

**PARISH OF ST. FELIX
HAVERHILL**



**FIFTH SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time -
Racial Justice Day**

Sunday 5th February 2023

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Psalter – Week 1

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS:

Saturday 11th February – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu & Anu Anto

Saturday 18th February – Jili Jijo, Stella Melvin, Diony Shibu & Bindhu Roy

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:

Sunday 5th February – Baiju & Sonia Varghese and Ian Blythe

Sunday 12th February – Jose Family and Ron Hefford

Dear Friends,

The quiet practice of virtue was the hallmark of the saints, who never published their holiness, but just tried to remain close to God, in a spirit of "loving attentive expectancy," as St John of the Cross put it.

This spirit marked the life of saint Thérèse of Lisieux, who died at the age of 24, after living as an enclosed nun from her teenage years. Some of the other nuns thought that Thérèse had achieved nothing at all in her short life. Yet within a generation, this young nun who had never left her convent was proclaimed Patroness of the Foreign Missions. Even from her cloister she let her light shine out. Reflecting on the three virtues that last, faith, hope and love, Thérèse saw prayerful love as her special mission in life. "In the heart of the Church," she said, "I shall be love." From that loving spirit the grace of God was richly channelled out to the missionary world.

Tyranny and oppression still flourish in many places abroad and closer to home. Unfairness and structural abuse often stare us in the face: long-term poverty, unemployment and homelessness. Christ invites us into solidarity with people who are in dire need.

How seriously do we take Jesus' challenge to be 'Salt of the earth' and to shine some Light in our world? St Thérèse shows us that we can truly make a difference through even the littlest things that we can do for others. Ripples from even the smallest actions can and will radiate out from this around the world! We can all add flavour to the lives of others and shed light into their dark times. Saint (Mother) Teresa of Kolkota said "You change the world one person at a time."

Dcn. Huw ☺



Inviting all young people in Year 9 and above to 'Flame' at Wembley Arena

The Diocesan Youth Service is excited to be taking a group to 'Flame' on March 4th. Flame is the largest Catholic gathering of young people in the UK, coming together to experience the best in international speakers, artists, and performers.

For details and to book a ticket and a place on the coach, please see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Bookings must be received by 12th February.



THIS WEEK'S LEADERS & HELPERS

DATE	LEADER(S)	ADULT HELPERS	YOUNG HELPERS(12+)	CHILD Nos.
5 th FEBRUARY 2023	Children's Mass this week - NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY			

TODAY IS RACIAL JUSTICE DAY

The theme for this year is:

***'All are included in the mission of Christ and his Church.
Let us walk together, pray together and work together.'***

A prayer to use today and throughout the year:

*God of our past, present and future,
you created each one of us in your image and likeness,
help us to recognise you in each person.
As we pray for an end to suffering caused by racism
lead us this day to walk with one another,
pray with one another and work together,
so that we create a future based on justice and healing,
where all can fulfil the hope you have for all peoples.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*



THIS SUNDAY - 5TH FEBRUARY

Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits
after 10 a.m. Mass.

Please stay for a cup and a chat

Sunday 5th February 10 a.m.

Welcome Mass

for our First Holy Communion Children and families

Our 10 a.m. Mass this Sunday is a Children's Mass as we welcome our children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, and their families.

Everyone is welcome to come and pray with and for our young people and their families.

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE
and all places of conflict around the world

Lord, send us the gift of peace

Watch over the people of Ukraine, and in all places of conflict
Who face violence and fear,
Have been separated from loved ones and have lost their
homes and homelands.

Lord, send us the gift of peace.

Lead them to a place of safety,
Comfort those who grieve and bring healing to those in pain.

Lord, send us the gift of peace.

Convert the hearts of those who commit violence and wage war
Turn them away from persecution towards peace.

Lord, send us the gift of peace.

Turn hatred to understanding and anger to compassion.
Through your love, transform horror into hope.

Lord, send us the gift of peace.

And fill us all with your Spirit,
So that with one voice, throughout the world,
We may cry out:

Lord, send us the gift of peace.

Catherine Gorman/CAFOD (slightly adapted)

HYMNS

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 05.02.2023

317 – Father, in My Life I See

971 – Father, I Place into Your Hands

865 – I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

878 - You Shall Go Out With Joy



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 all people who have requested prayers through our 'Intentions Book'
- Please remember in your prayers members of our Parish who are housebound or being cared for in our local care and nursing homes.
- Pray for people who are lonely, or separated from family and friends
- Pray for peace in our world, especially in Ukraine, and for wise and just decisions from world leaders.
- Pray for all those people and environments severely affected by climate change. Pray that national leaders will work together responsibly and lead their nations in reducing 'greenhouse gases'.
- Pray for people whose income is insufficient to meet their needs, especially those who are our local neighbours. Remember the work of 'REACH' in your prayers.
- 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 we know and love who have died, and for those who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Susannah Roebuck, Ian Wade, Eva Wilkinson, William Barry,
Anne-Marie Sheard, Rosa Jack, Frank Everett, Fr. Michael Teader,
Joseph Arastey.

