



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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18th May 2025 – Fifth Sunday of EASTER

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Int. *Pro Populo*
Sunday 10.00am Int. Thanksgiving for David
12 noon (Convent)

Weekday Masses

Monday Easter FERIA
9.30am Int.

Tuesday Easter FERIA
No Mass today

Wednesday Easter FERIA
No Mass today

Thursday Easter FERIA
No Mass today

Friday Easter FERIA
No Mass today

Saturday Easter FERIA
9.30am Int.
6.00pm Int. *Pro Populo*

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said quarter of an hour before Mass on Monday and Saturday only this week

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 466,739,355,771.

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.

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.

Anniversaries around this time and this week

Kathleen Deanaly (2020), Joan Runnacles (2020), Anna Maria Button (2023), Lily Dunn (1998), Lloyd Fenton (2010), John King (2014), Bob Fisher (2018), Catherine Achow (1994), Elizabeth Negus (1998) and William Strachan (2016) *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.

John Smith RIP John died at Sunrise Nursing Home, Felixstowe, on 29th April. The Funeral Mass will take place at the Convent of Jesus and Mary, 63 Orwell Road, on Thursday 5th June at 11.30am with reception into the Convent chapel the afternoon before (Wednesday 4th June) at 4pm. There will be Light refreshments at the Convent following the Requiem.

Money Matters

Last Sunday's collection was £619.17 given in cash at the Offertory, CAFOD £12.20, Second Collection for Priests' Training Fund £275.42. The above figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

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

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 - 24th 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

Pilgrimage to Walsingham

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

Sat 31st 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

01842 752266

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

Our Lady of Ipswich - Walking Pilgrimage

Sat 31st May 2025 – Feast of the Visitation

*Walking and praying from 4 locations in Ipswich
concluding with Mass at St Pancras at 12:15*

Starting from...

St Mark's, Hawthorn Drive at 10:30 am

St Mary Magdalen, Norwich Road at 10:45 am

St Mary's Woodbridge Road at 11:15 am

Lady Lane at 11:30 am

The International Jubilee for Priests & Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral

Thursday 26th June, 12noon

Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich

This mass will also include the installation of

Fr Sean Connolly & Fr David Finegan

as Canons of the Cathedral Chapter

All Welcome!

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Catholic Association) 22-29th August 2025

All welcome – please contact your Lourdes

Diocesan/Group Pilgrimage director

Email: contact@catholicassociation.co.uk

Tell: 01732 886666

(www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join)

Defend your faith...

A series of short answers to potential criticisms of the Catholic Faith which may be helpful when discussing/sharing your faith with others...

Miracles attributed to Christ or to others in modern times are fake news. Only science can be trusted to tell us the truth?

Reply: Surely if God established the laws of nature, He can also suspend or make exceptions to them. Catholics believe that these rare and exceptional events are meant as signs whose purpose always relates to the salvation of souls. The central miracle in God's plan of salvation is Christ's resurrection from the dead. Miracles of healing remind us of God's love and symbolise the more profound and important healing — from sin — that God offers to all. Jesus is God and everything is possible for Him.