



# PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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## 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Fourth Sunday of EASTER

### Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Int. *Pro Populo*  
Sunday 10.00am Int. +Anne Doogue  
(Children and Young People's Mass – followed  
by refreshments in the Parish Hall)  
12 noon (Convent)

### Weekday Masses

Monday Easter FERIA  
9.30am +John Smith  
Tuesday Easter FERIA  
3 pm Mass for the Sick  
(With the Sacrament of Anointing -  
followed by afternoon tea in Parish Hall)  
Wednesday St Matthias – Apostle - FEAST  
No Mass today  
Thursday Easter FERIA  
4.30pm (Convent) Int.  
Friday Easter FERIA  
11.30am Int.  
Saturday Easter 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 Monday and Friday only  
this week

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday only at noon with the Rosary

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm
- Or... by appointment

### The Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 465, 864, 360, 878.

### 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.

### Anniversaries around this time and this week

Maurice Karsham (1994), Madge Hallinan  
(2000), Mary Moore (2003) and John Davy  
(2003) *May they Rest in Peace.*

### Prayers for the sick

We remember all the sick: any sisters at the  
Convent of Jesus & Mary who are unwell, along  
with Gabriell Allen, Betty Fisk, Ann Haines,  
Margaret Nelson, Sandra Reeve, Helen Shayle,  
Di Thomas, Bernadette & Keith Thomson, Chris  
Watts, and John Whelan among many others.

### Mass for the sick – Tues 13<sup>th</sup> May 3pm

All welcome! For those who are sick there will be  
anointing during mass. Refreshments will follow  
for all in the Parish Hall. If you would like  
assistance getting to this Mass at St Felix please  
contact Helping Hands on 07770768168.

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

### More hands for *Helping Hands*??

Would you be available to visit someone in their  
home – not every week - but every so often?  
Helping our less mobile parishioners feel part of  
our community? If interested... please phone  
Catherine to find out more: 07770768168

### Money Matters

Last Sunday's collection was £339.75 given in  
cash at the Offertory, CAFOD £20.44. The  
above figures are in addition to standing orders  
and DONA machine offerings.

The Second Collection TODAY is for the  
Priests' training fund.

### **Good Shepherd Sunday – 11<sup>th</sup> May**

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday; a day when we reflect on how the ministry of Christ as Priest, Prophet and Shepherd continues in the Church through the ordained priesthood. Priests do not fall from Heaven ready-made. The call to priesthood needs to be heard, vocations need to be nurtured, and funding is needed to provide for priestly formation. The cost of training a priest is more than £150,000. We all have our part to play in praying, encouraging vocations and financially supporting the formation of our future parish priests. Please continue to pray for priestly vocations and be generous as possible towards the Second Collection Today

### **Discerner's Day for Anyone Thinking About a Vocation to the Priesthood**

Diocesan day of recollection for anyone open to the possibility of discerning a calling to the priesthood. To be held at the Catholic church in Thetford - 24<sup>th</sup> of May (beginning with 10:30am Mass) and open to those at any stage of discernment, including those who may simply be curious about beginning to explore this path. It will include times of prayer, as well as input from Fr Gregory Pearson (of the Dominicans), Fr Christopher Smith, (Diocesan Director of Vocations) and Dr Richard Macquire (Cathedral Heritage Officer). For more information and to express interest in attending, you are warmly encouraged to contact Fr Chris Smith: [christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk)

### ***Pilgrimage to Walsingham***

***For the Jubilee of Families, CHILDREN,  
Grandparents and the Elderly***

***Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May 25***

***10.45am Walk from the Village***

***12 noon Mass at the Chapel of Reconciliation***

*Led by Bishop Peter*

*Bring a picnic to be enjoyed after Mass*

*Contact Fr Pat for more details*

[Patrick.cleary@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:Patrick.cleary@rcdea.org.uk)

01842 752266

### ***Retreat Day - Sat 17 May (10.30am-2.30pm)***

*Led by Sr Sheila Gosney RJM*

*With a focus on spiritual growth  
using 'The cup of our life' by Joyce Rupp*

*Convent of Jesus and Mary, 63 Orwell Road,  
Felixstowe IP11 7PY.*

*Please bring own lunch - teas/coffees provided.  
New attendees very welcome!*

### **Job Vacancy at the Walsingham Shrine**

**PILGRIMAGE & SHRINE SITE TEAM LEAD**

**£30,000–£35,000 pa.**

The Walsingham Trust is seeking a leader to coordinate pilgrimage planning and provide support for the Sacred Liturgy at the Catholic National Shrine and Basilica. The role also includes overseeing the operations of the Gift Shop, Tea Room and Domestic Team. You will work closely with the General Manager and Rector to ensure pilgrimages and liturgies are well organised and properly resourced, as well as ensuring that the chapels are well kept and cared for.

Weekend availability is required from Easter to mid-October. The position is full-time, based on a five-day working week with two weekdays off during the pilgrimage season. For details or to apply, email: [recruitment@walsingham.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@walsingham.org.uk)

### ***More Retreats...***

***If you would like time away to recharge those 'spiritual batteries' – here are some places in East Anglia worth considering for a day/a few days....***

- Clare Priory ([www.clarepriory.org.uk](http://www.clarepriory.org.uk))
- Community of Our Lady of Walsingham in Dereham ([www.walsinghamcommunity.org](http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org))
- Carmelite Monastery in Quidenham ([www.quidenhamcarmel.org.uk](http://www.quidenhamcarmel.org.uk))

Why not check out their websites and book some time away for prayer, reflection and rest.