



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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9th February 2025 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Int.+Bridget Dunnachie
Sunday 10.00am Int. +John Battersby
12 noon (Conv) *Pro Populo*

Weekday Masses

Monday St Scholastica
9.30am Int.
Tuesday Our Lady of Lourdes
(World day of prayer for the sick)
9.30am Int. The Sick of the Parish
Wednesday FERIA
No Mass today
Thursday FERIA
4.30pm (Convent) Int.
Friday Ss Cyril and Methodius (FEAST)
11.30am Int. +Valen Thomas
Saturday FERIA
No Mass this morning
6.00pm Int. *Pro Populo*

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said quarter of an hour before Mass on Mon, Tue & Fri

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
- Tuesday at 10am (during exposition)
- Or... by appointment

The Rosary

Friday at Noon (during exposition)

The Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 468,643, 971, 924

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 2030 onwards.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries around this time and this week

Mary Drouet (2003), Tori-Anna Williams (2004), Joan Nelson (2014), Henry Dukes (2004), John Battersby (2015), Cyril Keeble (2017), Frances Brooks (2021), Bernard Davies (1997), Sr Felicity Moody (2004), Frances Haylock (2005) and Michael Thomas (2021).

May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters

Last Sunday's collection was £340.72 given in cash at the Offertory, and CAFOD £7.10. The above figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

Second Collection next Sunday

This will be in support of the work of the *Catholic Association for Racial Justice* since it is Racial Justice Sunday.

Call for last year's PALMS please...

As Lent fast approaches please bring to the sacristy, as soon as possible, over the coming days - before or after mass – your old palms from last year so our sacristan can prepare ashes for Ash Wednesday. Thank-you.

Ipswich Hospital Chaplaincy

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

Fire Alarm Installation at St Felix

A fire alarm system is being installed in the Church starting the week beginning 17th February. The contractors will endeavour to keep any inconvenience and disruption to a minimum and we plan to keep Mass times the same as usual. However, the Church will be closed to the public between Church services to allow work to be done. Hopefully the whole installation should take no more than a week. Thank you for your understanding, and apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Talk on the history of *Monte Cassino* by Antony Pittaccio – not to be missed!!

Join us in the Cooper Room on Tues 18th Feb at 2.30pm when Antony will be giving an illustrated talk on the fascinating history of *Monte Cassino* followed by light refreshments.

Foundation Masses

If you are aware of a Foundation Mass for a relative or other loved one which is said annually in this Parish please can you talk to Fr Michael. Each year we are asked to review our list of Foundation Masses. Many thanks!

The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham seeks donations to establish a mission house in Walsingham to expand their work of spiritual accompaniment and supporting young people in faith. Flyers are available at the back of Church or donations can be made online. Tel:(01362) 692574.

www.walsinghamcommunity.org

Victims of Trafficking and Modern Slavery

As we recall the feast day of *St. Josephine Bakhita* yesterday (8th February) we continue to pray for the Victims of Trafficking and Slavery in our world and also in our part of the UK! More information is available from *The Santa Marta Group* and the *Diocese of East Anglia*. Please see the links below
www.santamartagroup.org/st-bakhita-day
www.rcdea.org.uk/caritas-east-anglia/modern-slavery/

A Sapling in the Frost

*I left my soul in Syria.
I left my heart by the border.
I left my mind on the boat.
I left my words on the train.*

*Nobody can retrieve them.
Not my weeping mother.
Not my fighting brother.
Not my dearest friend.*

*My home, destroyed by war.
My father, killed by war.
My family exploited by war.
My life, full of war.*

*I long for a safe haven.
A new beginning.
A way of life.
A sapling in the frost...*

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The above poem was written by a
Nine-year-old child at St Mark's
Catholic Primary School in Ipswich
Winner of the
2020 Young Suffolk Poets Competition

How are you preparing for Lent?

Don't forget the Holy Spirit – is a day of renewal – at St Laurence's, Cambridge on 1st March 10 am – 4 pm (Mass 10:30 am). Speakers include Fr Matt Anscombe & Caroline Sadd plus praise & worship, real-life accounts of transformation, reconciliation, exposition & prayer ministry. Bring a packed lunch, teas and coffees available. Email: renewaleastanglia@gmail.com or phone Pam Smith.

Snowdrop Day

Saturday 15th February 12-2pm at Falkenham Parish Church. Refreshments will be available.