

PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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June 2nd, 2024: SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People

Sunday 10:00am Int. For All Communicants

4:00pm (Convent) Int.

(From next week the Convent Sunday

Mass will be at Noon)

THE CORPUS CHRISTI NINE HOUR EXPOSITION & WATCH

Our great thanksgiving for the wonderful gift of Holy Communion

6.0pm The Mass of Exposition at St.Felix followed by the Watch until 10.0pm Compline & Benediction at 9.45pm

6.0am The Watch before the Blessed Sacrament until the 10.0am Parish Mass.

Lauds will be said at 8.0am

2.0pm The Watch before the Blessed Sacrament continues in the Convent Chapel until the 4.0pm Mass there.

> O Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

Weekday Masses

Monday ST.CHARLES LWANGA

9:30am Int. +Nigel Oakes

Tuesday FERIA 9:30am Int.

Wednesday ST.BONIFACE

No Mass today Thursday FERIA 4:30pm (Convent) Int.

Friday SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

10.0am (Convent) Int. 11:30am Int. Joan Wells

Saturday THE IMMACULATE HEART

OF MARY

9:30am Int.

6:00pm Int. For the People

The Daily Office

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

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 readings can be found on p.85 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.960 of The Sunday Missal.

Hymns at 10.0am : 769, 318, 660, 652

THIS WEEK

Monday 9.30am The Parents & Toddlers Group meets in the Hall.

Tuesday 10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room. This week we look at

paragraphs 1554 to 1571

10.30am Fr.John attends a meeting of the Deanery Clergy at St.Mary's, Ipswich, so no Exposition & Benediction after Mass today.

Thursday 10.30am Fr.John attends a Meeting of the Cathedral Trustees, at St.John's Cathedral.

Friday As today is a Solemnity, the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Friday rule of abstinence from meat is dispensed.

Saturday 11.30am The Marriage of Jeduthun Walkinshaw and Leanne Lockwood.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Peter Love (2009), Sr.Bridget Carberry RJM (2017), Joan Hazell (2004), and Sr.Clare Cook RJM (2005). R.I.P.

Money Matters Last Sunday £407.27 was given in cash at the Offertory, and £7.0 for CAFOD.

Sales Table I'm starting the unwelcome task of sorting out my things in preparation for retirement, and I'm finding various things that I won't have room for in my small retirement home. So next Sunday – and on some subsequent Sundays – there will be a Sales Table in the Hall at coffee time. You will be welcome to take anything you want, and if you wish, put something in a bowl for Aid to the Church in Need.

THE CHARITY AUCTION Friday, June 28th

Now, later this month! It is, you remember, being held as a thanksgiving for the new Nave windows. A Charity Auction, and the two charities which will benefit are two charities which benefit children in poor countries: Let the Children Live!, which feeds and educates poor children in Colombia, and Mary's Meals which does much the same kind of work in a number of countries throughout the world.

The context in which the Auction will be held is that of a Wine and Cheese Party (soft drinks will, of course, be available). Items and promises continue to come in, including the weekend use of a second up-market beach hut, and an Afternoon Tea for Four on a garden terrace

overlooking the sea. Although the list of items and promises is growing, we really need to have rather more to make it a really bumper Auction. Is there anything that you can donate? – a Promise or an Item? I do hope that you have reserved the date. Amazing bargains can be obtained at these charity auctions.

O BREAD OF HEAVEN

On Remembrance Day each year we are moved by the generosity of those who, in warfare, gave their lives for others. And on Good Friday, we are profoundly moved when we contemplate how Our Lord Jesus Christ gave his life for us on the Cross, offering himself to the Father on the Altar of the Cross as the one acceptable Sacrifice which could reconcile us with the Father.

But the Solemnity of Corpus Christi each year brings before us the fact that Jesus not only offered himself for us, but that, with the same generosity, he also offers himself to us in the Holy Sacrament. Day by day, on Altars throughout the world, Jesus becomes truly present, hidden under the outward appearance of bread and wine. A wonderful gift, the gift of his very self, there to enable us to grow into his likeness. A precious gift so readily available, and yet so frequently ignored. Sometimes received in a casual, unthinking, way – sometimes treated with scorn or contempt. And yet never withheld, never refused. There for us to receive so easily, so frequently, almost without effort. I think the very fact that we can - without intending to do so - receive Holy Communion with little sense of awe, wonder, and delight, makes this Solemnity of Corpus Christi so necessary. These hours of Adoration which we plan to keep together as a Parish this weekend will help us to grow in that sense of awe, wonder, and delight. It will help us to grasp the wonderful fact that at the Altar we are indeed fed with that 'Bread of Heaven' which is nothing less than Our Lord Jesus Christ himself.