

**ST FELIX MASSES [in church & live-streamed]**  
**& MASS INTENTIONS**

Link for Live Streamed Masses is:

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

**Fifth Sunday of Easter - Mass in church & on-line**

SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MAY: 6.30 p.m. *The People of the Parish*

SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY: 10.00 a.m. *Maggie Lloyd Int.*

**Fifth Week of Easter**

TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MAY: Feast of the English Martyrs  
(Day of prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse)

7.30 p.m. - Mass in church & on-line *Margaret Holden RIP*

FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> May: 10.00 a.m. - Mass in church & on-line  
*Peter Duggan RIP*

**Sixth Sunday of Easter** [Mass in church & on-line]

SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY: 6.30 p.m. *The People of the Parish*

SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY: 10.00 a.m. *Fr. Michael Teader RIP*

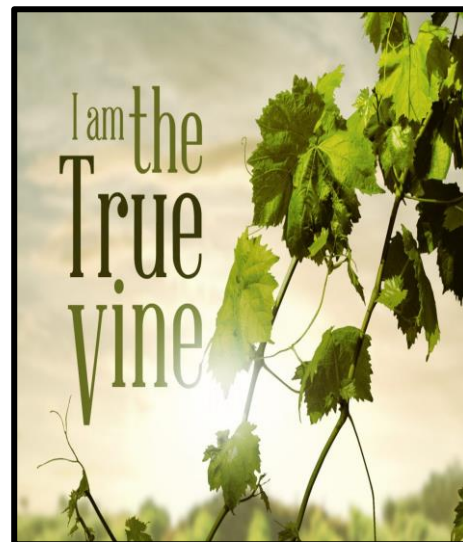
**DIOCESAN CELEBRATION of MARRIAGE and FAMILY LIFE**

This year's Marriage and Family Life Mass will be both live and livestreamed at **St. John's Cathedral, Norwich** on **Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.**

Certificates will be available for those who celebrated/are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries in 2020 and 2021 (anniversaries of one year, five years and every multiple of five years thereafter).

Please register to attend the event and/or for a certificate online at:

<https://www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/>



PARISH OF ST. FELIX

**FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

**2nd May 2021**

[Psalter Week 1]

**ST. FELIX CHURCH, PRINCESS WAY, HAVERHILL, CB9 9BP**  
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Messages may be left via our website: [www.stfelixchurch.org.uk](http://www.stfelixchurch.org.uk)

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

Our School: St. Felix Catholic Primary School: Tel: 01440 703775  
Head of School: Mrs. A. Dodds

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

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.

Dear Friends,

We have now moved to the fifth week of Easter and we hear the parable of the Vine. The image Jesus presents to us today portrays our utter dependence on God. As branches, we can only bear fruit when we remain firmly attached to the vine.

This, I am sure, has and continues, to help us to get through these strange and very challenging days. As the lockdown eases for us, our thoughts and prayers remain with millions across the world who continue to suffer and lose their lives due to Covid-19, and with all who are supporting and providing what help they can in more and more challenging and desperate situations.

As we try to remain connected to the vine, we learn again, to live the gift of love. Through our prayers, acts of kindness and love for others, we share God's love. The message of the second reading is simple and calls us to action. To live in God's love implies keeping His commandments of – love of God and of our neighbour. Looking at the story of Paul in, we are reminded that we can never predict how and where God will speak to us. It is not difficult to imagine the fear of the Jerusalem church when they heard that Saul was back from Damascus. Some of them had probably witnessed his involvement in the death of Stephen, and now they were being asked to believe that he had become one of them. Surely it was a trick! It took Barnabas to show them the way - just as God was to be found in a crucified Messiah, why couldn't he now be working through Saul the Pharisee?

Sometimes faith demands that we take risks because God would have us look for him in the most unexpected places. If we are attached to Jesus the true vine, then our faith will be nourished, and we will remain in him.

*With every blessing and prayers for this Easter season, Fr. John*

### **Parish Gardening Group**

We are looking to set up a Parish Gardening Group to look after the grounds around our church - to keep them tidy and share ideas of how we can best develop the green spaces to reflect some of Pope Francis' ideas from his 2015 Encyclical 'Laudato Si' on Care for our Common Home.

If you are interested and have some time available to be part of this group, please let Fr John know as soon as possible by email to:

[john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk)

[Current Covid rules mean we can only meet outside in groups of 6]

### **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 last September, 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 for all celebrating with us, and also could be available outside normal published Mass times. 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 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'**.  
*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.*

### Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians

Next Sunday, the Sixth Sunday of Easter is a Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians, when Eastern and Western Christians come together in communion through prayer.

For more information, please visit [www.facecharity.org](http://www.facecharity.org)

### LITURGY of the WORD

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter [01/02.05.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: *Barnabas explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul.*  
Acts chapter 9 verses 26-31

Psalm: *You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly*  
Psalm 21 verses 26-28, 30-32.

2<sup>nd</sup> reading: *His commandments are these: that we believe in his Son and that we love one another.*  
1 John chapter 3 verses 18-24

Gospel: *Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty.*  
The Gospel according to John, chapter 15 verses 1-8.

