



**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,  
HAVERHILL**

**THE EIGHTH  
SUNDAY  
in ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025**

**Psalter – Week 4**

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**CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Alan Kent, Mike Bradshaw, Ann O’Flanagan, Helen Burns**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Sheila Dooley, Mary Dooley, Christine White**

**SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Pat & PJ Sheehy and Annette Field**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March – Baiju & Sonia Varghese and Ian Blythe**

Dear Friends,

As we continue to pray for peace across our world and especially in the Middle East and Ukraine, we remember everyone who is caught up in conflict, those who have lost their lives, those who mourn, those who are injured, those who have lost homes and livelihoods, those who have had to travel away from their homeland. We also pray for Pope Francis as he continues to receive treatment and care in hospital; that the Lord will continue to bless him with peace and healing love.

This coming week we begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, and as we enter into our Lenten journey and try and keep the Lent promises we make for ourselves, we are reminded today by Jesus in the Gospel with these extraordinary examples for us about how we need to take a moment to look at ourselves and our hearts without getting caught up in making judgments of others. Jesus presents to us one blind person leading another and the attempt to remove the speck in someone's eye when there is a log in our own. Again, as is so often the case with Jesus' illustrations they are exaggerated. Over the days of Lent, we can recognise what can be stopping us from clear and right vision and from making the correct judgments. If God, who really does see what is in our hearts, acts with such generosity, understanding and compassion, this as we know should always be the way we are called to be with everyone. We find this from what we have today as a short, well prepared, first reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus, which gives us some clear images illustrating how we can know the values a person has by what they say and do. In this short reading and in the Gospel, we are reminded that what we should say is always from the heart and what is in our hearts should guide what we say. Get the heart right and everything else falls into place.

This we can take with us into the season of Lent as an aid to help and guide us, as we make our journey through Lent to the most important days of the year when we enter into the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, especially when we celebrate the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday – Good Friday – Easter Vigil) leading us to the joy of the Easter Season.

With every blessing and prayers

*Fr John*

✠ **TREVOR WEED RIP**

Please remember and pray for the repose of the soul of Trevor Weed who died on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February.  
May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray for Trevor and also pray for, and with, his wife Ann, for their friends and all who worked with Trevor and Ann at Sainsburys in Haverhill.

✠ **CYRUS LAROSE RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Cyrus Larose who died peacefully at home recently.  
May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray with and for Cyrus' family at this sad time.

**The Funeral Mass for Cyrus will be celebrated at St Felix Church on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 10 a.m followed by a short committal service at Haverhill Cemetery.**

**All are welcome to come and pray for Cyrus and for and with his family.**

**ST FELIX DAY QUIZ NIGHT**

To celebrate our Parish and School Patron Saint, Saint Felix of Dunwich, whose feast day is on March 8<sup>th</sup>, you are invited to come to our St Felix Day Quiz Night

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.**

**Kedington Community Centre  
Great Meadow, Arms Lane, CB9 7QQ**

**£2 per person (payment on the night).**

**Teams of 6, or come along and make a team on the night.**

**Please bring your own food and drink.**

Please sign up for our Quiz Night using the form in the narthex.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to

[stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com)

by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter



*Haverhill*  
**Singers**

and



**PRESENTS**

Karl Jenkins'  
extraordinary opus:

# The ARMED MAN

A Mass For Peace

**St Mary's Church, High St,  
Haverhill, CB9 8AX.**

**22nd March 2025 @ 7pm**



scan to book  
on-line

**Tickets on the door at £15\***

**Or book on-line**

**@[www.haverhillsingers.org](http://www.haverhillsingers.org)**

**Call: 07702 310044**

**or 07765 087424**

**\*Accompanied children under 16 F.O.C.**

## 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 - Linette Fernandes, Gisèle Marçhon, Dave Morgan and Elias Gomes who is receiving end of life care.  
Pray for the intentions of Francis Xavier Correirra and Aidan Marçhon and the Marçhon family.
- 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 the effects of climate change.
- 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:**

**Doris Fish, Maria Ramsey, Charles Barker, Lilian Sizer, Frederick Gore,**

**Josephine Scullion, Eva Wilkinson, Margaret Forth.**

**During Lent we are asked to pray for:**

**Candidates for the Sacraments, the Needy and Hungry of the World, the World Day of Prayer, Penitents and Wanderers**

**In March Pope Francis asks us to pray for Families in Crisis.**

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**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](mailto:info@reachhaverhill.org.uk)**

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

February 2025

**TOP 5** Items needed this week:

- Coffee: 
- Tinned fruit: 
- Long-life milk: 
- Long-life juice: 
- sponge pudding: 

 Haverhill Foodbank Together with Trussell 

## Some Thoughts On 'Living Simply'

An important aspect of our striving to live simply is taking time out to pray and reflect.

