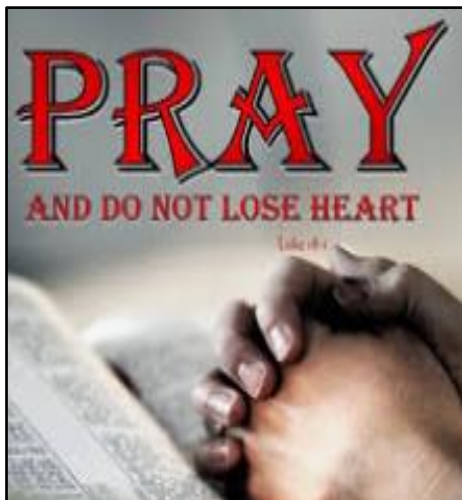




**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,
HAVERHILL**

**TWENTY-NINTH
SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time
World Mission Sunday**

19th October 2025

Psalter – Week 1

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***To contact a priest in an emergency please call 07773 478835**

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Tel: 01440 703775

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 25th October – Angela Rymills, Jo Rowson, Nora Roberts

Saturday 1st November – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu, Anu Anto,

Zina Pereira

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS

Sunday 19th October – Jose Family & Ron White.

Sunday 26th October – Buendia Family

Dear Friends,

The People of God – that is us! – are called to live in a vital and personal relationship with the living God. God tirelessly calls each of us to this mysterious encounter with Himself. This relationship is prayer, a reciprocal call between God and man. The Holy Spirit instructs us in the life of prayer inspiring us to express ourselves based on the basic forms of prayer: blessing, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, and praise.

Those who pray do wonder, at least sometimes, if anyone is listening. It is only people who pray who can ask such questions – if you don't pray then of course no-one can listen.

Prayer is important and Jesus taught us much about praying. In today's Gospel, he tells us that we should persist. Some might think of it as nagging but through perseverance much can be achieved. There was something that the widow wanted, and, despite all his toughness, the judge simply had to give in to her eventually, because she showed no sign of giving up.

After speaking about the evil judge Jesus speaks of his Father: if even the judge gave in to persistence, how much more will our heavenly Father respond to our prayers.

God can read the heart and knows whether we truly need what we are asking of Him. As St Augustine said, we are beggars before God. If we really need something God will grant it.

We must hold up our hands in prayer to God who is our source of power and will give us strength.

Let us pray!



Dcn Huw ☺

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION COURSE FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE IN 2026**

If you are in **year 9 or above at school** you may wish to think about confirmation. You do not have to commit to being confirmed at this stage. The Sacrament of Confirmation is a sign that a person has reached maturity and is now able to take responsibility for their own faith. It also strengthens and deepens the connection to the Church that is established at baptism.

If you would like to take part in the preparation course please contact Deacon Huw for an application form.

**Completed applications to be received by
Dcn. Huw by 30th November 2025**
– the First Sunday of Advent.



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

'A concrete commitment to the poor must also be accompanied by a change in mentality that can have an impact at the cultural level. In fact, the illusion of happiness derived from a comfortable life pushes many people towards a vision of life centered on the accumulation of wealth and social success at all costs, even at the expense of others... Thus, in a world where the poor are increasingly numerous, we paradoxically see the growth of a wealthy elite, living in a bubble of comfort and luxury, almost in another world compared to ordinary people. This means that a culture still persists - sometimes well disguised - that discards others without even realizing it and tolerates with indifference that millions of people die of hunger or survive in conditions unfit for human beings. A few years ago, the photo of a lifeless child lying on a Mediterranean beach caused an uproar; unfortunately, apart from some momentary outcry, similar events are becoming increasingly irrelevant and seen as marginal news items.'

From: The Apostolic Exhortation **DILEXI TE** of The Holy Father Leo XIV
to all Christians on Love for the Poor, 04 October 2025 § 11

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2025 - 19th October

“Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples ”

This Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support



- his charity for world mission.

World Mission Sunday is a globally celebrated moment of grace. It's a chance to pray and give to support our sisters and brothers in Christ who live in areas of poverty, conflict, and oppression.



