

PARISH OF ST. FELIX, HAVERHILL

EASTER

Sunday 20th April 2025

Psalter - 'Proper'

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 26th April – Angela Rymills, Jo Rowson, Nora Roberts Saturday 3rd May – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu, Anu Anto

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:

Easter Sunday, 20th April – Michael Bradshaw & Ron White Sunday 27th April – Pat and PJ Sheehy & Annette Field.



Dear Friends,

On this glorious Easter day, we rejoice in the triumph of our Lord Jesus Christ over sin and death. The empty tomb is the sign of God's boundless love and the promise of eternal life for all who believe. As we celebrate the Resurrection, may our hearts be filled with joy, our lives renewed in faith, and our hope strengthened by the Risen Saviour. Let us carry the light of Christ into the world, sharing His love and mercy with all we meet.

May the joy of the Risen Lord bring us peace, and peace for our world, especially to the people of the Holy Land and Ukraine.

Thank you to everyone in our parish community who has helped in any way during the Season of Lent and to help prepare us and our church for Easter.

Wishing you and your families every blessing and joy for Easter and for the 50 days of the Easter Season ahead. May the peace and joy of the Risen Lord be with you today and always.

Alleluia! Happy Easter!

With every blessing and prayers, Fr. John and Dcn. Huw.

PARKING FOR THE EASTER VIGIL

At the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening we gather around the turning circle outside the main church doors, for the beginning of our Vigil. There will be **NO PARKING in this area** and the turning circle must be kept clear of cars.

Thank you for your co-operation.

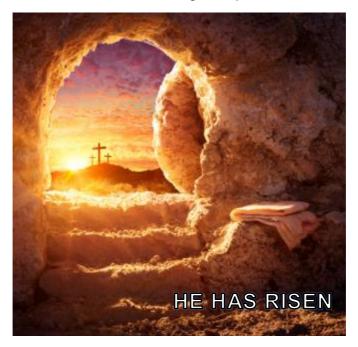
Please remember you can park on School Lane and near St Felix School and walk across to church in a few minutes.

Polish Easter Baskets

Members of our Polish Community are invited to bring Polish Easter baskets filled with symbolic foods, to St Felix Church for blessing at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening at 8 p.m. or at Mass on Easter Sunday at 10 a.m..

HOLY SATURDAY 19th APRIL

The Easter Vigil – 8 p.m.



EASTER SUNDAY 20TH APRIL

Mass for Easter Sunday at 10 a.m.

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

by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter

ENJOY YOUR EASTER GOODIES



But please don't forget to:

- Recycle cardboard boxes in your blue bin (or however your council provides for recycling paper/card)
- Scrunch up clean coloured foil from the eggs and make it into a ball at least the size of a tennis ball then put it in the blue bin with other recyclable items.
- If the foil opens up again when you scrunch it, it is plastic. Do not put it in the blue bin but keep it and put it in an unwanted plastic bag. When this bag is full of other clean <u>soft</u> plastic wrappings take it to the 'Soft plastics' collection container at Tesco or other large supermarket.

Easy, little steps to take to help heal our planet. Thank you

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the first Sunday of the month 4.30 p.m – 6.30 p.m.

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

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 those who are ill, including Gisèle Marçhon and Linette Fernandes, and Elias Gomes, Hilda Fernandes & Dave Morgan who are receiving end of life care. Pray for Pope Francis' continued recovery.
- ➤ 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 people caught up in the devastating earthquake in Myanmar
- 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; especially Remember their families and all who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Patrick Grimley, May Peacock, Isabella Cameron, Helen Boyle,
Ethel Madden, John Kuwalik, John Brown, Arthur Searle,
Leonard Roberts, Alice Drummond, Lillian Saffill.

During Easter we are asked to pray for:

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work, The Right Use of the

Media, The Church, Survivors of Sexual Abuse.

