pace, suited to older people, and children. We will begin from Hemley Church - where there is parking - at 2.30pm. Drive to Kirton, and carry straight on to Newbourne, pass the church and then The Fox Inn on your left; just after that, don't take the left turn to Waldringfield, but carry on till you reach a T junction, where you turn right, down to Hemley Church. It's about 5-7 miles away in all. If you need or can give a lift, please tell Fr.John. Why not bring a flask, and we can have a cup of tea afterwards, and discuss future plans? Do try to come: there is no better way of getting to know people than by walking with them.

#### The Annual Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride

It's only a fortnight away, on Saturday September 10th. It is a wonderful way of raising money for both our own church and for the churches throughout Suffolk. If you can take part, please collect a Sponsor Form from the back of church TODAY, and start collecting your sponsorship! Once again Fr.John will be leading a group of any St.Felix participants who care to join him, walking to the local churches that can easily be reached on

foot. Leaving St.Felix at 10.0am, after the 9.30am Mass, we will be back by 11.30am. Do come - it's always rather fun, and has a definite ecumenical dimension. Again, we will need people to 'man' our own Church to sign people in , and generally welcome them. Might you be able to help?

#### IN OUR CHURCH

**2. The Tabernacle** If the Altar is always the focus of a Catholic church, the Tabernacle is the most holy place - the place where, inside a free-standing metal safe, often circular (as in our own church), the Blessed Sacrament is reserved. The consecrated Hosts, which have become the Body of Christ, are contained within a Ciborium - a silver vessel like a chalice with a lid - and the tabernacle is draped with a veil as a mark of reverence.

The word tabernacle means 'tent'. Which reminds us that just as God the Father made himself present in the tent-temple which the people of Israel took with them on their forty-year journey to the promised land, so God the Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, is present in the tabernacle in a Catholic church. God amongst his people, present with them in a special way, in mercy and in love.

We should always show great reverence to Jesus, present there amongst us. You will have seen how during the Liturgy the priest genuflects when he opens the Tabernacle. But all of us, when we enter church, should genuflect towards the tabernacle, the place where Jesus IS. Our reverence is a sign of our love for him.

When I came here, the Bishop directed me, you remember, to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the centre of the east wall; to have a pedestal made, and place a tabernacle upon it. It is right that Jesus should be at the Centre - at the centre of our lives, and there in the tabernacle, in the centre of our church.

#### CONVALIDATION

That word occurred in last week's Newsheet, and one or two people have asked me what a Convalidation is. It is when two people have, for one reason or another, got married in a register office and then - maybe some years later - want to complete their marriage by renewing their vows in church, and receiving God's blessing on it. It is essentially about Completion, and is a good thing.