Missionaries of hope in Myanmar serve a population facing multiple challenges – political, environmental and humanitarian – which have left thousands of people killed or injured and millions displaced from their homes.

Every penny, pound, and prayer you give to Missio helps missionaries everywhere continue their work alongside communities in need in the most remote and troubled parts of our world.

In recalling his missionary experience in Peru, Pope Leo says: *‘When I served as a missionary priest and then bishop in Peru, I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities.’*

To donate:

- A collection basket is on the font & Missio envelopes are available.
- or you may use the dona card machine.
- Visit <https://www.missio.org.uk/donation-details> to give a gift, or set up a Direct Debit.
- Please Gift Aid your donation if possible.

HOPE 2025!

Inviting young people (Year 7+) - especially those preparing for Confirmation, Catechists and Youth Leaders to HOPE 2025!

This is a special event organised by the Diocesan Ignite Team to prepare to celebrate World Youth Sunday later in November in your parishes. It includes live music, inspiring talks, passionate prayer and good food!

St. Johns' Cathedral Narthex, Norwich

Saturday 8th November 2025

2.00 p.m – 8.00 p.m (to include joining the parish vigil Mass)

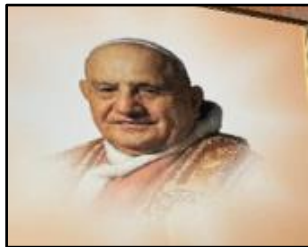
Entry: £5 on the door.

www.rcdea.org.uk/youth



Vatican II and its Popes

In commemoration of the closure of the Second Vatican Council sixty years ago, Fr Adrian Graffy gave a study day entitled 'Vatican II and its Popes' in September 2025, at the Catholic parish of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park. A recording of the study day is now available to view on the *whatgoodnews.org* website.



<https://www.whatgoodnews.org/study-days-1/2025/9/22/vatican-ii-and-its-popes>

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, including Joyce, Allwyn Marchon, Andrea Savage, Jackie Collins, Fr Adrian Gates & Mariam. Please also pray for Anaanais' intentions.
- Please continue to pray for lasting 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 that everyone will do what they can to protect & nurture Creation.
- 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 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 their families and all who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Josephine Fellows, Cyril Best, William Caulfield, Kathleen McGinty, Salvatore Proto, Christopher Hearn, Caroline Beaton, Mercia McFaden

During Autumn we are asked to pray for:

The Harvest, The Care of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and Their Families, All Victims of War and Young People.

Pope Leo asks us to join him in October in praying for:

collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

PARKING FOR SUNDAY MASS

Please remember when parking for Sunday Mass
[Saturday evening and Sunday morning]
**that the small car park opposite the church
is not public parking**, this is for the residents of Blair Parade –
PLEASE DO NOT PARK HERE.

More parking is available, within a 5 minute walk,
on School Lane and outside St Felix School,
and on the street near the church when space is available
(but please do not block residents' drives).

Thank you

ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS

**Sunday 19th
October**

Team 4
RACHEL and IAN

**Sunday 26th
October**

Team 5
MALCOLM and MARIA

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

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

DATE	1st READING	2nd READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 18 October	JO	KAREN	ANGELA
Sunday 19 October	MARITA	JENNA	Sign – up sheet in narthex
Saturday 25 October	ASIN	ASWIN	ANGELA
Sunday 26 October	ALICE	SUE	Sign – up sheet in narthex

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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2026



We run a preparation programme for children in Year 3 or above and their parents each year on Saturday afternoons in term time from **January until June**. We look forward to teaching and supporting the children and parents to develop their understanding of the sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation, and to celebrating with you.

If your child is in Year 3 or above, and you feel they are ready to participate in the programme, you should complete a registration form, which will be available in person from 1st November from Fr John at church. The completed form should be returned to Fr. John by 30th November. Unfortunately, due to limited space and for safety reasons, we have to restrict the number of children we may accept on the programme to twenty. We will only accept official completed forms returned by the deadline, not photocopies.

The St Felix programme is a partnership between the catechists and parents/guardians, and your support at home is vital to your child's learning and engagement.

If anyone has any questions about the programme, please speak to me, Fr John or Deacon Huw.

