



**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,  
HAVERHILL**

**SECOND SUNDAY  
of EASTER  
[DIVINE MERCY]**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Psalter – Week 2**

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**CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu, Anu Anto**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Jili Jojo, Diony Jose, Bindhu Roy**

**SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Volunteers & Annette Field.**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Baiju and Sonia Varghese & Ian Blythe**



### **POPE FRANCIS RIP**

It was with great sadness that we heard the news of the death of Pope Francis on Easter Monday, may he rest in peace and rise in glory. We give thanks for Pope Francis, for his service to the Lord and to the Church, for his gentle care and love, especially of the poorest in our world, for his desire for all to care for God's creation, our common home, and for so much more.

Pope Francis was inspired by the humility of St Francis of Assisi, and he shared this by his straightforward and simple living out of the Gospel by serving others with such love. We give thanks for the example he showed and for his generosity in serving to the end of his life. Pope Francis followed Jesus' example and showed us that we are all called to serve rather than be served. May he rest in peace,

As we pray for Pope Francis we also pray for the Church and for the Cardinals as they gather to elect a new Pope.

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On Easter Sunday Pope Francis gave his 'Urbi et Orbi' Blessing to the Church and the world. The message was delivered on his behalf by Archbishop Diego Ravelli. The following is an excerpt from that message

"Christ is risen, alleluia!

For in the light of this event, hope is no longer an illusion. Thanks to Christ — crucified and risen from the dead — hope does not

disappoint ... That hope is not an evasion, but a challenge; it does not delude, but empowers us.

All those who put their hope in God place their feeble hands in his strong and mighty hand; they let themselves be raised up and set out on a journey. Together with the risen Jesus, they become pilgrims of hope, witnesses of the victory of love and of the disarmed power of Life.

Christ is risen! These words capture the whole meaning of our existence, for we were not made for death but for life. Easter is the celebration of life! God created us for life and wants the human family to rise again!

### **A PRAYER FOR POPE FRANCIS**

Loving God,  
today, we grieve for our beloved Pope Francis.  
We know you join us in our grief,  
that you too weep at the death of your dear friend  
and companion  
as Jesus did at the tomb of Lazarus.

Welcome our beloved Pope Francis into your waiting arms.  
Envelop him in your eternal love.  
And comfort us in our mourning  
as we strive to continue to follow his Gospel example  
to encounter Christ in all people and in all places.

We thank you for the gift of Pope Francis.  
Through his life and teaching, you showed us how to love and  
serve one another,  
how to hear the cries of the poor and the cries of the earth.  
and how to respond in compassionate love.

Pope Francis, pray for us.  
Mary, Mother of Sorrows, comfort us. Amen.

✠ **Funeral Arrangements for JOY CASSIDY RIP**

Mrs Joy Cassidy died at Addenbrook's Hospital

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025, aged 95 years.

Her funeral service is to take place at Cam Valley Crematorium

On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025, 2,00 p.m.

Family Flowers only.

Donations in memory of Joy may be made to *My Wish Charity*  
(to benefit The Eye Clinic at West Suffolk Hospital)

*Dilexit Nos: the  
Heart of Pope  
Francis' Pontificate*

Led by Dr Peter Coughlan

**Wednesday  
May 7  
@5 PM  
Online Event**

SCAN HERE



  
www.margaretbeaufort.cam.ac.uk



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



**Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament  
takes place next Sunday  
04.05.2025  
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.
- 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:**  
**Pamela Dashwood, Amy Argent, Ingjera Hefford, John Aldis,**  
**Rose Kiernan, Christopher Brown, Victor Smith, Eileen McClellan,**  
**Michael Clifford.**

