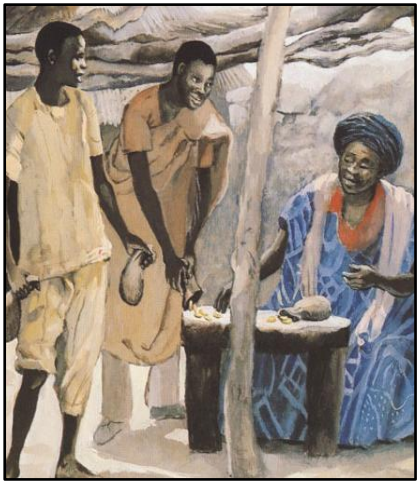

PARISH OF ST. FELIX, HAVERHILL

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
World Day of the Poor

Sunday 15th November 2026

Psalter- Week 1

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 21st November – Nnenna Ezugwu, Chinonso Mfon-Eddie, Stella Ugama, Kelechi Onwodi, Nellie Malango
Saturday 28th November – Alan Kent, Michael Bradshaw, Helen Burns, Ann O'Flanagan, Malcolm M.

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS

Saturday 15th November – Baiju and Sonia Varghese & Ian Blythe
Saturday 22nd November – Jose Family & Ron White

Dear Friends,

Many of us may find ourselves having some sympathy for the third servant in the parable we hear this weekend. This is because we are only too well aware of how fear can hold us back. Fear can be a much more powerful force in the lives of some than others. Those who have experienced a lot of criticism can be slow to take a risk – out of fear. There is an Irish proverb 'Praise the young and they will make progress.' The opposite can also true: criticize the young and they will be held back. Unfair criticism can hold us back and prevent us from reaching our God-given potential: I never heard my mother sing as someone once told her, when she was young, that her voice was not good, that she shouldn't sing, and so she didn't.

The tragedy of the third servant in the parable today is that, out of fear, he hid what had been entrusted to him, even although he could have used it well. Each of us has been given talents by the Lord and they are for the service of others. When we hide what we have been given it remains safe but is of no use to anyone. A talent is given to us to bear fruit, not to lie unused. Hiding our talent is not what God expects of us - others are deprived of the benefits of our talent.

Most of us need a bit of encouragement to place our gifts at the disposal of others. We are called through our Baptism to encourage others, to give others courage. We need to encourage each other to share our talents so that the Church – that includes all of us - may become all that God is calling it, and us, to be.

Dcn Huw ☺

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EXPOSITION and ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT



FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

4.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.

You are invited to come
and spend time in prayer with the
Blessed Sacrament.

World Youth Day 2027
Soeul, South Korea: 3rd – 8th August 2027

Theme: **Take courage!**
I have overcome the world (Jn 16:33)

Kuba Chatkowski will be representing our parish and deanery at the next World Youth Day in 2027. Pope Leo has invited the young people of the world to come and celebrate their faith together.

To help Kuba with his fundraising you are invited to make a donation via his GoFundMe page using this link:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/fundraiser-to-raise-money-for-world-youth-day-in-seoul

Please keep all our young people from the Diocese who will be travelling to World Youth Day 2027, and especially Kuba, in your prayers and help him if you are able.

With thanks and every blessing and prayers, *Fr John*

Reflections to inform our thoughts, prayers and actions on 'Living Simply'

POPE LEO XIV, WORLD DAY OF THE POOR MESSAGE, 2026

In his message for this 10th World Day of the Poor, Pope Leo poses some questions for our reflection:

Are we a sign of a God who is a refuge for the poor?
Are we aware of our own poverty, and do we prefer it to unjust wealth?
Do we go where the poor are, experiencing their marginalisation?
Do we listen to their thoughts and share their hopes?
Do we speak their names with divine tenderness?
Does our charity reawaken and sustain in them the desire for justice and redemption?

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A new Parish Census form is available online via our Parish Website www.stfelixchurch.org.uk or via the QR code displayed in church. Printed copies are also available in the narthex. We are asking you to complete either an online form or a form in church so we can put together an up-to-date data base for our parish.

Be reassured your data will be kept secure and will be held under our Diocesan GDPR rules and will only be used to enable Fr. John and Dcn. Huw to exercise their pastoral ministry and care for our parish.

Please complete or return your Parish Census form as soon as possible, paper copies to Fr John or Deacon Huw. *Thank you.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
Sunday 15th November	ANGELA WILSON	1. Nnenna Ezugwu 2. 3.	?12

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS			
DATE	1st READER	2nd READER	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 14th November	ANGELA	JO	MURRY
Sunday 15th November	MATTHEW	JENNA	Sign-up sheet in narthex
Saturday 21st November	LINDA	ASWIN	ANGELA
Sunday 22nd November	RUTH	FRANCIS	Sign-up sheet in narthex

ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS	
Sunday 15th November	Team 6 MALCOLM and ADARSH
Sunday 22nd November	Team 1 CAROL and DAVE
Please swap with another counter if you are unable to count on your week given on the rota. *Thank you*	

NOVEMBER PRAYERS FOR HOLY SOULS

Envelopes for intentions for Holy Souls during November are available in the narthex.

The basket on the font is for you to place your envelope containing the names of your deceased parents, relatives, friends and all for whom you wish to pray, with any donation you wish to make.

All these intentions will be offered at Masses during the month of November.