During Ordinary Time, up to Lent, we are asked to pray for:

Peace on Earth, Christian Unity, Openess to the Word of God, Victims of Trafficking, The Sick and Those Who Care for Them, Unemployed People.

In February, **Pope Francis** asks us to pray with him for **Parishes**. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2023

In just over 2 weeks we will move into the Season of Lent. There will be the usual 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**; to take us from Lent into the Season of Easter as we 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 particularly remembering Ukraine at this time.

Ash Wednesday - Wednesday 22 February

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

Rite of Election at our Cathedral in Norwich – Sunday 26th February at 3.30pm

This Easter we are welcoming **Katie Price** into the church at the Easter Vigil. As part of her Journey of Faith, Katie, with her sponsor, Caroline (her mum) will join people on the same Journey from across the Diocese at the beginning of Lent for the Rite of Election in our Cathedral with Bishop Peter. During this service the names of all those preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil will be formally read out and they are welcomed and prayed for by Bishop Peter on behalf of the whole Diocesan Family. All are welcome to come and join Katie, Caroline and Fr John for this important event. For more details please speak to Fr John. Please keep Katie and Caroline in your prayers as Katie prepares to be welcomed into the church and to celebrate Confirmation and the Eucharist with us for the first time at the Easter Vigil.

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 people to come along to celebrate with you on one of the following dates, please speak to Fr John as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Friday 3rd March, Thursday 9th March, Wednesday 15th March,
Wednesday 22nd March, Thursday 30th March.**

World Day of Prayer – Friday 3rd March



There is a service for the World Day of Prayer at St Mary's Church in Haverhill (*time will be published later*)

Focus country – TAIWAN

Theme – "I have heard about your faith"

All are invited to come along to pray together.



Lent Family Fast Day - Friday 3rd March

This is an opportunity for us to eat simply, to pray and to give what we can. Our support will give more families around the world the tools and training they need to fight the climate crisis.

Today we pray with CAFOD and their worldwide partners. Envelopes are available in the Narthex for CAFOD Lent Fast Day donations and there will be a collection for CAFOD at Mass on 4th/5th March.

Children's Mass for Lent – Sunday 5th March 10 a.m.

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

Refreshments after 10 a.m. Mass – Sunday 5th March

We will be serving refreshments after Mass. All are welcome to stay and chat over a cuppa or a cold drink.



Parish Feast Day of St Felix – Wednesday 8th March

Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in St Felix Church
Come and celebrate our Parish Saint.

Celebrating our Parish Saint on 11th and 12th March

At both our Sunday Masses we will celebrate our Parish Saint.

We will reflect on St Felix,
and pray especially for our Parish School
as they celebrate their Golden Jubilee this year.

Deanery Station Mass – Tuesday 14th March

Bishop Peter will celebrate our Deanery Station Mass at 6 p.m.
in St Edmund's Church, Westgate Street, Bury St Edmunds.

Adoration and Confessions from 5 p.m.
Refreshments will be available after Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2023

Palm Sunday - 1st/2nd April

Mass at St Felix Church – Saturday evening at 6.30 p.m.
Mass at St Felix Church – Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

Tuesday of Holy Week - 4th April

Chrism Mass in Norwich at the Cathedral at 12 noon.

Wednesday of Holy Week - 5th April

Mass at St Felix Church – 10 a.m.

Triduum



HOLY THURSDAY - 6th April

Altar Servers Rehearsal in St Felix Church – 10 a.m.

Children's Service of Holy Thursday – 3 p.m. in St Felix Church

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30 p.m.
in St Felix Church

Watching until 10.30 p.m. ending with Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY - 7th April

Ecumenical Procession of Witness at 10 a.m.
(Details to follow)

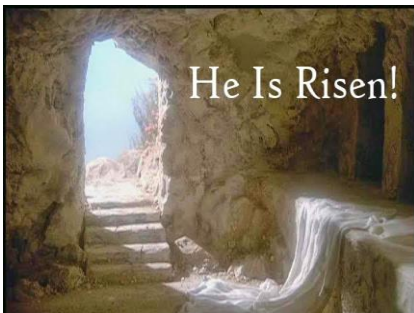
Children's Service for Good Friday – 12 noon in St Felix Church

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 p.m. in St Felix Church

Stations of the Cross at 7.30 p.m. in St Felix Church

HOLY SATURDAY - 8th April

The Easter Vigil at 8.30 p.m. in St Felix Church



EASTER SUNDAY - 9th April

**Mass for Easter Sunday at
10 a.m. in St Felix Church**



WARM HUBS

**HAVERHILL
CHURCHES
OPEN FOR ALL
TO KEEP WARM
IN WINTER**

MONDAYS 9.30 AM – 3 PM:

**RIVER OF LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH, CHALKSTONE
COMMUNITY CENTRE, MILLFIELDS WAY, CB9 0JB**

WEDNESDAYS:

**10.30 AM – 1 PM NEXT DOOR CAFE & 1 PM – 3 PM
METHODIST CHURCH HALL, 28 CAMPS RD, CB9 8HF**

THURSDAYS 9.30 – 3 PM

**WEST END CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,
9 WITHERSFIELD RD, CB9 9LA**

FRIDAYS 9.30 AM – 3 PM:

