



# PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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## **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ – King of the Universe**

### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday 6.00pm Int. Holy Souls  
Sunday 10.00am Int. *Pro Populo*  
12noon (Conv) Int.

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday St Catherine of Alexandria  
– Virgin & Martyr  
9.30am Int. +Eugene Rickatson  
Tuesday FERIA  
9.30am Int.  
Wednesday FERIA  
**No Mass today**  
Thursday FERIA  
4.30pm (Convent) Int.  
Friday FERIA  
11.30am Int. Catriona Bolland intention  
Saturday St Andrew – Apostle (FEAST)  
9.30am Int.  
6pm Int. +Gordon Hartley

### **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**

Tuesday at 10am with 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**

Readings on page 160 of the Parish Mass Book.

### **TODAY'S FEAST**

We celebrate today the Solemnity of Jesus Christ our Universal King – the Last Sunday of the Church's Year. Our celebration causes us to reflect that Christ's Kingdom is radically different from that which we observe in our society and in our world. Jesus' kingship is one of love and service and his rule, might and authority will never pass away – because it comes from God. We are invited to participate in His Kingdom and through our baptism He has made us co-workers with Him in bringing the values of His Kingdom into our fallen world.

### **THIS WEEK**

**Monday** 9.30am The Parents and Toddlers Group meets in the Hall  
**Tuesday** 10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room. This week we will be reflecting on paragraphs 1822 – 1846.

### **PARISH NOTICEBOARD**

#### **Anniversaries this week**

Charles Egerton (2020), Mary Sutcliffe (2017), Charles Burnham-Slipper (2013), Patricia Thompson (2012), Joan Emmerson (2018), Patrick Hall (2007), Constance Donohue (1996), Bernard Brooks (2019), Sr Carmel Murphy (2003), Mary Smith (2021).

*May they Rest in Peace.*

### **Money Matters**

Last Sunday £436.69 was given in cash at the Offertory and CAFOD £12.80. These figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

### **Ipswich Hospital Chaplaincy**

If you or a loved one are in hospital – please let the Chaplaincy team know - (01473) 704100/[chaplaincy@esneft.nhs.uk](mailto:chaplaincy@esneft.nhs.uk) and please let them know that you are a Catholic.

### **Stella Maris Soup Lunch Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov**

We do hope you can join us for soup, a roll and dessert - 12-2pm on the 29<sup>th</sup> - choice of 4 soups and 4 desserts. There will be a Tombola and a Cake stall. Why not bring a friend?  
All welcome! Barbara and Sylvia.

### **Calling all singers...**

We kindly request all people who enjoy singing to please come forward and contact either Fr. Michael, Ian Hughes or Austina Meyn. Age is not a barrier and it would be great to form a group that would be able to sing at the 10am mass on Sunday and maybe on other feast days. We look forward to hearing from you!

### **SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

We would like to thank all of our volunteers who work with children and vulnerable adults in our parish. In addition to the DBS guidance, the team at the Diocese have identified some training that you might find useful in your roles.

The training can be found at <https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/> and volunteers are recommended to complete module 3. You will find a poster in the porch and if you have any questions please ask Phil or Anne Dance - our safeguarding representatives.

### **Children's Liturgy**

The team that provides children's *Liturgy of the Word* at 10am Mass each Sunday remains in need of more people. If anyone, man or woman, could offer to join the team that would be much appreciated. Please speak to Monica Macdonald or one of the present team.

### **Christmas Fayre – Sat 7<sup>th</sup> December**

The Convent of Jesus and Mary invite you to their Christmas Fayre – 63 Orwell Road, Felixstowe IP11 7PP. Doors open at 10am ('till 4 pm) - Free Entry. Soup and Roll from 12noon.

### **Job Vacancy**

Headteacher required at St Louis Catholic Academy, Newmarket. Please see website for more details: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/>

### **Christmas Giving Tree**

Dear fellow parishioners. Once again, we have the opportunity to reach out to the children and young people supported by the Suffolk Refugee Centre. The Giving Tree will be in the church from 23rd November until the 9th of December after which the team from Suffolk will collect our donations so that they have time to distribute them. We invite you to take a label from the tree, buy the gift indicated on the label, wrap the gift attach the label and pop it in the box provided next to the tree. The giving tree has always been a great success and a demonstration of the love and support of the Felixstowe community. Anne and Phil Dance

### **Posada – an Advent devotion**

Meaning 'Inn' in Spanish - the tradition of the *Posada* during Advent is a way of welcoming into our homes Mary and Joseph as they make their way to Bethlehem where the Christ-child will be born. The *Posada* statue will be blessed at the start of Advent and then parishioners are invited to host the statue in their own home for one night. Each parishioner/family that hosts the *Posada* are then responsible for liaising with the next people on the list for the transfer of the *Posada* from one home to another. Prayer leaflets will be available so that when hosting the *Posada* these prayers can be said together by all in the house as a way of preparing ourselves to welcome God's message of salvation into our lives, hearts and homes. **Please sign up using the sheet in the Porch at the back of Church.**

### **The New Translation of Readings at Mass**

Next Sunday marks the start of our using the *English Standard Version – Catholic Edition (ESV-CE)* translation of the Word of God. In addition, the psalms used at Mass will also be in a new translation – known as the *Abbey Psalms and Canticles*. More information about the New Translation is contained in helpful leaflets entitled *The New Lectionary Explained* at the back of Church. In moving from the familiar translations to the new ones we are being presented with a gentle challenge to hear the Word of God afresh – prompting our further reflection – in the Church - under the guidance of the Holy Spirit – to make God's Word a reality in our lives.