November is a time for remembering and praying for our loved ones who have gone before us and whose loss we feel. It is a time when we are particularly conscious of those in our parish who are grieving and all those families who have lost loved ones in the past year.

ADVENT HOUSE MASSES

During Advent, which begins on 28th / 29th November, Fr John is offering to celebrate House Masses on the following evenings. If you wish to host one and invite others to come to your home so you may celebrate together, please speak to Fr John.

The available dates are:

Thursday 3rd December,
Wednesday 9th December,
Wednesday 16th December
and Wednesday 23rd December.

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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'. Particularly remember those who are ill or have health concerns such as cancer, dementia, neurological and mental health issues and any serious health condition. Pray for those on the road to recovery and those on the journey to this life's end. Remember also all who care for and support people who are ill and whose health is compromised.
- Please continue to pray for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and everywhere in the world affected by conflict.
- Pray for people living in any form of poverty.
  Remember the work of REACH and everyone associated with it.
- Pray for people and lands devastated by natural disasters and effects of climate change. Pray that all will work to protect & nurture Creation.
- Pray that all producers of food and commodities receive just treatment and fair recompense for their labour and products.
- Pray that migrants and refugees receive just and compassionate 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 people of our parish, particularly those in care and nursing homes, and the staff and pupils of St Felix School.

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

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Bella Young, Margaret O' Meara, Stuart Beaumont, Lilian Sloper, Daniel Hunt, Mary Tobin, Patrick Healy, Elizabeth Whitehead,

During Autumn (to the Feast of Christ the King) we are asked to pray for: The Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and Their Families, All Victims of War, Young People.

Pope Leo asks us to join him in prayer in November for the proper use of wealth. That not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and of those who have less.

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

Please speak to Fr. John or you can contact

Reach
Community Projects

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.



St Felix Parish Project 2026:

The **Sunflower SEND Hub** in Haverhill offers support services tailored to meet the needs of local children and young people who have SEND - Special Educational Needs and Disabilities – and their families

https://www.sunflowersendhub.org

A resource that the Hub particularly wishes to purchase for the children and young people who come to them is an interactive touch screen. This would help all the children supporting communication, education, social and life skills.



Our 2026 Parish Project is to *raise £1500 towards the cost of an interactive screen for the Sunflower SEND Hub.*

THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY WE ARE NOW WELL OVER HALFWAY TO OUR TARGET

You can donate to this important local service by using the Dona Card Machine and selecting 'Sunflower SEND Hub' or by putting what you can, when you can in the white box in the narthex.
Want to give someone a different Christmas gift?
How about 'the gift of Giving' by making a donation to the Sunflower SEND Hub
on behalf of someone else?

Thank you for your support, Parish J&P Group.

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be NO 10.00 a.m. Masses on the following days:

Tuesday 17th November & Wednesday 18th November
as Fr John is at Clare Priory

Thursday 19th November as Fr. John is away.

PASTORAL PLANNING FOR AN UNCERTAIN WORLD
is a three-day conference in Milton Keynes being run by the School of Synodality from
Monday 23rd November to Wednesday 25th November

Fr John will be attending this important conference as Chair of the Diocesan Evangelisation Commission, so will be away from the parish for these days. There will be NO 10 a.m. Masses on:

Tuesday 24th November & Wednesday 25th November

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, *Special Collections and Second Collections*, CAFOD, *100 Club*, Flowers, *Candles*, Mass Offerings, *Donations,* Parish Project 2026 – Sunflower SEND Hub.

TO CONTACT A PRIEST IN AN EMERGENCY…

If Fr. John is away from the Parish, please contact either:

Bury St Edmunds Parish on 01284 754358.
or Newmarket Parish on 01638 662492
or Clare Parish on 01787 277326
or call 07773 478835. *Thank you.*

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend 7th /8th November 2026

Standing Orders:	£421.00
Collection:	£392.33
Total:	**£813.33**

£95 for our Parish Project supporting the Sunflower SEND Hub – RUNNING TOTAL NOW £965. Thank you for your generous donations. We now only need a further £535 to reach our target.

Second collections coming up

12th/13th December – Diocesan Dependent Priests Fund.
This fund supports our retired priests, those who are ill, and those who are no longer active in ministry.
Please keep them in your prayers, and we give thanks for their years of ministry in our Diocese.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 18th November at 7.30 p.m. in church.

If you have any finance matters or issues with the church building that you wish to raise, please speak to Fr. John or Deacon Huw before the meeting, or email huw.williams@rcdea.org.uk

Thank you.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Please note:

It is a requirement of

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency [CSSA],

which is our church's national safeguarding organisation, that children who need to use the toilet while in church must always be accompanied by an adult.

Thank you.

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 A, Weekday readings Year II]

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Saturday 14th November:	6.30 p.m. Mass	*Joaō (John) De Gouveia RIP*
Sunday 15th November:	10.00 a.m. Mass	*People of the Parish*

Thirty-third week of the Year

Tuesday 17th November:	NO MASS TODAY	
Wednesday 18th November:	NO MASS TODAY	
Thursday 19th November:	NO MASS TODAY	
Friday 20th November:	10.00 a.m. Mass	*Joaō (John) De Gouveia RIP*

JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE – Youth Day

Saturday 21st November:	6.30 p.m. Mass	*People of the Parish*
Sunday 22nd November:	10.00 a.m. Mass	*Private Intention*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions take place on Saturday evening 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