**During Easter time 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.**

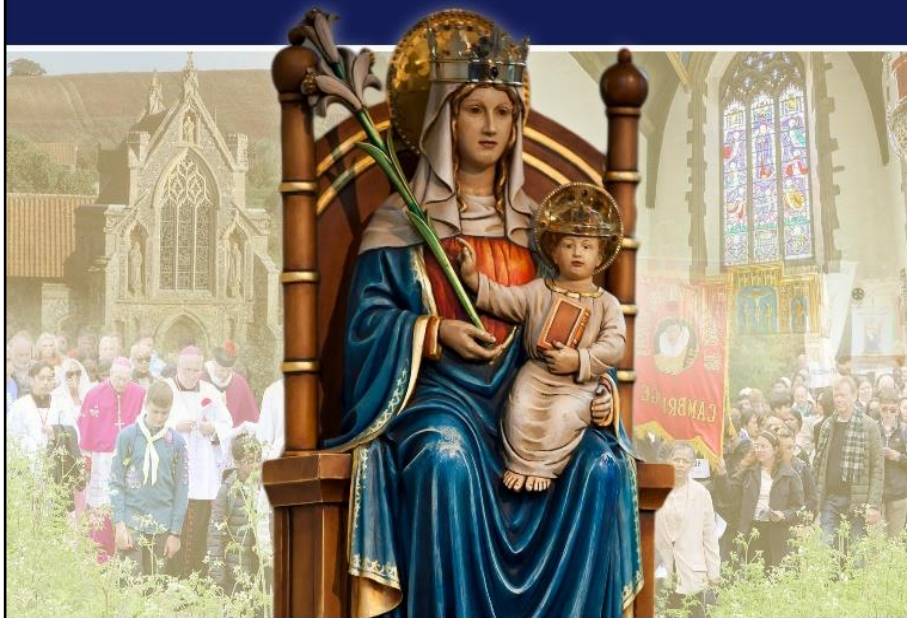
**In May Pope Francis asked us to pray for working conditions.**

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.





# CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EAST ANGLIA



## EAST ANGLIA WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

**MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025**

**11:00** Gathering at the Coach Park  
near the Old Railway Station

Followed by Rosary Procession  
Via : Village - Holy Mile - Basilica

**12:00** Crowning of the Statue of  
Our Lady of Walsingham

Solemn Pontifical Mass  
in the Chapel of Reconciliation

**14:00** Service of Reconciliation  
and Confessions in the  
Chapel of Reconciliation  
and Shrine Grounds

Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament in the  
Chapel of Reconciliation

**15:00** Solemn Benediction

## 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.



Items needed  
this week:

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

April 2025



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

Pope Francis' last encyclical called ***Dilexit Nos***, on the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ was published in October 2024. The words "Dilexit Nos" are the first words of the encyclical and mean "He loved us".

***CAFOD explains:***

*Pope Francis has frequently talked about the importance of encounter. In Dilexit Nos he explains how our lifestyle today, with its frenetic pace and its emphasis on consumerism means that we are not paying enough attention to the heart. He returns to his theme of the dangers of individualism, telling us that this stops us from having a true encounter with our neighbour. This leads to the realisation that an authentic personal relationship to Christ, strengthened by devotion to the Sacred Heart cannot be separated from loving our neighbour. As Pope Benedict XVI says ' love of neighbour is a path that leads to the encounter with God, and .... closing our eyes to our neighbour also blinds us to God'. (Deus Caritas Est, §§§16 )."*

<https://cafod.org.uk/pray/dilexit-nos-explained>

**ADVANCE NOTICE:**

***ST. FELIX PLANT SALE***

**After Masses on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May & Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June**  
*Please start preparing your plants and other garden gear.*





### **GROUND BEES**

We have some ground bees in the grass bank to the right of the church, just near the trees. Ground bees are in no way harmful, **They are crucial pollinators that gather nectar and pollen from flowers.** Generally ground bees won't sting, they are typically solitary bees that are gentle. They pose little threat to humans or animals. Please keep off the bank so as not to disturb them. We will keep an eye on them and monitor their presence with us. If you have any questions please ask. *Fr. John*

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
There is NO Children's Liturgy over the Easter holidays or on the First Holy Communion Sundays in May. <b>THE NEXT CHILDREN'S LITURGY SESSION WILL BE ON 25TH MAY,</b>			



### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** **MASSES**

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

Our First Holy Communion Masses will be celebrated at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 11<sup>th</sup> May and 18<sup>th</sup> May

## **HYMNS for SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025**



**276 - He is Risen, Tell the Story**

**282 - Sing to the Mountains**

**898 - Make Me a Channel of  
Your Peace**

**287 - Thine Be the Glory**

### **FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS AT ST FELIX:**

We have a long tradition of providing flower arrangements in our church to enhance the celebrations of the liturgy.

