

PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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July 28th, 2024 : 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Int. For the People Sunday 10:00am Int. Noon (Convent) Int.

Weekday Masses

Monday SS. MARY, MARTHA, & LAZARUS 9:30am Int. Tuesday FERIA 9:30am Int. Wednesday ST.IGNATIUS LOYOLA No Mass today Thursday ST.ALPHONSUS LIGUORI 4:30pm (Convent) Int. Friday FERIA 11:30am Int. Saturday FERIA 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 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 Exposition)

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.112 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.889 of The Sunday Missal. Hymns at 10.0am : 960, 876, 659, 898

THIS WEEK

Monday 9.30am The Parents & Toddlers
Group meets in the Hall.
11.0am We provide the monthly Service at the White Gables Care Home.
3.30pm Afternoon Tea for the Deanery
Clergy, at the Presbytery.

Tuesday 10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room. This week we look at paragraphs 1667 to 1690.

Thursday 2.15pm Funeral Service for Brian Vickers, at the Crematorium of the Seven Hills.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries this week Roy Fenton (2001), Ronald Hockery (2002), Christiane Taylor (2004), Maria Maher (2007), Rose Mulholland (2014), Sr.George Deane RJM (2008), Joan Jacobi (2012), and Kathleen Dunne (2018). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday $\pounds 454.00$ was given in cash at the Offertory, and $\pounds 14.18$ for CAFOD.

Fire Safety Awareness Course A reminder for those who have signed up for the Course , that it takes place on Thursday this week, 10.0am - 12.30pm, in the Hall. There is one spare place available – see the paper on the Noticeboard in the Porch.

2024 Mission Appeal Each year a parish is meant to have a foreign Missions appeal. I confess that I've been rather slack about arranging one in

recent years, but this year I thought we'd better do so. The diocese has given the appeal in 2024 to the Missionary Society of St.Paul, and the appeal will be made in a fortnight's time – over the weekend August 10th-11th. At least you will have someone else delivering the Homily! The Society has sent this notice for the Newsletter :

Fr.Fidelis Datau MSP of the Missionary Society of St.Peter (MSP) will make a Mission Appeal at all the Masses on the weekend of the 10^{th} and 11^{th} of August. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP warmly invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a retiring collection at all of the Masses. Additionally, you can donate by setting up a direct debit or by cheque using the provided account details : Account Name : The missionary Society of St.Paul Sort Code : 202963 Account No.: 73306224 Bank Name : Barclays Bank. Alternatively, you can use the Dona machine.

OUR NEW PARISH PRIEST!

Some of you have already heard that our new Parish Priest is going to be Fr.Michael Smith,

currently working as Assistant Priest at St.John's Cathedral. You may well remember Fr.Michael coming here to do a placement when he was training for the Priesthood – about four years ago. He enjoyed being here, and we very much enjoyed having him with us. (I especially enjoyed the fact that he is an artist – far more talented than me – and that we had one or two painting expeditions whilst he was here!)

Personally, I'm absolutely delighted by the appointment, and indeed had prayed that my successor might be Fr.Michael! Why? Because he is a wonderful pastor : he will really care for you he will love you, and I think that you will love him. In view of my link with the Cathedral, I've been aware of the sustained and selfless work which he has done there, especially perhaps in his role as Catholic Chaplain to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. He has worked tirelessly, totally committed to his priestly work. Beside his devotion to duty, I think that his wonderful cheerfulness will be appreciated, too. Whenever I've seen him he has always been smiling – full of good humour. I think Fr.Michael is about twenty vears younger than I am – and so will be full of energy, too! The fact that you are going to have such an excellent priest makes it much easier for me to retire!