

PARISH OF ST. FELIX, HAVERHILL

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time Sea Sunday

Sunday 13th July 2025

Psalter - Week 3

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Head teacher: Mrs. A. Dodds

CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 19th July – Angela Rymills, Jo Rowson, Nora Roberts. Saturday 26th July – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu, Anu Anto, Zina Pereira

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:

Sunday 13th July – Pat and PJ Sheehy & Annette Field. Sunday 20th July - Baiju and Sonia Varghese & Ian Blythe

Reflection on today's Gospel by Fr. Adrian Graffy

One of the extraordinary features of the Gospel according to Luke is the presence of parables of Jesus only found in this gospel. The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of these.

The parable is provoked by the question of the 'lawyer', an expert in the Jewish Law. The summary of the Law that he offers Jesus is the same as the reply Jesus himself gives in other gospels. There is a profound agreement between Jesus and the experts on the Law. To the lawyer's further question, 'And who is my neighbour?', Jesus replies not by entering into a dialogue about who and who is not a neighbour. For Jesus all people are to be treated as neighbours. Instead, Jesus tells a parable to illustrate how to behave as a neighbour to others.

The painstaking compassion of the Samaritan for an unknown victim of violence in a hostile environment provides an example for all followers of Jesus. In this story Jesus sets up as an example a Samaritan, one who belongs to a despised and hated race, considered heretical by the Jews, and contrasts him with two heartless religious professionals. The Samaritan, with his Christ-like behaviour, challenges every Christian.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

of THE MONTH 4.30 p.m – 6.30 p.m.

You are welcome to come and spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

SEA SUNDAY 2025



This weekend we celebrate Sea Sunday and pray for the work of Stella Maris as well as supporting their work with a second collection.

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is Sunday 13th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need.

You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

You can also make a donation in the basket in the narthex and also via our Dona Card Machine.

This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

HYMNS for SUNDAY 13th JULY 2025



886 - For the Healing of the Nations

920 - A New Commandment

898 - Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

794 - Gos is Love, His the Care

PRAYER INTENTIONS

God our Father, we pray for the many people who have asked for our prayers; for their healing and their peace. Hold them, shelter them and keep them in your tender care. Comfort those who grieve and give courage to those who are fearful. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

- Please pray for people requesting prayers in our 'Intentions Book', especially Graeme Burden who is ill, and others who are also sick.
- Please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine and everywhere in the world affected by war and conflict.
- Pray for all people and lands devastated by effects of climate change.
- Pray for the people of South Sudan, particularly the students and staff of Loreto Rumbek School.
- Pray for people whose income is insufficient to meet their needs, Remember the work of 'REACH' and its volunteers in your prayers.
- Pray that all producers of food and commodities receive just treatment and fair recompense for their labour and products.
- Pray for migrants and refugees that they will receive the welcome and support they need from those to whom they turn for help.
- ➤ Pray for prisoners, their families and those who work with them. Remember especially all those associated with HMP Highpoint.
- Pray for Fr. John, Dcn. Huw, the pupils and staff of St Felix School and all the people of our parish.

Pray for all the people we know and love who have died.

Remember their families and all who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Philip Pratt, Annie Knight, Mary Bliss, Edie Smith, Karen Nunn,
Aileen Hooker, Mary Goodall.

<u>During Summer, up to September, we are asked to pray for:</u>
A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Human Life; Seafarers;
Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe.

Pope Francis asked us to pray in July for formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

<u>Reflections to inform our thoughts and prayers on 'Living Simply'</u>

Let nature be your teacher. Simply by watching the sea, the sky, each morning's miracles, the play of darkness and light, you know you belong to something bigger. Let your senses teach you that nature is the first bible. In the turning of the seasons, in the waxing and waning of each day, nature's allure catches for you, reveals to you, and stirs within you the strains and traces of an Astonishing Love.

Daniel O'Leary,

The Happiness Habit, The Columba Press [2016, page 81]

JUNE 100 CLUB WINNERS:



First prize £150 - PAULINE SHANAHAN [99]
Second prize £100 - COLIN SCHRAEDER-BIDWELL [59]

PLEASE NOTE:

Please note that there will be no 10 a.m. Mass on Tuesday (15th) or Wednesday (16th) as Fr John is away at Clare Priory for his monthly Ministry to Priests Group.

NEED HELP DURING the ON-GOING COST of LIVING CRISIS?

Please speak to Fr. John or you can contact



Get in touch. Our friendly team of advisers are on hand to help you, so please do get in touch:

0800 009 6710

info@reachhaverhill.org.uk

Contact hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.



- 1.Long-life milk
- 2. Crackers
- 3. Tinned fruit
- 4. Rice pudding
- 5. Tinned tomatoes

July 2025



CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
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Children's Liturgy has finished for the summer break. The next session will be on SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 2025

Children's Liturgy is for children in Reception Class and Years 1, 2 and 3 so they can hear the Word of God adapted to their age group. Younger children and/or those with additional needs are welcome to attend with an adult. Children who have made their First Holy Communion should not attend Children's Liturgy.

We are always looking for more adult helpers. If you would like to assist us when Children's Liturgy recommences in September please speak to Fr. John or Angela Wilson.

