



PARISH OF SAINT FELIX, FELIXSTOWE

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3rd MAY 2026 – Fifth Sunday of EASTER

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6pm *Pro Populo*
Sunday 10am +*Vernon Watts*
12 noon (Convent)
Margaret Smith Int.

Weekday Masses

Monday 4th May 2026

No mass today at St Felix
Feast of the English Martyrs
Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham
Mass in Shrine Basilica at 12noon

Tuesday Easter FERIA
(*day of prayer for survivors of sexual abuse*)

9.30am +*Alan Copeman*

Wednesday Easter FERIA

No mass today

Thursday Easter FERIA

4.30pm (Convent) +*Fr Seamus Hunter*

Friday Easter FERIA

11.30am +*Joan Cotton*

Saturday Easter FERIA

9.30am +*John Doran*

6.00pm *Pro Populo*

The Daily Office

Lauds (Morning Prayer) will be said quarter of an hour before Mass on Tue, Fri and Sat only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday from 10am

Friday from 12noon

The Rosary

Friday at Noon (during exposition)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

The Mass today

The Hymns at 10am: 456, 683, 360, 787.

Monday: *St Felix Toddlers* – meets in the Hall 10-11.30am A group for bumps, 0-5s and their adults. Feel free to bring snacks for your little ones but please avoid major allergens.

Tuesday 10.45am The Catechism Group meets in the Cooper Room.

Anniversaries around this time and this week

Florence Patriarcha, Deborah Kearney (1995), Ruby Stevenson (2011), Margaret Brickwell, Vernon Watts (2019), Thomas Hallinan (1996), Lucy Buckwell (2002), Winifred Barker (2004), Sr Jerome Mullaney, Ludrik Korabik, Maude Owen-Lewis, Beatrice Wightman, Elizabeth Burwood, Sr Martha O'Malley (2002), Dorothy Real (2012), Alan Deveney (2014), Ann Button (2013), Kevin Williams (2023), Kathleen Greaves (2000), Maureen Packer (2006), Arthur Wightman, Kathleen Grace (1997), Sr Othelia Aylwood *May they Rest in Peace.*

John Riddell RIP The funeral service will be at Seven Hills Crematorium on Friday 15th May 2026 at 12noon for those who wish to attend.

Prayers for the sick We remember any sisters at the Convent of Jesus & Mary who are unwell, also Betty Fisk, Ann Haines, Margaret Nelson, Helen Shayle, Di Thomas, Bernadette & Keith Thomson, Chris Watts, John Whelan & many others...

Ipswich Hospital Chaplaincy - If a loved one is in hospital – please let the Chaplaincy know - (01473) 704100/chaplaincy@esneft.nhs.uk.

Mass for the Sick – 3pm Tues 12th May

This will include the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick – followed by a traditional afternoon tea in the hall.

MONEY MATTERS

The Sunday collection for the 26th April 2026 (Fourth Sunday of Easter) was £462.42.

The Second Collection for the *Priests' Training Fund* was £289.33.

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

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will visit our Parish 23/24 May. Our second collection that Sunday will be for their work.

We now have a QR code for donations...



If you cannot get to the DONA machine, please scan our QR code here and this will take you to the necessary webpage where the usual DONA options will be available for you to give online.

Reminder about Gift Aid eligibility - If you have submitted a Gift Aid Declaration in the past but no longer pay sufficient income or capital gains tax to cover the gift aid to be claimed on your donations, it is important that you let us know to avoid us making a false claim. You should also inform us if the address on your Gift Aid Declaration is no longer current, but you do not need to submit a new form. In either eventuality, please contact Paul Kearney

Our Lady of Ipswich—Walking Pilgrimage

This will take place on Sat 30th May.

Pilgrims will commence from the following four starting points across Ipswich:

St Mark's, Hawthorn Drive 10.30am

St Mary Magdalen, Norwich Rd. 10.45am

St Mary's, Woodbridge Rd. 11.15am

Lady Lane 11.30am

We will conclude with 12.15pm Mass at St Pancras Church in the centre of town.

RADIO MARIA provides a wide range of radio programmes, events, and other resources to help us grow our Catholic Faith. (www.radiomariaengland.uk)

Safeguarding & Toilets: Please be mindful that children should not visit the toilet facilities unless accompanied by their parents/carers.

Flowers in Church - Help is urgently needed to arrange flowers in Church. Sylvia and I are getting to the point where we can't always be relied upon to make sure we have flowers in Church. We need new Ladies and/or Gentlemen to come forward and help. I will be happy - if required - to run some workshops/classes to show you the basics. It is an important task and if you are willing, it needs to be on a regular basis not just at special times in the Church's year. Please speak to me or Sylvia at Mass Thank-you - Giovanna

PRIESTLY VOCATION – Sat 16 May.

Day of discernment - St Mary's Catholic Church, 73 Newtown, Thetford IP24 3AU

Do you sense that God may be calling you to serve Him as a priest in His Church? Would you like to learn more about priestly ministry as a diocesan priest? Are you seeking a deeper understanding of how priesthood is lived in the 21st century? All men who are open to discerning a call to serve God through the priesthood are warmly invited to this day of discernment.

We will begin with Mass at 10:30am. The day will close at 3pm – lunch will be provided. The programme will include:

- The theology of priestly ministry
- Guidance on discernment and formation
- Opportunities for discussion
- Eucharistic Adoration

Please contact Fr Christopher Smith (Vocations Director for the Diocese) for more information and to book your place. christopher.smith@rcdea.org.uk
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Head of School required for St Edmunds & St Joseph's Catholic Primary Schools.

Please see diocesan website for details www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/