



# PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00 pm Int. *Pro Populo*  
Sunday **11.00 am – International Mass**  
Int. *Thanksgiving for the birth of*  
*Angelo Valentino*  
**4 pm (Convent – 63 Orwell Rd)**

### Weekday Masses

Monday Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary (FEAST)

**9.30am** Int. +Mary Wall

Tuesday FERIA

**9.30am** Int. +Holy Souls

Wednesday FERIA

**No Mass today**

Thursday FERIA

**4.30pm** Int. (Convent)

**Friday 12 September - REQUIEM MASS**

**1.30pm** +**Gabriel Allen**

Saturday St John Chrysostom (Memoria)

**9am** **Mass only**

**6.00pm** Int. *Pro Populo*

### The Daily Office

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

### The 10am Sunday Mass today

The Hymns today will reflect the international mix of our parish community with words for some of the hymns printed on separate sheets  
Our sung Gloria will be **498** as usual

### THIS WEEK

**Monday: *St Felix Toddlers*** – Our Parents & Toddlers Group meets in the Hall **10-11.30am**  
**Tuesday: *The Catechism Group*** meets in the Cooper Room at **10.45am**.

### Anniversaries around this time/this week

Phyllis Jennings, Phyllis O'Shea (1995), Edith Soder, Alfred Scott, Helen Gorham (2016), Rosemary Ann Banks (2021), Ernest Lancaster, Ann Runnacles (2008), Pamela Russell (2009), Edna Luxford, Sr Genevieve Devereux (2019)

*May they Rest in Peace*

**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.

### Prayers for the sick

We remember all the sick: any sisters at the Convent of Jesus & Mary who are unwell, along with 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

The Sunday collection for the 24<sup>th</sup> August was £475.57 given in cash and CAFOD £7.50.

The Sunday collection for the 31<sup>st</sup> August was £374.95 given in cash and CAFOD £9.10

These figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings.

### SECOND COLLECTION – NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday (14<sup>th</sup> Sep) is *Education Sunday* and so there will be a second collection in support of the *Catholic Education Service*.

***Retreat Day - Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
(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.*

**Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

This is the 45th time that this worthy cause has raised funds for all Churches in Suffolk which need continuous support in keeping them open and in good condition, and we have in the past benefitted from this Charity.

If you feel able to ride or walk any distance, please take a sponsorship form from the table at the back of Church and invite friends and family to contribute to your efforts.

Also please sponsor Fr Michael, who will lead a 2 hour walk round the local Felixstowe churches starting at 10 am from St Felix.

***There will be an earlier than usual morning Mass at 9am that day ahead of the departure of tricyclists & walkers from St Felix at 10 am!***

Welcomers are also needed for the whole day, who can introduce visitors to our lovely Church – please consider signing up for a slot!

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the Sunday Gospel readings! All from the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph in the New Forest.

*Not to be missed!*

**Assisted Dying Bill – House of Lords**

This will receive its second reading in the House of Lords on 12<sup>th</sup> September. Please consider writing to a member of the House of Lords asking them to oppose this Bill which is contrary to the sanctity of human life.

More information here:

<https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/assistedsuicideuk/>

**Parish Book Group**

A number of parishioners have expressed an interest in coming together, informally, to share books. This could take a variety of formats which will hopefully evolve over time.

Initially, we plan to meet every 2nd Thursday at 7pm in the Cooper Room - with the 1st gathering planned for 11th September, with some light refreshments. Feel free to bring along a book or article that has helped build your faith, or any recommendations of titles or authors that may encourage the rest of us.

The suggestion is that, rather than all reading the same book, we leave ourselves open to a broader input. So please note the date and come along to enjoy hearing about 'a good read'.

**Radio Maria**

**<https://radiomariaengland.uk/>**

'At a time when mainstream media is closing in, building higher walls, and perfecting the art of distraction, Catholic media is one of the last remaining doorways out. It says: look up, look out, there is more than this. It says: step beyond the set, the stage, the script – step into the light of reality...'

*Words from Priest Director, Radio Maria England  
Fr Toby Lees OP*

If you haven't already tuned-in to *Radio Maria* – maybe it's time to give it a go...