



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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23rd March 2025 – Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Int. *Pro Populo*
Sunday 10.00am Int.+James Morris
12 noon (Convent)

Weekday Masses

Monday LENT FERIA
9.30am Int. +Michael Butterworth
Tuesday Annunciation (SOLEMNITY)
9.30am Int. Sick of the Parish

Lenten Deanery Station Mass – 7 pm
St Mary's, 322 Woodbridge Road
Ipswich IP4 4BD Confessions from 6 pm

Wednesday LENT FERIA
10am Convent, 63 Orwell Road
Int. +Rosemary Chase (F)

Thursday LENT FERIA
4.30pm Convent, 63 Orwell Road
Int. The Whelan Family

Friday LENT FERIA
11.30am Int. Brenda Brazier

Eucharistic Adoration Friday 28th March

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, there will be an extended period of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes throughout the world on the Third Friday in Lent, 28th March. We too are hoping to have extended Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Felix on that day, beginning after the 11.30 am Mass and concluding with Benediction some hours later. In order for this to be possible we need volunteers (2 per half hour) to sign up. Please sign up for a 30-minute slot using the sheet in the Porch. This guarantees that there will always be someone at prayer in the church during the period of Adoration. Many thanks.

Saturday LENT 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 from noon

The Rosary

Friday at Noon (during exposition)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm
- Tuesday at 10am (during exposition)
- Or... by appointment

The Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 840,752,237,966

THIS WEEK

Monday The Parents and Toddlers Group meets in the Hall at the new time of 10-11.30am.

Tuesday 10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room and will be considering paragraphs no. 2201 and following.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries around this time and this week

Donovan Stocker (2012), Norman Sidney Cawston (2018), Peter Goggins (1998), Pamela Vickers (2020), Sr Louise Bourke (2017), Margaret Bennett (2005), Harry Butters (2005), John Simmons (1995) and Leslie Styles (2004).

May they Rest in Peace.

Second Collection Today – This is a nationwide second collection in aid of the National Shrine of Our Lady in Walsingham. Many thanks

Money Matters

Last Sunday's collection was £463.46 given in cash at the Offertory, and CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY £448.80. The above figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

LENT at St Felix

'House Masses' during Lent

These will be at the following locations and times –
All welcome!

- Wed 26th March – 10 am – Convent of Jesus and Mary, 63 Orwell Road, Fxt. IP11 7PP
- Tues 1st April – 7 pm – 4 Pretyman Road, Felixstowe IP11 2DU
- Tues 8th April – 7 pm – 295A High Road, Trimley St Martin IP11 0RJ

Lenten Reading Group – Thursday evenings

From *13th March at 7 pm* for five consecutive Thursdays in the Presbytery. We will be reading:
The Joy of God - Sr Mary David Totah (*Bloomsbury*)

Lenten Soup Lunches on Fridays

Simple soup 'hunger' lunches will be served after the 11.30 am morning mass in the Hall – in aid of CAFOD. Phone Kate if you can help

Stations of the Cross on Sunday afternoons

At 3pm every Sunday during Lent at St Felix.

Reconciliation Service – Tues 8th Apr - St Felix

At 2.30 pm - with 2 visiting priests & Fr Michael - available to hear individual confessions.

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

St Felix Facebook Page...

Does anyone know who created the parish Facebook page? If so, please contact Fr Michael – many thanks.

Missio Red Boxes

These will be exchanged at both masses at St Felix on 5/6th April. If not convenient please contact Barbara Lamberton

Faith Music Camping Entertainment...

The Ignite Catholic Youth Festival takes place this year - for those in years 8 to 13 - at St Benedict's Catholic School, Bury St Edmunds.
www.ignitefestival.co.uk

Radio Maria Daily Lenten Reflections...

<https://radiomariaengland.uk/>

Catholic Charismatic Gathering at St

John's Cathedral Norwich NR2 2PA

12th April - 10.30am till 3pm

Bishop Peter and the Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion team invite you to our first gathering in East Anglia.

The day includes Adoration, Confessions, Mass. Please bring packed lunch – teas/coffees will be provided.

A wonderful opportunity to come together in faith, receive spiritual nourishment, and deepen our connection as a charismatic community.

Defend your faith...

A series of short answers to potential criticisms of the Catholic Faith. They provide a short reply which you may find helpful when discussing or sharing your faith with friends, family and others...

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Why do Catholics disagree with the state sanctioning assisted dying for those in great pain who have only a few months left to live?

Reply: As our parish letter to Felixstowe's MP explained:

"Those who propose assisted suicide are, implicitly, denying that life has an inherent value beyond its abilities and capacities. Deliberately bringing about death in the name of "dignity" denies the innate dignity of every human life which, in turn, has damaging consequences for how society views those with severe disabilities, those who are dying & those in great discomfort.

"One of our parish's great fears about this bill is that sick people will experience a fear of burdening loved ones with their suffering, which is particularly concerning for those who are elderly and infirm.

"Rather than legalising assisted suicide, we call for greater government investment in specialist palliative care. We reiterate the Catholic Church's commitment to protecting and valuing life at all stages, no matter how physically or psychologically limited, and our opposition to assisted suicide as an attack on the inherent dignity of human life."