

ST FELIX MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS
[All Masses are celebrated in church & live-streamed]

Link for Live Streamed Masses is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeHq3Ww93rfGfMGzXS25A2w/>

Pentecost Sunday

SATURDAY 22nd MAY: 6.30 p.m.

Members of our Parish who are sick and/or in need in some way

SUNDAY 23rd MAY: 10.00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

Eighth Week of the Year

St. Bede the Venerable

TUESDAY 25th MAY: 7.30 p.m.

Deceased members of the Parish RIP.

FRIDAY 28th MAY: 10.00 a.m.

John Shepherd RIP

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

SATURDAY 29th MAY: 6.30 p.m.

The People of the Parish

SUNDAY 30th MAY: 10.00 a.m.

In Thanksgiving Int

CAFOD EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR INDIA

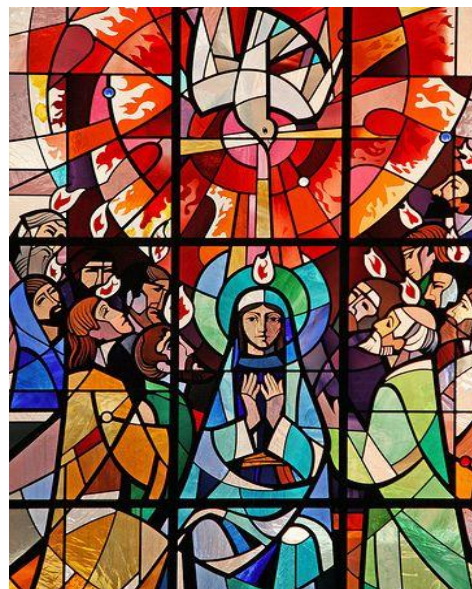
As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities.

Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India:

- distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers,
- promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns,
- and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres.

You can donate online at: cafod.org.uk/give

Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.



PARISH OF ST. FELIX

**PENTECOST
SUNDAY**

23rd May 2021

[Psalter Week 4]

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*If you wish to contact a priest in an emergency please call 07773 478835

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Head of School: Mrs. A. Dodds

WHEN ATTENDING MASS & SERVICES IN OUR CHURCH
Please check and follow St Felix's Covid security requirements

CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS:
Saturday 29th May – Mary and Christine
Saturday 5th June – Mary and Angela

Dear Friends,

Jesus foretold that he would send the Holy Spirit on his disciples, and this weekend we celebrate that coming of the Spirit at Pentecost.

Genesis tells us that the Spirit was in the world from the beginning of creation: the Spirit moved upon the face of the waters when God first made heaven and earth. In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit is mentioned as coming to only a few particular people, often just people marked out for some particular purpose by God. But after Christ sends the Spirit at Pentecost, the Spirit comes on every Christian.

As the second reading explains, every person who says (and believes) that Jesus is Lord has the Holy Spirit dwelling in them. Why then do we not act as people who have God within us? Like anything planted so deep, the Spirit's presence must have time to make its way into our actions, our words, and our deeds. Whenever we find charity or joy in ourselves, or patience and kindness, or the ability to endure hardship and injuries, or occasions when we are mild and modest, at these times we can believe that the Holy Spirit is at work within us.

By God's Spirit, that dwells in us, we are made one with our risen Lord. His peace remains with us because he himself is with us, always, as he promised. It is not apparent as powerful winds and tongues of fire, but it is the same Spirit of Jesus and of the Father - the one we celebrate at Pentecost: the birthday of the Church.

Dcn Huw ☺

An Update on Masses in St Felix Church

All of our Masses: Tuesday at 7.30 p.m., Friday at 10 a.m., Saturday at 6.30 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. are open to all to attend in church. Current Covid restrictions continue and we are restricted to 80 people in household groups [less when more social distancing space is required for smaller groups/individuals] in church. However, outside space is available under cover for an additional 30 people. **We have plenty of room at our weekday Masses and also at our Saturday evening Mass.** All our Masses continue to be live streamed on our YouTube channel.

The link for our live streamed Masses is:

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

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

Your weekly offering to the church is essential to our parish. There are collection plates by the doors for your weekly offering to the parish when you attend Mass.