As we enter the season of Lent, an important time of reflection and prayer in the Church's year, we offer as a suggestion exploring *The God Who Speaks* website from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales. A starting point for reflection and prayer could be:

[www.godwhospeaks.uk/a-time-for-everything-do-it-yourself-retreat/](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk/a-time-for-everything-do-it-yourself-retreat/)

After that you may want to let your curiosity get the better of you and click on other headings in other areas of the site. It won't be a waste of time!



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this  
Sunday, March 2nd, 4.30 p.m – 6.30 p.m.**

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

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	MARY MATHEW	1. Christine White 2. David Summerville 3. ?	18

Children's Liturgy is for children who attend **Reception class and Years 1, 2 and 3**, so that 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 remain in the main church and not attend Children's Liturgy. We have a side room that can be used for younger children and their adult carer, if they need some space to move about.

The ratio of DBS-checked adults to children is 1:6 for our age group, so the number of children who are permitted to attend depends upon the number of adult helpers we have and the space available in the Narthex. We have a registration system before Mass where parents should sign their children in and they are given a registration card, which should be brought to the session on that day. Those without a card may need to be sent back to the main church if we are over-crowded. Children should register each time that they come to Mass.

We are always looking for more adult helpers, so if you would like to assist us and are willing to have a Disclosure and Barring Check please speak to Fr John or Angela Wilson. *Thank you. Angela Wilson*

### **FR ANTHONY'S DIAMOND JUBILEE**

*Fr Anthony Foreman celebrates the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025.*

*Fr Anthony has been a good friend to St Felix many times in the past.*

*He is concelebrating Mass*

*on **WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH – 12 midday***

***OUR LADY & ST ETHELDREDA CHURCH, NEWMARKET***

Fr Anthony sends an open invitation to anyone from St Felix who may wish to attend his celebration on the 12<sup>th</sup>.



## HYMNS for SUNDAY 2nd MARCH 2025



898 - Make me a Channel of Your  
Peace

605 - Take Our Bread

874 - Take My Life

979 - O the Word of my Lord

*Next choir practice in preparation for Lent and Easter  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 p.m. in Church*

Anyone who wishes to join with the choir on Sundays and at practices  
is very welcome.

## 2025 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



We are hosting this year's World Day of Prayer for the Haverhill and  
district churches on **FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 4.00 p.m.**

The 2025 focus country is **COOK ISLANDS.**

The women of the Cook Islands have prepared the worship service  
which will be the basis for the wave of 24 hours of global prayer.

The theme they have chosen is

***I HAVE MADE YOU WONDERFUL.***

*(Inspired by psalm 139)*

**Please be part of this global wave of prayer by attending  
the service *Thank you.***

## LENT, HOLY WEEK and EASTER 2025



On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Ash Wednesday, we begin the Season of Lent. We will have 40 days of Lent ahead of us leading us to the most sacred and faith filled days of the year – **The Easter Triduum:- Holy Thursday - Good Friday –**

**The Easter Vigil**, taking us from Lent into the Season of Easter to celebrate the Risen Jesus.

As we prepare to pray together through Lent we remember everyone in our parish community, we pray for our wider community and especially for peace for many in our world experiencing conflict and violence, particularly in the Middle East and the Holy Land, and in Ukraine. We are invited in this Jubilee Year to be Pilgrims of Hope seeking forgiveness and growing in repentance, by reflecting on God's call to reach out to those in need and by sharing hope with others. May our journey together through Lent help us to share the message of this Jubilee Year with everyone. We continue to pray for Pope Francis, may he be given strength, courage and healing, and we pray for all who are caring for Pope Francis.

### Ash Wednesday - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Mass in St Felix Church will be celebrated at 10 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

### 'Walk with Me' Lent Booklet

Copies of 'Walk with Me' for Lent are available for a donation in the Narthex. They have an introduction by Bishop Peter and offer a reflection for each day of Lent. Please pick up a copy.

### Lent House Masses

This Lent you can offer to host one of our weekly Lent House Masses. Mass will be celebrated at 7.30 p.m. If you are able to offer your home to welcome other people to come to celebrate with you on one of the following dates, please speak to Fr John as soon as possible. Thank you. **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March; Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March; Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March; Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March; Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April; Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April.**

### Children's Liturgy for Lent

During Lent our Children's Liturgy Group will help our children to prepare for Easter during our 10 a.m. Sunday Mass.

### **Stations of the Cross**

During Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed in church on **Fridays** before the 10 a.m. Mass at **9.30 a.m.** and on **Good Friday evening, 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to come along.

### **CAFOD Jubilee Year 2025 Reflections - 'Pilgrims of Hope'**

On Thursday mornings after our 10 a.m. Mass you are welcome to share in a short time of reflection on this Jubilee Year of 2025 using a resource prepared by CAFOD reflecting on what it means to be 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

**These times of reflection will be on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March.**

All are welcome to come along and share your thoughts and have time to reflect on this Jubilee Year.

