

PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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Sunday 22nd June 2025 – Corpus Christi

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Int. +*Mary & Patrick Gogarty* 10.00am Int. Pro Populo Sunday 12 noon (Convent) + John Bisset Weekday Masses Monday St Etheldreda 9.30am (Memoria) Int. Birthday of St John the Baptist Tuesday (Solemnity) 9.30am Int. Wednesday FERIA No Mass today Thursday Dedication of the Cathedral No Mass today (Feast) Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday 11.30am (Solemnity) Saturday Immaculate Heart of Mary No Mass this morning (Memoria) 6.00pm Int. Pro Populo

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said quarter of an hour before Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Friday only.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday at 10am (Benediction 10.30am) Friday at 12noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The Rosary

Friday 12noon (during exposition)

The 10am Sunday Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 269,609,832,801 The Gloria will be sung in Latin: **498**

THIS WEEK

Monday The Parents and Toddlers Group meets in the Hall 10-11.30am Tuesday The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room at 10.45am

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

Anniversaries around this time & this week Dolly Turner (1994), Janet Mitchell (2000), John Milford (2006), Halina Schoeberl (2016), Mary Humphries (1998), Austin Ryan (2006), Sr Dolores Lynn (2018), Mary Newby (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, Tony Pittaccio, Sandra Reeve, Helen Shayle, Di Thomas, Bernadette & Keith Thomson, Chris Watts, and John Whelan among many others.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's collection was £463.29 given in cash and CAFOD £8.71. The second collection for the Bishops' Conference Life Charities was £147.79. These figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings. National Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to Walsingham, Saturday 2nd August to be led by Bishop John Keenan of Paisley diocese, Scotland. Everyone is invited to join in this pilgrimage either in person or via the Shrine livestream <u>https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/</u> For details and travel arrangements: <u>www.prolifepilgerimage.org</u>

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

Margaret Smith & family wish to thank all those who have sent messages of sympathy and provided support in any way during the last 5 months.

A special thank you to the Sisters of Jesus & Mary, and to Father for helping to organise and celebrate what was a beautiful requiem Mass and a fitting tribute to John. We received lots of lovely comments from our non-Catholic friends.

May God bless you all.

St Felix Toddlers

St Felix Toddlers has now been running for most of the past four years and a massive thank you has to go to the wonderful people volunteering who have helped keep it going (more volunteers are always incredibly welcome)!

We would also like to get more parishioners involved in connecting with the group. Therefore, for anyone attending the 9:30am Mass on the first Monday of each month, we'd like to invite them in for tea/coffee/biscuits and a chat after Mass if they would like to see what we do at the toddler group.

The next time will be Monday, 7th July, 10am. Many thanks! Kriszti Royal

BASIC Food Bank & Stella Maris

If you are new to the Parish, you may be unaware that we support the BASIC Charity Food Bank with non-perishable food stuffs and toiletries. There is a donation box in the Church Porch which is emptied regularly.

There is also a donations box for seafarers via our port chaplain Julian Wong and ship visitors. The Seafarers are grateful for toiletries (for men and women), sweets, rosaries and small religious items and knitted hats!

Missio RED BOXES

Dear Friends, Please help yourself to the latest *Missio Magazine* in the porch. It explains how your money is spent! Anyone who would like to support the missions via the Red Box please ask me – I have spare Red Boxes!

Barbara Lamberton

Defend your faith...

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

How can we really believe that we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion?

Reply: Jesus is Divine. When he said "This is my body" and "This is my blood" we accept his words as Truth. He did not say "This is a symbol of my body" or "This is a symbol of my blood". He could have done - but he didn't. And we know elsewhere in the Gospels that many walked away because He stressed the literal meaning when He said that his flesh was *real food* and his blood was *real drink* (John 6:55).

Jesus (who is risen from the dead and ascended into glory) - is really, truly and substantially present in the Eucharist - He is feeding us with Himself – the *Bread of Life*.