However, it would be a great help if you could set up a standing order for your regular payment to the parish. You can also make single payments through your bank.

The parish bank details are:-

Account name: **ST FELIX CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

Sort code: **60-10-21**

Account number: **90018850**

Reference: **'Your name'**

**If you Gift-Aid your donations to the church
add 'GA' and the number on your payment envelope to the
reference e.g. Baggins-GA598**

There are still a few new Gift Aid Envelopes for 21/22, for people who do not pay through the bank, available in church. Please ask a steward to get yours for you when you are in church. *Thank you*

Live Streaming from St Felix Church

Currently our live streamed Masses on our Parish YouTube Channel are from my mobile phone. We did get a quote for a permanent system to be installed in our church, and now we need to fund-raise to enable this to happen. A permanent system would be more secure and provide better quality sound and pictures, and also could be available outside normal published Mass times, and at times when I am not in the parish. This will make sure all who are currently using our Live Streaming can continue to do so and others can make use of this important part of our parish mission.

To install this system we need to upgrade the current internet and broadband connection to the church. The cost of this plus installation will be in the region of £7000. Any donations to enable this to take place during the coming months are very welcome.

If you wish to make a donation for the permanent live streaming system in church, please place your donation in an envelope marked **'Live streaming'**, or if you pay directly into the parish account please use the reference **'Live Stream'**. **We have made a good start with donations so far amounting to £1366.49.**
Thank you. Fr John

An Act of Spiritual Communion



*My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Holy Sacrament of the altar.
I love you above all things and I passionately
desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come spiritually into my heart
so that I may be united wholly to you
now and forever. Amen.*

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LITURGY of the WORD

[Sunday readings – YEAR B, weekday readings – YEAR 1]

Pentecost Sunday [23.05.2021]

- 1st reading: *They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.*
Acts chapter 2 verses 1-11
- Psalm: *Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.*
Psalm 103 verses 1, 24, 29-31, 34.
- 2nd reading: *In the one Spirit we were all baptised*
1 Corinthians chapter 12 verses 3-7, 12-13
- Gospel: *As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.*
The Gospel according to John, chapter 20 verses 19-23.

Tuesday in the Eighth Week of the Year [25.05.2021]

Memorial of St Bede the Venerable [Priest and Doctor of the Church]

- 1st reading: 1 Corinthians chapter 2 verses 10-16
- Psalm: *Lord, teach me your statutes*
Psalm 118 verses 9-14
- Gospel: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 7 verses 21-29

Friday in the Eighth Week of the Year [28.05.2021]

- 1st reading: Ecclesiasticus chapter 44 verses 1, 9-13
- Psalm: *The Lord takes delight in his people*
Psalm 149 verses 1-6, 9
- Gospel: The Gospel according to Mark chapter 11 verses 15-19

Stewarding at Mass:

Anyone who has previously been a steward for any of our Masses and wishes to do so again, or new people who would like to volunteer, please speak to Fr John, Deacon Huw or Michael Bradshaw as soon as you feel able to do so.

I wish to thank all our stewards for their service and commitment and for keeping us all safe while we are in and around the church for our celebration of Mass.

Fr. John

ST FELIX 100 CLUB

We would like to thank all the paid-up members very much for their participation and support. We do need more members to pay as at the current level we are not able to raise the funds for the parish we normally do. However, we have still raised £850.00 during this very strange year.

I will be pleased to recruit new members if anyone would like to join - either drop me an email or leave money in an envelope with your name, tel. number and address in the 100-club box at church. I will then provide you with a membership number.

Annual subs are due in June

While it is not currently possible for us to stand in church collecting money, a box for 100 club money is on the table as you leave. Please leave money, cheque or cash, in an envelope with your name and number and put it in the box.

Remember if you normally pay annually you can pay £60.00 electronically to the church bank account: **Please email me if you pay electronically** - joe@bullfarm.co.uk and I will update the book as required.