Mrs Angela Wilson (Parish Catechist)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
Sunday 19 October	CHRISTINE WHITE	1. Mary Mathew 2. 3.	12
26th October & 2nd November	NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Half term Next session Sunday 9th November		

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 but stay to hear the Liturgy of the Word in church.

We are always looking for more adult helpers. If you would like to assist us please speak to Fr. John or Angela Wilson.

Thank you. Angela Wilson.

HYMNS for SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER



969 – Lord of All Hopefulness

940 – Lord for Tomorrow and its Needs

941 – There is a Longing

785 – Though the Mountains May Fall

*Next choir practice on **Tuesday 21st October at 7.00 p.m.***

SAVE THE DATE:

Our parish and others in the Bury St Edmund deanery will come together at the Bishop's invitation and celebrate the work of organisations involved in social outreach at a

[Caritas East Anglia Festival](#) on Saturday 6 December 2025

at St Edmund, King and Martyr Church,,

21 Westgate Street, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 1QG.

from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

If there are charitable social actions or organisations, i.e., people coming together to help improve their lives and solve the problems that are important in their communities, that you would like to see, or think should be represented at the Festival, particularly if you are involved in them yourself, please e-mail your ideas to caritas@rcdea.org.uk now.

The festival will begin with Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter and be followed by refreshments and opportunities to find out about local projects. It will end at 12.15 p.m. with prayer and reflection on the day. ALL WELCOME to attend for part of, or the whole event.

For more information and if you are able to take part please speak to Fr John



DIOCESAN GOLDEN JUBILEE 2026

Next year our Diocese of East Anglia will celebrate its Golden Jubilee.

As part of these celebrations each Parish has been asked to celebrate the past 50 years of the parish. So we at St Felix can celebrate this we need a couple of people to volunteer to gather information and look through our parish archives to set up a couple of celebrations during the year of our Diocesan Jubilee.

If you are interested in helping with this please speak to Fr John or email him at john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk We can also be part of the Diocesan working group to feed in ideas and suggestions for other parishes and for the Diocese to use. *Thank you*

**EXPOSITION and ADORATION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



**FIRST SUNDAY
of EACH MONTH**

4.30 – 6.30 p.m.

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

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Welcome to St. Felix Parish

If you have just moved into the area or have found us for the first time you are most welcome.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church, and would like to find out more please speak to the parish priest, Fr John.

Please do not hesitate to call him on 01440 702156 or email him at john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk

You can also find out more about our parish at www.stfelixchurch.org.uk

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be NO 10 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday [21st/22nd] as Fr. John is at Clare Priory for his monthly Ministry to Priests Group.

There is also NO 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday 23rd as Fr John is at Poringland for the Diocesan Council of Priests Meeting.



CLOCKS CHANGE NEXT WEEKEND

The clocks will go back by 1 hour next weekend, moving us from British Summer Time back to Greenwich Mean Time (officially at 2am on Sunday 26th October)

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend 4th/5th October 2025

Standing Orders: £421.00
Collection: £543.68
Total: **£964.68**

Collection for the weekend 11th/12th October 2025

Standing Orders: £421.00
Collection: £372.28
Total: **£793.28**

£228 for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Second Collections Coming Up

18th/19th October – World Mission Sunday.

A collection will be taken to support the work of Missio

13th/14th December – Diocesan Dependent Priests' Fund

A collection will be taken for this fund which supports our retired priests, those who are ill and those no longer active in ministry. Please keep them all in your prayers and give thanks for their years of ministry in our diocese.

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

Items for the newsletter should be sent to
stfelixhaverhill@rcdea.org.uk
by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter
PLEASE NOTE NEW E.MAIL ADDRESS

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]

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - World Mission Day

Saturday 18th October: 6.30 p.m. Mass

Sunday 19th October: 10.00 a.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

TWENTY-NINTH WEEK of the YEAR:

Tuesday 21st October: NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 22nd October: NO MASS TODAY

Thursday 23rd October: NO MASS TODAY

Friday 24th October: 10.00 a.m. Mass

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 25th October: 6.30 p.m. Mass *Sinto and Vinitha –
Wedding Anniversary thanksgiving*

Sunday 26th October: 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