



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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November 12th, 2023 : 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME *Remembrance Day*

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People
Sunday 10:00am Int. For all who have died in
Battle
4:00pm (Convent) Int.

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
9:30am Int. Philip & Jade
Tuesday FERIA
No Mass today
Wednesday FERIA
9.30am Int. +Alan Deveney
Thursday FERIA
4:30pm (Convent) Int.
Friday ST.HUGH OF LINCOLN
11:30am Int. +Agnes Curley
Saturday FERIA
6:00pm Int. For he People

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said a quarter of
an hour before Mass on Mon, Wed, and Fri.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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 10.0am Mass will be offered as a Requiem
for all who have died in Battle. It will be
preceded by the traditional Act of Remembrance.*

The readings will be those of the 32nd Sunday,
and can be found on p.152 of the Parish Mass
Book, and on p.803 of The Sunday Missal.
Hymns at 10.0am : Nat.Anthem, 959, 910, 955.

THIS WEEK

Today 11.0am-11.30am The First Holy
Communion Group meets in the Cooper Room.

Monday 9.30am The Parents and Toddlers
Group meets in the Hall

Tuesday Fr.John is Canon on duty at the
Cathedral today ; he will be saying the Cathedral
Mass at 10.0am, and so there will not be a Mass
here today.
10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the
Cooper Room. This week we will look at
paragraphs 1257-1275.

Thursday 10.30am Fr.John attends the Deanery
Chapter Meeting at St.Pancras', Ipswich. The
annual Requiem for the departed clergy of the
Deanery will be held at 12.15pm in St.Pancras,
and you are most welcome to attend.

Saturday 9.0am and 10.30am Fr.John says the
Masses at Warren Hill and Hollesley Bay Prisons,
and so no 9.30am at St.Felix today.

Next Sunday Preparation for Confirmation
begins. It will take place every other Sunday after
Mass, 11.15am-12.15pm, in the Presbytery.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Mary Holding (2011),
Kenneth Pooley (2000), James Reiley (2004),

Susan Duff (2022), Sr. Pauline Callan (2011), Barbara Schmitz (2008),

Money Matters Last Sunday £536.54 was given at the Offertory and £40.40 for CAFOD. For October the following amounts were given: direct debits: £2060, Dona : £61.29, offertory plate: £2044.98. Total amount £4156.27

Stella Maris Supporting Seafarers

Barbara writes 'Sadly Sylvia and I are unable to arrange a fund raiser for Stella Maris this Christmas. We have asked our Port Chaplain, Julian Wong, what gifts we could donate for seafarers away from home at this time. He suggested toiletries, chocolates and warm clothing for men and women. There is a box next to the Basic Food Bank box in the porch for any donations. Julian also reminded us that prayers for the seafarers, their families and Julian and his work are always most welcome. '

Homes for Ukraine Matching Service

'Caritas Social Action Network, in partnership with St John of God Hospitaller Services, an international Catholic charity with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland, are matching Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war with people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. If you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then we would love to hear from you. Please visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/> for more information.'

Prayer for Ukraine We've been sent some attractive prayer cards for Ukraine, featuring a picture of the miraculous icon of the Mother of God of Sambir, venerated by Ukrainian Greek Catholics, on one side, and a prayer for Ukraine on the other. They are on the table in the porch -do take one if you would like to do so.

REMEMBRANCE

As the year unfolds, we've once more reached Remembrance Sunday, when we remember primarily those who died in the two great conflicts of the twentieth century, but also all other men and women who have fallen in warfare. And what a terrible total that is, because every

century, every age, has been marked by aggression and the taking of life. We are appalled, not just by the taking of precious human life, but by the unthinkable amount of sorrow and suffering which that has occasioned. Perhaps the terrible nature of war is especially real to us this year because we continue to watch with horror the senseless killing and devastation taking place both in the Holy Land and in Ukraine. And if all this seems utterly dreadful to us, we can only try to imagine how terrible it is in the eyes of God, who brought humanity into being to live peaceably in his good world, and who loves every person tenderly.

The cruelty, greed, hatred, insensitivity, ambition and indifference to the sacredness of human life which occasions warfare leads us to consider the fallenness of our human nature. It makes us see the reality of Original Sin, not as some theological concept, but as a simple fact. Something is profoundly wrong with our common humanity, it is flawed, and not as God created it to be. We need a Saviour, we need someone to make cleansing and renewal possible, and essentially to restore our humanity and make it acceptable in God's sight. And of course that Saviour is Our Lord Jesus Christ, who came into our world to mend what is broken, and restore our innocence.

Remembrance - it is a vital part of the Eucharistic action, of what happens in the Mass. There is a section in the Great Prayer which lies at the heart of the Mass when we 'remember' before God the saving work of Jesus. It's not just an ordinary act of remembrance, like when we remember - say- the heat last summer. It is a 'calling to mind' in the sight of God the vital acts by which Jesus made reconciliation between us and the Father - his Incarnation, suffering, death, and resurrection. A 'bringing before God' the saving work in which we put our hope. We say in the words of a hymn 'Look, Father, look on his anointed face, and only look on us as found in him'. This is a very special kind of Remembrance. When we remember those who fell in the cause of justice, freedom, and truth, we are thankful and grateful. When we remember the saving death of Jesus, our gratitude and thanksgiving can know no bounds.