



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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Sunday 20th July 2025 – Sea Sunday - 16th in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses

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

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
9.30am Int. +Jerry Hynes
Tuesday St Mary Magdalen (FEAST)
No Mass today
Wednesday St Bridget of Sweden (FEAST)
No Mass today
Thursday FERIA
4.30pm Int.
Friday St James – Apostle (FEAST)
11.30am Int. in Thanksgiving
Saturday Ss Joachim & Anne (Memoria)
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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday at 12noon

The Rosary

Fridays 12noon (during exposition)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The 10am Sunday Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 963,846,956,716
Our sung Gloria this week will be **498**

THIS WEEK

Monday: *St Felix Toddlers* - Our Parents and Toddlers Group meets in the Church Hall **10-11.30am**

Tuesday: *The Catechism Group* meets in the Cooper Room at **10.45am**. The next paragraph to be discussed is number 2504.

Anniversaries around this time/this week

Ronald Russell (1996), Maria McIntee (1997), Arthur Green (2006), Brian Tehan (2009), Jane McKeown (2022), Maurice Simms (2004), William Martin (1997), Charles Buckley (2018) and Arthur Hayes (1996).

May they Rest in Peace

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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.

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, Maria Maltby, Margaret Nelson, Helen Shayle, Di Thomas, Bernadette & Keith Thomson, Chris Watts, and John Whelan among many others.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's collection was £327.44 given in cash and CAFOD £13.22. These figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

There will be a **second collection TODAY** for the work of *Stella Maris*.

Congratulations and Thank-you!

Many congratulations to our six children (and their families) who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. And a special thank-you to our dedicated catechists, Monica and Pauline, who helped to prepare these children to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

And what a wonderful celebration we had in the Hall afterwards - with lovely food, music and company! Many thanks to everyone who contributed - in any way at all (including by their participation) – to our celebration last weekend – here's to many more!

Fr Michael

Knights of St Columba - Pilgrimage of Relics

Relics of Ss Columba, Margaret & Andrew will visit St Mary's, Woodbridge Road, on Wed 30 July around midday – as part of a UK tour. Praying of the Rosary will begin at 3.00 pm and the day will conclude with Mass at 7.00pm. A collection will be taken for the *Knights of St Columba* National Charity - the *Alma Mater Fund* - and *Mary's Meals*. There will be Mass on the 31st at 9.15am before the relics depart to *Our Lady & St Osyth*, Clacton.

Pilgrimage & Shrine site lead, Walsingham

We are seeking someone to lead pilgrimage planning at the Catholic Shrine - prioritising support for the Sacred Liturgy. They will be responsible for overseeing the Gift Shop, Tea Room and Domestic team. Please see:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/2025/07/03/job-advert-pilgrimage-and-shrine-site-team-lead/>

We are also seeking a dedicated and organised Sacristan who will support the daily liturgical life of the Shrine, ensuring sacred spaces are well-prepared, reverent & welcoming - see:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/2025/06/23/job-advert-sacristan/>

Books etc on the Catholic Faith for children and adults in the Church Porch!

The new shelving and cabinets installed in the Church Porch now mean we can display a wide range of materials available for us to use - as a resource - to help us grow in our Catholic Faith.

The books and booklets are available to take home, read and return when you're ready. The smaller prayer cards for you to keep forever!

More publications are also available to borrow from the shelves in our Church Hall.

Please - help yourselves!

All these items are in addition to our Repository Cabinet in the Porch - containing rosaries, missals, and other items – which are for sale.

It is important that we continue to grow in our faith, our understanding, our prayer - our relationship with God. All these materials are intended to help us do this. They may also enable us to answer questions when we're asked about the Church and our beliefs.

Fr Michael

Being still – before the Blessed Sacrament – in a Catholic Church...

I once read a short reflection by Cardinal Basil Hume which went something like this...
Catholic Churches are places where we find the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament – in the Tabernacle. It's a very good thing to make a visit to a Catholic Church and to simply sit or kneel – conscious of – and focused on – Our Lord present before us in this way. And if we are prepared to give time to do this – to visit – to remain there – still – for a while – we can find that all our worries, concerns, thoughts, feelings can gently unfurl in His loving presence.

It's an opportunity to receive His help and peace. **It does work**