### **World Day of Prayer – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 4 p.m.**

St Felix is hosting the 2025 Ecumenical World Day of Prayer service  
All are welcome.

### **Parish Feast Day of St Felix – 8<sup>th</sup> March**

Come and celebrate our Parish Saint over the weekend of 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> March at our Sunday Masses

### **CAFOD Lent Fast Day - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

Pray with CAFOD and their partners around the world on this day. Envelopes will be available in the Narthex for CAFOD Lent Fast Day  
There will be a collection for CAFOD at Masses on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March / Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March

### **Children's Mass for Lent – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March – 10 a.m**

All are welcome to come and pray with our children and their families at our Children's Mass for Lent

### **Deanery Station Mass – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 7 p.m.**

Bishop Peter will celebrate our Deanery Station Mass at 7 p.m. in the Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Etheldreda, 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket CB8 8LT  
Adoration and Confessions will be available from 6 p.m.  
Refreshments will be available after Mass.  
All are welcome to come and celebrate together with clergy and parishioners from across our Deanery

**Refreshments after Sunday morning Mass – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April**

All are welcome to stay and chat over a cuppa or a cold drink after the 10 a.m. Parish Mass

**Mayor's Thanksgiving Service – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 3 p.m.  
in St Felix Church**

Come and join with our Town Mayor and Parishioner Dave Smith to give thanks for his service as our Mayor for the past year (two years) and to welcome Civic and Ecumenical guests at a special Thanksgiving Service. All are welcome.

Refreshments will be available after the service.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

During Lent there will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Saturday 5.45 p.m to 6.15 p.m or by arrangement with Fr John.

**Lent Reconciliation Service**

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m. we welcome some of our local priests to celebrate our Lent Reconciliation Service with us.

Please come along and pray together and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



**Holy Week**

**Palm Sunday - 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Mass at St Felix Church  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30 p.m.  
Sunday 13 April at 10 a.m.

**Tuesday of Holy Week 15<sup>th</sup> April – 11.30 a.m.**

Chrim Mass in Norwich at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist

**Wednesday of Holy Week 16<sup>th</sup> April – 10 a.m.**

Mass in St Felix Church

# Triduum



## **MAUNDY THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

Children's Service – 3 p.m. St Felix Church.

**Mass of The Lord's Supper – 7.30 p.m. St Felix Church**

Watching until 10.30 p.m. ending with Night Prayer

## **GOOD FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

Ecumenical Procession of Witness – 10 a.m.

Commencing from the Old Independent Church, Haverhill, CB9 8EE to the Market Place to join with fellow Christians in an Act of Worship

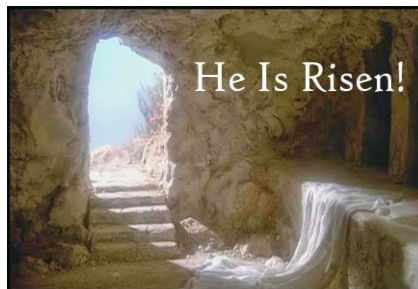
Children's Service – 12 noon St Felix Church

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3.p.m. St Felix Church**

Stations of the Cross – 7.30 p.m. St Felix Church

## **HOLY SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

The Easter Vigil – 8 p.m. St Felix Church



## **EASTER SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

Mass for Easter Sunday – 10 a.m. St Felix Church

## **INTER FAITH DIALOGUE**

An edited recording of the talk given by Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald at Gidea Park parish is now available on the website [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

The Cardinal explained how the Second Vatican Council encourages dialogue with people of other faiths, and described especially the contribution of Pope Francis to this work.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February marked the third anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. On this date Ukrainian Christians supported by people of many faiths held a national day of prayer. We are asked to continue to stand with the people of Ukraine and to pray for God to change hearts and steer negotiations towards a just peace.

## **A CAFOD PRAYER FOR UKRAINE**

Loving God,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom  
to guide their choices.

We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.

Amen.

**PARISH FINANCES**

**Collection for the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025**

Standing Orders	£421.00
Collection	£612.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£1033.00</b>

**Forthcoming Second Collections:**

14<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day

15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – Cafod Collection

18<sup>th</sup> April 2025, Good Friday – Holy Land Shrines  
Collection to support the Holy Places of Palestine

**Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.**

***AFTER MASS REFRESHMENTS  
THIS SUNDAY***



*Hosted by  
Joan and Sharon*

*Please stay for a cuppa and a  
chat after 10.00 a.m. Mass*

**READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

DATE	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>nd</sup> READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>KAREN</b>	<b>JO</b>	<b>ANGELA</b>
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>ADEMIDE</b>	<b>AARON</b>	Sign up list In narthex
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>LINDA</b>	<b>VIOLET</b>	<b>ANNE</b>
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>MARITA</b>	<b>JENNA</b>	Sign up list In narthex