ST MARY'S CHURCH, HIGH STREET, CB9 8AX



**Also check out opportunities to keep warm at
Haverhill Library and The Arts Centre.**



THE LINK

Creating Community Connections

A NEW, FREE, LOCAL COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND LISTENING SERVICE

*Want to know more about what groups and
services are on offer in Haverhill?*

*Or just fancy relaxing in a comfy warm and
friendly environment?*

Pop in to see us at

**45a High Street
Haverhill
Suffolk**

01440 702134

**Tuesdays - Fridays
10.00am - 4.00pm**

Or email: thelinkhaverhill@salvationarmy.org.uk

Charity number England (214779), Wales (214779), Scotland (SC009359)
and the Republic of Ireland (CHY6399)

ANYONE IN NEED OF HELP IN THE CURRENT COST OF LIVING CRISIS?

If you are aware of anyone who is, or will be, in serious need of help during the current and ongoing cost of living crisis, please speak to Fr. John or you can contact 'Reach'



Need help. Don't wait. Get in touch.
Our friendly team of advisers are here, on hand to help you,
so please do get in touch:

01440 712950

info@reachhaverhill.org.uk

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

[Reach Haverhill: Get Support](#)



CONCERT IN AID OF Reach

We are organising a fund raising concert for Reach.

**The concert will be at the Haverhill Arts Centre
on Friday 12th May 2023.**

and will feature some great musicians and singers.
Tickets are £10 each from the Arts Centre Box Office.

All proceeds will go to Reach.

Please support this very worthy charity.

David and Marie Caulfield

KEEP HAVERHILL RECYCLING

RECYCLE MANY ITEMS WHICH CANNOT CURRENTLY BE RECYCLED
THROUGH THE COUNCIL BLUE RECYCLING BIN.

We collect:

***TETRA PAK drink cartons.**

(Please wash and flatten the cartons and leave the lid on)

***SMALL ELECTRICAL ITEMS**

(such as hair dryers, DVD players, torches, coffee makers, radios etc.
Please remove any batteries)

***EMPTY MEDICINE BLISTER PACKS**

***PENS, MARKERS AND FELT TIPS**

***PRINTER CARTRIDGES**

***BATTERIES**

(including button batteries)

***TOOTHPASTE TUBES AND TOOTHBRUSHES**

***COFFEE PODS**

(Tassimo, L'OR & Nespresso)

***MIXED FLEXIBLE PLASTICS**

which must be clean, free from food, dry with sticky labels removed.
*such as crisp packets, bread bags, salad and vegetable bags, frozen
food bags, confectionary wrappers,
wet wipes packets, baby food pouches, pet food pouches and dry
food packaging, carrier bags, clothes bags, bubble wrap etc.*

PLEASE BRING THESE ITEMS TO US ON HAVERHILL
MARKET

on the **SECOND FRIDAY & SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.**

Next collection dates: 11th/12th February

**2023 DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK AVAILABLE
in the Narthex - £2.50 each**

The latest edition of the Diocesan Newspaper is also available in the narthex – FREE!

PARISH FINANCES

COLLECTIONS/WEEKLY OFFERING & DONATIONS:

Collections for the weekend of 28th /29th January 2023:

Standing orders:	£359.00
Collection:	£310.90
Total:	£669.90

£205 from Mass Stipends and £225 for our 100 Club

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community

**CRAFT
GROUP**

1.45 p.m.
Thursday 9th February

**Justice and Peace Group
Meeting**

**Thursday 9th February
7.30 p.m.**

ALL WELCOME.

**SACRAMENT of
RECONCILIATION**

***Saturday evening
from
5.45 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.***

...or at another time
by request to Fr. John

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS BOOK

Please feel free to enter any intentions in this book in the narthex, and these will be offered at all Masses.

[Please write 'YES' beside your intention if you wish the intention to reach more people by being put in the Parish Newsletter, which also appears on the Parish website] 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 1]

FIFTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME *[Racial Justice Day]*

Saturday 4th February *Eucharistic Adoration 5.45 – 6.15 p.m.*
Mass 6.30 p.m. *People of the Parish*

Sunday 5th February Children’s Mass 10.00 a.m. *Ned Noone. RIP*

Fifth Week of the Year

Wednesday 8th February: Mass 10.00 a.m. *Francine Wilson. RIP*
[Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking]

Thursday 9th February: Mass 10.00 a.m. *Fr. Michael Teader. RIP*

Friday 10th February: Mass 10.00 a.m.
Stella and Joe Mesquita. RIP

SIXTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 11th February *Eucharistic Adoration 5.45 – 6.15 p.m.*
Mass 6.30 p.m. *People of the Parish*

Sunday 12th February Mass 10.00 a.m.
Irina, Ana, Victor and Ivan. RIP

Items for the newsletter should be sent to

stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com

by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter

**If you need to speak with myself or Deacon Huw,
please call me 01440 702156 or
Deacon Huw on 07399 163718.**

**Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers
Fr John and Deacon Huw**