<u>In April Pope Francis asks us to pray</u> for the use of new technologies

Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

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. Crackers
- 2. Noodles
- 3. Crisps
- 4. Milk
- 5. Fruit juice

April 2025



Some Reflections to inform our thoughts and prayers on 'Living Simply'

From a reflection by Stephanie Saldaña (16.04.2025)

For the full reflection visit: https://www.plough.com/en

... it is only in these most difficult years that I have come to know the solace of the cross, the solace of God who never stops loving us. It is in the moments of exhaustion, on more occasions than I can count, that I have remembered Jesus in his last moments, hung in agony, with his arms outstretched and nailed to wooden beams. In this moment he is only love. Deeply himself. Jesus, fully human and fully divine, who sees us.

That is the Jesus I have come to seek, a man of absolute tenderness. I have watched him, in his last hours, quietly making choices. Attentive, present, steady, a witness to the constancy of love. He notices everyone around him. Even as he suffers and dies, he keeps offering his life in love.

... And so, knowing this solace of the cross, the urge comes to live in the world with a little bit more compassion. To offer to lift someone else's heavy bags. To open a door. To bandage a wound. To smile. To call someone by name. To place one's head at the foot of a child's bed after an exhausting day, and sing a lullaby. The urge comes to love not only in response to the violence of the world, but as an end in and of itself. Because that is God loving with us and in us.

ADVANCE NOTICE: ST. FELIX PLANT SALE After Masses on Saturday 31st May & Sunday 1st June Please start preparing your plants and other garden gear.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.

There is NO Children's Liturgy over the Easter holidays and on the First Holy Communion Sundays in May.

THE NEXT CHILDREN'S LITURGY SESSION WILL BE ON 25TH MAY,

PROCLAIM THE WORD SERIES by Fr. Adrian Graffy Talk 2 – 'A RICHER TABLE OF GOD'S WORD'

The second talk in this series is now available, free of charge, on the homepage of www.whatgoodnews.org
Simply scroll down to access.

These talks are prepared for those who have the ministry of Reader in our liturgical celebrations, but are also of interest to anyone who desires to appreciate more fully how the Word of God shapes our liturgical life.



Please pray for the children of our parish, and their families, who are preparing to celebrate

First Holy Communion in May.

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend of 12th/13th April 2025

Standing Orders £421.00
Collection £748.55
Total: £1169.55

CAFOD Myanmar Emergency Appeal - £20

EASTER COLLECTION The collections at our Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Mass is your Easter Gift to our clergy.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS					
DATE	1 st READING	2 nd READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		
Thurs. 17 th April Maundy Thursday Friday 18 th April Good Friday Sat. 19 th April Easter Vigil Sun. 20 th April Easter Sunday	_	FOLLOWING SEPARATE ROTA FOR THE TRIDUUM & EASTER SUNDAY			
Saturday 26 th April	JO	VIOLET	ANNE		
Sunday 27 th April	SALLY	RAYMOND	Sign – up sheet In narthex		

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

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]

EASTER TIME:

Saturday 19th April: **HOLY SATURDAY**

8.00 p.m. The EASTER VIGIL in the

HOLY NIGHT

Sunday 20th April: <u>EASTER SUNDAY</u>

6.00 p.m. Syro Malabar Rite Mass

10.00 a.m. Mass People of the Parish

EASTER OCTAVE:

Tuesday 22nd April: NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 23rd April: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Private Int.*

Thursday 24th April: 10.00 Mass

Friday 25th April: 10.00 Mass

SECOND WEEK of EASTER (or OF DIVINE MERCY)

Saturday 26th April: 2.30 p.m. Syro Malabar Rite Mass

6.30 p.m. Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 27th April: 10.00 a.m. Mass

PLEASE NOTE There will be **NO** 10 a.m. Mass on Tuesday 22nd April, Easter Tuesday, as Fr John is away. Also, there will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament or Confessions on Saturday 26th April before the 6.30 p.m. Saturday Mass.

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