Bank Details for electronic payments:

St Felix Catholic Parish,
National Westminster Bank,

Bank Account Number: 90032055 Sort code: 60 10 21
Reference: 100 club + your number [if known]

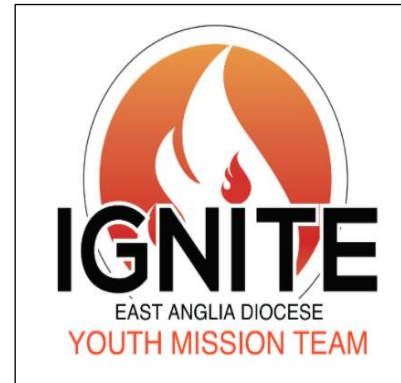
CHILDREN'S LITURGY & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Dear parents and children,

I hope you are all keeping well and that the resources sent with this newsletter will enable you to share some special time together, with Jesus, in your homes. Keep safe and well.

Please continue to remember our children who are preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in the summer, and their families, in your prayers.

Angela Wilson [Children's Liturgy Group] & Fr. John



Join the IGNITE Team for a Year

A year with the Ignite Team can be a life-changing experience - living as a residential community, sharing the Gospel as well as developing new and transferable skills working with children and young people. Accommodation and food are provided along with a monthly allowance of £200. Ideal as a gap year (can be extended).

Applications are open for 18-29 year olds to join us in September 2021! We also welcome enquiries from those interested in joining in September 2022.

A year with Ignite is suited to all sorts of people including those who have just **finished school, college or university** or those looking to try something new or different for a year. Perhaps you would like to **gain experience working with young people** or feel you could benefit from giving a year to serve God and others.

To apply visit www.rcdea.org.uk/youth/igniteteam/ or email Ciaran on igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk for more info.

AND YET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR PARISH...

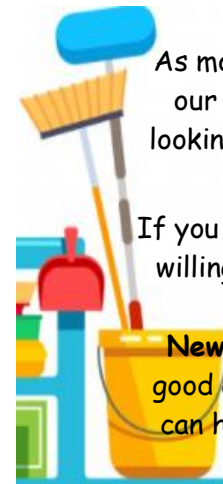
CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

As more of us return to church for Mass the members of our cleaning team are working hard to keep our church looking its best. Currently the team consists of about half the people we would like to do this job.

If you have previously helped with this service and would be willing to continue when you feel able to return to church please let Jo Rowson know.

New volunteers will be most welcome - the company is good and the work easy and quick with many hands! If you can help please contact Fr. John, Dcn Huw or Jo Rowson.

Thank you



A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

Happy Feast Day of Pentecost, come Holy Spirit and inspire us. We come to the end of the Easter Season. We ask the Holy Spirit to give us hope and to bring healing and love to all are affected around the world by the pandemic, and especially all who have lost their lives. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Latest Covid changes from the Bishops of England & Wales

Following the government roadmap step 3 taken last Monday, 17 May, the Bishops Conference have given further guidance on how we can continue to celebrate together at Mass in church safely. The general Covid rules continue to remain in place - The changes which we need to be aware of from this weekend for Masses are: While Holy Communion remains only under one kind (the host) at Holy Communion, when we receive the host, myself or Deacon Huw will say 'The Body of Christ' to each person and you can reply 'Amen'. Communion is recommended to be distributed in the hand, but if people wish to receive on the tongue, then they should wait until the end of the communion line and receive then. Please just let the steward know when you are invited up for Holy Communion if you wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue. Further changes will be introduced as we move fully out of lockdown.

Please continue to keep everyone in our parish family, in our wider communities, across our country and world; our families and friends very much in your prayers, as I will also. We especially keep our NHS and its dedicated hard-working staff in our prayers. Keep safe over the days and weeks to come and continue to keep an eye out for anyone who is struggling or needs help and support as we continue our journey together through the various challenges of the pandemic.

If you need to speak with myself or Deacon Huw, please call me on 01440 704142 or Deacon Huw on 07399 163718. Please do not hesitate if you need to contact one of us.

Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers for Pentecost. Keep safe.