#### Tuesday in the Fifth Week of Easter [04.05.2021]

*Feast of the English Martyrs*

1<sup>st</sup> reading: Acts of the Apostles chapter 7 verses 55-60

Psalm: *Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit*  
Psalm 30 verses 3-4, 6, 8, 17, 21

Gospel: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 10 verses 17-20

#### Friday in the Fifth Week of Easter [07.05.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: Acts of the Apostles chapter 15 verses 22-31

Psalm: *I will thank you, Lord, among the peoples.*  
Psalm 56 verses 8-12

Gospel: The Gospel according to John chapter 15 verses 12-17

**NURSERY MANAGER** required  
at **Little J&M's Nursery,**  
**Felixstowe,**

please see diocesan website for  
more details:

<https://www.rcdea.org.uk/vacancies/little-j-ms-nursery-felixstowe-suffolk-nursery-manager-required-september-2021/>

### **MARCH 100 CLUB WINNERS**



First Prize - £150  
**Dave Arnold [83]**

Second Prize - £100  
**Edie Smith [44]**

### ST FELIX 100 CLUB

Prizes of £150 and £100. However, without a full membership we are unable to raise our normal funds for the parish.

I am happy to recruit new members. If you wish to join, email me at [joe@bullfarm.co.uk](mailto:joe@bullfarm.co.uk) I will then issue a membership number.

It may not be possible for you to leave payments in the '100 Club' box in church at the moment. However, please keep your payments so that you can catch up again when you are able. [If you can let me know if you are unable to make payments in any way at the moment that will be helpful]

You may, of course begin electronic payments to the church bank account  
Annual payment (usually due in June) - £60.00. Monthly payment - £5

**Please Email me if you decide to begin to pay electronically so I can record you as 'paid' on the 100 Club register - [joe@bullfarm.co.uk](mailto:joe@bullfarm.co.uk)**

*Parish Bank Details for electronic payments are:*

Account Name: **St Felix Catholic Parish**

Bank Account Number: **90032055** Sort code: **60-10-21**

Reference: **100 club + your number**

*Thank you very much, Joe Staight*

Your monthly payments to the Church Building Fund can also be paid directly to the church account using the parish Bank account details above.

**Ref: your name-GA + your gift aid envelope number.**

### 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.

**First Reconciliation:** Our children who are preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in the summer celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last week-end. Please continue to remember them and their families in your prayers.

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



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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.





**1st Super Moon of 2021**  
**[Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April]**

Ron tells us that the Moon  
 was just 225,000 miles above  
 our heads.  
 Almost as close as it gets!



**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*

***“Bible alive”***

Copies of Bible Alive will no longer be available to buy from church.

Alive Publishing can send you a copy direct to your home each month for £29.99 per year (£2.49 per copy instead of £3 as in church). Details of how to order can be found at <https://shop.alivepublishing.co.uk/subscriptions/BA> or by phoning Alive Publishing on 01782 745600

**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](mailto: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.
- 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 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 also for Fr. John Warrington, our Parish Priest, our Deacon, Huw Williams 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:**

John Aldis, Rose Kiernan, Christopher Brown, Victor Smith,  
 Eileen McClellan, Julia O'Farrell, James Rawcliffe, Thomas Brennan,  
 Joan Matthews, Josephine Sims, Zygmunt Borowy, Louisa Waters,  
 Howard Forshaw, Veronica Watts.

**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.

## A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

We continue to celebrate this Easter Season together, as we move into the fifth week of Easter. We continue to celebrate this season of hope and new life as we pray with and for all who 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.

This week, on Tuesday, we have a **Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse**. The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors (PCPM) has highlighted the importance of prayer and suggested to Pope Francis that the worldwide Catholic Church should join together in a day of prayer. The Holy Father has welcomed this initiative. From this year, in response to a request from the 'Let's Be Honest' working group, the Bishops of England and Wales have chosen Tuesday of the 5th Week of Easter as the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse:

*We pray for all survivors of sexual abuse;  
may they come to know, once again, the compassionate love of God  
and find healing and hope in the risen Lord.  
We pray for all who work in safeguarding;  
may they place the voice of the survivor at the heart of their service  
and through their care for others help to build up the Body of Christ.  
Amen.*

Please 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 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 this Easter Season. Keep safe.  
*Fr John and Deacon Huw*

### ST FELIX CHURCH POLLING STATION:

On Thursday 6 May for the local elections our church will be open as a local Polling Station from 7am – 10pm.

*Please note that access to the church is only to vote and entry to the church for any other reason will not be permitted.*



## Our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2021

will be celebrated as a virtual pilgrimage  
**on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.**

Bishop Alan will celebrate Mass at 12 noon  
in the Chapel of Reconciliation  
and the Rosary and Benediction at 2.30 p.m.  
The Mass will be live streamed  
on the Shrine's website and YouTube Channel:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/> or  
[www.youtube.com/WalsinghamCatholicTV](http://www.youtube.com/WalsinghamCatholicTV)

### 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/>



Thank you to everyone who is raising donations for St Felix Church Building Fund with #easyfundraising  
We have raised **£1047.36** to date from 50 supporters.

If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. **We receive a £5 bonus every time someone new signs up and raises £5.** 5,100 shopping sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you!

Every donation you raise makes a difference so please sign up at:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stfelixchurch/?invite=36AWZ6%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm\\_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm\\_content=srt](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stfelixchurch/?invite=36AWZ6%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm_content=srt)