



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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Sunday 21st September 2025 – 25th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses

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

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
9.30am Int. +Margaret MulQueen
Tuesday St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
9.30am Int. +Sick members of our Parish
Wednesday Our Lady of Walsingham (SOLEMNITY)
Principle Patron of Our Diocese
12noon Mass only
Int. +Margaret MulQueen
Thursday FERIA
4.30pm Int. (Convent)
Friday FERIA
11.30am Int. +Valen Joseph Thomas
Saturday St Vincent de Paul (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, Tuesday and Friday.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday at 10am
Friday at 12noon

The Rosary

Fridays 12noon (during exposition)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The 10am Sunday Mass today

Numbers 864,874,629,966.
Our sung Gloria will be **498** as usual

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

Lily Crouch, John Osborne, John O'Mahony (2021), Sr Martina Lilley, Daisy Matthews, Dierdre Rooney, Maisie Symes (2018), Valen Joseph Thomas (2024), Cyril Roberts, Patrick Donaghy, Maurice Rivett and Stephanie O'Mahony (2018). *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 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, David Pitt, Helen Shayle, Di Thomas, Bernadette & Keith Thomson, Chris Watts, and John Whelan among many others.

MONEY MATTERS

The Sunday collection for the 14th September was £459.45 given in cash and CAFOD £7.20. These figures are in addition to standing orders and DONA machine offerings. The Second Collection for the *Catholic Education Service* was £146.70.

THANK-YOU from *Ride & Stride*

A record number of cyclists, tricyclists(!) and walkers were recorded this year, so could all who have participated please collect and then give Haley Dossor, the organiser for this Parish, the proceeds, so these can go to the Ride and Stride Charity – the *Suffolk Historic Churches Trust* -as soon as possible. Many, many thanks!

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.' - Fr Toby Lees OP

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

If there are any parents who would like their children to make their first Holy Communion next summer please contact Fr Michael. To be enrolled in the program at St Felix, the children should be in year 3 or above at school and regularly attend mass at St Felix. We look forward to hearing from you!

Rachel's Vineyard

Do you know someone hurting from a past abortion? **Rachel's Vineyard** is a healing ministry for those suffering from the trauma of abortion. The healing weekends offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can deal with painful post-abortive emotions and receive healing.

For more information or to arrange a time to chat please contact Charlotte on 07958 235 270.

Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk

Day of Reflection - the Holy Eucharist

Saturday 18th October at St Felix

An opportunity for us – as a Parish to pray, reflect, and discuss this great Gift of Jesus in our lives. The day will include a video presentation – plus Mass, Adoration and discussion. Please bring own lunch, teas/coffees provided. All welcome!!

Young Leaders Formation...

The *Ignite Team* is excited to be launching a Young Leaders formation initiative, specifically for those aged 16 - 22 who want to be empowered for mission and equipped to serve other young people in the diocese. The launch weekend is 17th - 19th October held at Clare Priory. For more information, please see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Suffolk Refugee Support A.G.M.

The A.G.M. will be on Wednesday 8th October from 6pm to 8.30pm at the Methodist Church, Black Horse Lane, Ipswich IP1 2EF. I shall be attending and have 3 spare seats in my car if anyone would like to join me. Many thanks, Barbara Lamberton.

Mass for the Jubilee of Catechists

Saturday 27th September, 5 pm

Our Lady Immaculate and St Etheldreda's Catholic Church, Newmarket CB8 8LT

This mass will provide an opportunity to give thanks together for the gift of the invaluable service of Catechists in the Church. Please contact Deacon Huw Williams if you would like to attend: huw.williams@rcdea.org.uk

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...

Christ was a great and holy man but was he really divine?

Reply: This challenge has been made on and off since the early centuries of the Church, but has always been repulsed. It is quite clear that, in particular after Christ's resurrection, his early followers believed Jesus to be God made man. St Peter, chosen by Christ to lead his Church, said 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God' (Mt 16:16). St Paul, who knew the Apostles, wrote '...Christ, who is God over all...' (Rom 9:5) and 'For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily' (Col 2:9). The Apostles did not believe Jesus taken up to heaven as a holy man, but as God.