Fr John and Dcn Huw

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

If you have hope, this will make you cheerful. Do not give up if trials come; and keep on praying. [Romans 12:12]

[Please send prayer intentions to linda.pector@gmail.com]

- Pray for all who are sick in any way and those who care for them, people who are alone, and those who are anxious or troubled.
- Pray for all people affected in anyway by Covid-19, especially at this time, the people of India, and their family members and friends who are members of our own communities.
- Pray for the repose of the souls of all we know and love who have died, and for the comfort of those who grieve.
- Pray for peace and for peacemakers in all areas where there is conflict, discrimination and a denial of justice and human rights.
- Pray especially for peace in the Holy Land and for a just and lasting solution to the Israel/Palestine situation.
- Pray for Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe, her family, and all people unjustly imprisoned and detained.
- Pray for our children preparing to celebrate the Eucharist for the first time in the summer, and their families
- Pray for Fr. John, Dcn, Huw and all the people of our parish.

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

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

William Brierly, James Donovan, Catherine Williams, John McGlue,
Sheila McLoughlin, Louisa Lee, Mary Howell.

During Easter, we are asked to pray for:

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

In May, **Pope Francis** asks us to join him in praying for

The world of finance:

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with
governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens
from its dangers.

Re CHURCH FLOWERS:



You can help with the provision of flowers in St Felix Church by sponsoring a flower arrangement for a particular weekend in memory of a loved one or celebration of a particular occasion. If you would like to do this then please leave a donation in the appropriately dated envelope which you will find in the blue box on the table at the side entrance to the church. On the envelope, please write your name, contact number (in case required) and the person(s) for whom the flowers are to be dedicated or occasion to be celebrated.

Thank you very much, Dave Arnold [Co-ordinator Flower Arranging Team]

HELP NEEDED WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- **'Groups' of 2 people to count and record the weekly collection, in church after Sunday Mass.**
- **Someone to bank the money each week via the Post Office as the nearest branch of NatWest (parish bank) is in Newmarket.**
- **People to wash and iron the altar linen.**

If you can help with any of these important jobs please contact
Fr. John or Deacon Huw.

Thank you.



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We are looking to recruit a foundation governor for the St. Felix school Governing Body.

Being a governor gives you the opportunity to help shape and guide the progress of St Felix School in the years to come. We are especially looking for people with skills in finance, marketing, curriculum enhancement, IT or fundraising.

Below you will find further information about being a governor but ***if you have questions or are interested in working with us, please contact Fr. John.***

The role of the St Felix Governing Body.

The school is a member of Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Multi Academy Trust and the school governing body undertakes those responsibilities delegated to school level by the Trust board.

The composition of the Governing Body

There are 6 Foundation governors appointed by the Diocese of East Anglia, 2 parent governors and 2 staff governors including the Head of School: 10 governors in total.

Time involved.

Meetings of the Governing Body are held twice a term from 5:30-7:00 p.m. (approx.). You will be supported through access to training sessions, on specific topics. You will be expected to visit school as part of the monitoring processes, so that you feel confident knowing how the school is running. You will need to spend some time reading the agenda, the minutes and other papers to prepare for a meeting. Governor appointments are for a period of four years.

Do I get paid for being a governor?

All school governors are unpaid volunteers.

Conditions on becoming a governor.

Foundation Governors must be Catholic, over 18 years of age; not be bankrupt, nor have served a long prison sentence nor have been disqualified from working with children. All governors are required to sign a declaration to this effect and a DBS check will be carried out. Foundation governors have to be approved by the parish priest and Diocese.

Ron aimed his camera lower this week and caught this beautiful 'bow in the clouds', the sign of the covenant between God and all living things.

[cf. Genesis 9:16]



ST FELIX PLANT SALE 2021

Planned date: **SUNDAY 20th JUNE**
in the church grounds

Please grow and donate plants for the sale.

Some plants may be ready for sale before 20th June – it's hard to say at the moment as the very cold April has set a lot of plants back.

If some things are ready before then you can contact either Joan or myself by e-mail:

joan.hefford@gmail.com
carparecool@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you. Keep growing.
Sharon Copperthwaite



WALKING IN THE SPIRIT



Holy Spirit come into our lives.

Open our ears -

to hear what you are saying to us in the things that happen to us, in the people we meet

Open our eyes -

to see the needs of the people around us.

Open our hands -

to do our work well, to help when help is needed.

Open our lips -

to tell others the good news of Jesus and to bring comfort, happiness and laughter to other people.

Open our minds -

to discover new truth about you and the world.

Open our hearts -

to love you and all others as you have loved us in Jesus.

To you, with our Father and the Son: all honour and praise be given, now and forever.

Amen.