SEND A POSTCARD TO JESUS

An activity for children to do over the holidays. Children could send Jesus a postcard from their holiday destinations, or a day out or fun activity during their school holidays. The postcard can be bought or drawn by the children and the message they put on the card could be to thank Jesus for something wonderful that they have seen, or experienced, or particularly enjoyed during their holiday or activity.

The cards can be sent c/o St Felix Church, or dropped into the church letter box on return from your holiday or visit.

I will make a display of the cards as they arrive.

ST FELIX PARISH PROJECT 2025

We are supporting the work and mission of LORETO RUMBEK SCHOOL in South Sudan



Global Sustainable Development Goals [SDGs]

All Loreto Rumbek projects are working towards achieving as many of the Sustainable Development Goals that are applicable to them, as possible, within their schools and local community.

- G2 NO HUNGER: During extreme food shortages, all pupils and staff in the schools are provided with a nutritious meal every day.
- G3 GOOD HEALTH: Health care from the Primary Health Care Centre G4 QUALITY EDUCATION: Primary & Secondary Schools, Education Centre.
- G5 GENDER EQUALITY: Proactive measures for girls to access education G6 CLEAN WATER & SANITATION: Implementation of wide variety of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene [WASH] projects
 - G7 RENEWABLE ENERGY: Wide use of solar power in the schools.
- G10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES: Education irrespective of gender, ethnic background, religion or social & financial standing.
- G12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION: Culture of recycling and reusing.
- G13 CLIMATE ACTION: Rain water harvesting, conservation agriculture and re-forestation projects.
- G16 PEACE & JUSTICE: Ensure that the Loreto Rumbek compound is an Island of peace in the sea of violence that surrounds the community of Maker Kuei. Education on alternatives to violence, trauma awareness and resilience training, zero tolerance child protection.

https://loretorumbek.ie/project-work/

We have nearly reached our minimum target of £1000 for the work of Loreto Rumbek School, and are only half way through the time we set aside. The Schools and associated projects rely on sponsors and donations from people like us. The more we can give, the more they can do.

Please use the donation point in the narthex to donate cash or donate using the dona card machine.

ST FELIX SCHOOL NEWS

New Headteacher for St Felix Catholic Primary School

At the end of this Summer Term we say farewell to Mrs Andi Dodds as the Headteacher of our Primary School of St Felix. Thank you Mrs Dodds for all you have given to our school and parish communities over the past few years. Thank you for your inspiration and leadership and for all the support, care and commitment you have shown to the children, parents, families and carers, governors, staff and support staff and everyone involved in the life of our school. We wish you every blessing and an assurance of our prayers as you move to your new job.

Please remember Mrs Dodds in your prayers as we wish her well for the future.

We are delighted to be able to confirm that the new Headteacher of St Felix will be Mrs Anne-Marie Price. Mrs Price has worked in leadership roles in other Catholic schools in the Diocese and is looking forward to joining our school in September. Please also remember Mrs Price in your prayers as she prepares to join our school family in the new academic year.

ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS				
Sunday 13 th July	Team 2 SUE and DAVE			
Sunday 20 th July	Team 3 HELEN and RAYMOND			

Please swap with another counter if you are unable to count on your week given on the rota. Thank you

HAVERHILL TOWN COUNCIL PARKWAY FUN DAY

On Tuesday 29th July we are hosting the Parkway Fun Day. We will need to provide some refreshments, hot and cold drinks and some cakes and biscuits for this day. If you can help on the day please speak to Fr John or email him on john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk
The day runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



PARISH FINANCES

Collections for the weekend 5th July/6th July 2025

Standing Orders: £421.00 Collection: £427.06 Total: £848.06

£216.40 for the Annual Mission Appeal for the Spiritan Fathers £40 for our Parish Project – Loreto Rumbek School, South Sudan Running Total: £995.26

Second collection this weekend 12th/13th July, Sea Sunday – Collection for Stella Maris

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

Dona Card Machine Payments

Just a reminder that you can make the following donations to our Parish via our Dona Card Machine in the narthex: Sunday Collection, Second Collections, CAFOD, 100 Club, Flowers, Candles, Mass Offerings, Donations.

Thank you

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS						
DATE	1 st READING	2 nd READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS			
Saturday 12 th July	VIOLET		ANGELA			
Sunday 6 th July	MARITA	JENNA	Sign – up sheet in narthex			
Saturday 19 th July	JO		ANNE			
Sunday 20 th July	RAYMOND	ADEMIDE	Sign – up sheet in narthex			

Items for the newsletter should be sent to stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com

by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter

ST FELIX MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS

[Masses celebrated in church are also live-streamed]

The link for our Live-Streamed Masses via our YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEHq3Ww93rfGfMGzXS25A2w/

[Sunday readings – Year c, Weekday readings Year I]

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEA SUNDAY

Saturday 12th July: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 13th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass Anna Kutty Mathew RIP

FIFTEENTH WEEK of the YEAR:

Tuesday 15th July: NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 16th July: NO MASS TODAY

Thursday 17th July 10.00 a.m. Mass

Friday 18th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 19th July: 6.30 p.m. Mass

Sunday 20th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions on Saturday evenings from 5.45 – 6.15 p.m.

If you need to speak with myself or Deacon Huw, please call me on 01440 702156 or Deacon Huw on 07399 163718.

Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers
Fr John and Deacon Huw