Our small team would like to extend an invitation to our various national communities in the parish to become involved by taking on responsibility for arrangements that reflect your traditions.

By joining our rota it will help spread the commitment for arranging flowers each week. It would be very helpful to have one contact for each community.

You do not need to have any formal training but rather do what you feel is appropriate and in accordance with your traditions.

We usually have one arrangement under the altar and then one by the statue of Our Lady and another by the statue of the Sacred Heart. We do more for major feasts and first Holy Communion celebrations.

As we have a flower fund any expenses can be reimbursed.

I'd like to prepare a new rota in the next two weeks and would appreciate it if you could contact me if you can join our team or would like to know more. You can contact me by email: [davidjsarnold@gmail.com](mailto:davidjsarnold@gmail.com)



## **MISSIO RED BOX APPEAL 2024**

In 2024, through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries, St Felix Parish raised

**£937.81**

***Thank you!***



Our missionary community here at St Felix is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr Glenn MHM working with a rural community in Tompong, Cambodia, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community.

Visit [missio.org.uk](https://missio.org.uk) to find out more.



Stay for tea, coffee,  
or a cold drink,  
and a chat  
after 10.00 a.m. Mass  
next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

## ST FELIX PARISH PROJECT 2025

### *Our new parish project is to support the work and mission of LORETO RUMBEEK SCHOOL in South Sudan*

*Loreto Rumbek School provides primary education, secondary and higher education for girls and young women and a primary Health Care Centre meets students' basic health needs and those of the local community, especially the most vulnerable.*

*This is in a country whose difficulties include extreme poverty, outbreaks of ethnic violence, food insecurity, high vulnerability to climate risks and the possibility of economic collapse.*

*Loreto Rumbek School therefore relies on donors and sponsors to carry out its work. That's where we come in.*

*We will tell you more about Loreto Rumbek at this weekend's Masses and how we intend to help.  
There is more information in the narthex and in future newsletters.*

*Justice & Peace Group*



**This photo shows Pope Francis with some of the Loreto Rumbek students. Follow link below for full story.**

<https://www.ncregister.com/cna/loreto-sister-meeting-pope-francis-a-dream-come-true-for-south-sudanese-youth>

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS			
DATE	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>nd</sup> READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	JO	VIOLET	ANNE
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	SALLY	RAYMOND	Sign – up sheet in narthex
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	JENNA	LINDA	ANGELA
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	First Holy Communion Mass – no readers needed		Sign – up sheet in narthex

### PARISH FINANCES

**Collections for the 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**REACH [Maundy Thursday] - £242.72**

**THE HOLY PLACES [Good Friday] - £53.00**

**EASTER OFFERING for our CLERGY - £1266.02**

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

### **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*

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

## **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]*

### **SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER (or OF DIVINE MERCY)**

Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April:	2.30 p.m. Syro Malabar Rite Mass	
	6.30 p.m. Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April:	10.00 a.m. Mass	<i>Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis</i>

### **SECOND WEEK of EASTER:**

Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April:	<i>Feast of St Catherine of Siena</i>	
	10.00 a.m. Mass	
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April:	10.00 a.m. Mass	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May:	NO MASS TODAY	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mass:	10.00 Mass	<i>Michael Clifford RIP</i>

### **THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER**

Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May:	6.30 p.m. Mass	
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> May:	10.00 a.m.	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	First Holy Communion Mass	
	4.30–6.30 p.m. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	

**PLEASE NOTE** There will be **NO** 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May as Fr John is at a meeting in Poringland. Also, there will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament or Confessions on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> 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*