# ST FELIX MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS

# [Masses are celebrated in church & live-streamed]

The link for our Live Streamed Masses via our YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEHq3Ww93rfGfMGzX S25A2w/

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER: 6.30 p.m. In Thanksgiving

SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER: 10.00 a.m. The People of the Parish

**Twenty-sixth Week of the Year** 

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September: 7.30 p.m. Albert Elsey RIP

Feast of the Archangels Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September: 10.00 a.m. Nora Hewett RIP

Memorial of St. Jerome

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September: 10.00 a.m. Paul Cook RIP

Memorial of St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October: 10.00 a.m. Fr. Michael Teader RIP

HARVEST FAST DAY

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER: 6.30 p.m. *Mary Tiernan RIP* 

SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER: 10.00 a.m. The People of the Parish

# SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

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

... or on request, with Fr John, at another time

# **OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS BOOK**

is once again available in the narthex, on the lectern on the right-hand side as you come into church.

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

[Please put a note with your intention if you **DO NOT** wish for the intention to appear in the Parish Newsletter] Thank you.



**PARISH OF ST. FELIX** 

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 26th September 2021

[Psalter Week 2]

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Head of School: Mrs. A. Dodds

WHEN ATTENDING MASS & SERVICES IN OUR CHURCH It is recommended that you continue to wear face coverings, sanitise your hands and provide 'Test & Trace' information.

#### **CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS:**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Michael, Alan, Ann and Helen Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Jean, Sheila and Caroline

#### A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

# Important information about present arrangements in Church

We all have a responsibility to one another and to ourselves so that everyone feels safe and has the space they need while in church. There is still have plenty of space at all our Masses.

<u>Face Coverings</u>: It is highly recommended that we continue to wear face coverings in church, unless for a medical reason you are unable to do so.

<u>Sanitising & Contact details:</u> Please continue to use the hand sanitizer as you come into and leave church and either use the NHS Test and Trace QR Code via the App or leave your name and contact phone number in the baskets on the tables as you come into church.

**Space & Ventilation:** With the current numbers at our Masses, there is still enough room for everyone to have the space they require. Doors and windows will continue to remain open during Mass. As the weather cools you may want to wear more layers!

**Cleaning:** The benches will continue to be cleaned after all Masses.

# Moving forward gradually:

From this week-end we will again have an 'Offertory Procession' during Mass. This will be organised by the stewards.

On Saturday evening members of the congregation will bring the bread and wine, followed by the offertory collection plates from the narthex to the priest at the altar.

On Sunday morning the bread and wine, and the collection plates will be taken to the altar by members of the congregation walking behind the children bringing their Children's liturgy work.

Altar servers will resume their service from Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup>/Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> October Altar servers, please let Fr. John, Dcn Huw or Brendan know if you wish to serve at Mass from next week-end and which Mass you will be attending.

# The distribution of Communion from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

From next Sunday, Holy Communion will be distributed by Fr. John and Dcn. Huw together. People wishing to receive Communion (or a blessing) will again walk down the central aisle of the church in **2 lines**. [When Dcn. Huw is unavailable a Eucharistic minister will distribute communion with Fr. John]

At present, on Saturday evening, the arrangements will remain as they are currently – a single line to receive Holy Communion.

All other arrangements will remain as they are for now.

With every blessing and prayers.

Fr John

Please continue to keep everyone in our parish family, our wider communities, across our country and the troubled areas of the world, our families and friends, in your prayers; as I will also. Especially keep our NHS and its dedicated, hard-working staff in your 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 as we continue together through the changing challenges of the pandemic and lessening restrictions.

If you need to speak with myself or Dcn Huw, please call me on 01440 704142 or Dcn 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. Keep safe.

Fr John and Dcn Huw

#### **SUPPORTING OUR PARISH**

Your weekly offering to the church is essential to our parish.

Parish accounts show that our income is still way below our outgoings 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

Thank you



The 'Pennies for Peace Jar' is back on the shelf in the narthex.

Please save, and put your pennies and small change in the jar.

These small donations add up and are donated to

**PAX CHRISTI** 

International Catholic Movement for Peace

# 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.

Thank you to all who supported Evelyn's Macmillan coffee morning, and to the people who made donations.

A total of £84 was made for Macmillan Cancer Support
Thanks again. Evelyn Faunch

Dear Friends,

As we start the synodal process in our diocese I pray that the Holy Spirit unites the whole Church in faith so that we can proclaim the Gospel with one voice.

The readings this weekend show us how people can think that they are 'special' through association with people perceived as being important or through membership of a group or organisation that gives them a feeling of privilege. We can all feel this way at times.

In the first reading this weekend, Moses tells Joshua that it would be better if everyone spoke out for God, and Jesus, in the Gospel, tells John that 'anyone who is not against us is for us.'

It is a sad reflection on Christianity that there may be as many as (or even more than) 45,000 different denominations. Let us try to put our own house in order so that we can then work with others. We need to find our way to working together for the glory of God and not spend time arguing over who is 'in' or 'out.'

A work colleague of mine said that he thinks God is looking down on his flock which is spread through many fields divided by hedges of our own planting. I like this image and think of it often when I work and pray with those of other denominations.

Jesus prayed 'May they all be one' so let us work together to glorify the Lord.

Dcn Huw 😊

# ST FELIX WILD FLOWER MEADOW

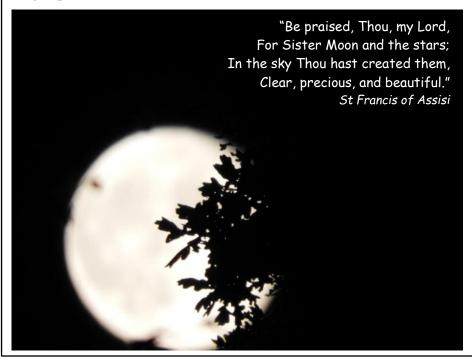
Wildflower seeds have been sown on the bank now and are beginning to germinate, so it's really important that the children stay off this area at the moment.

Thank you for your co-operation



## **SEASON OF CREATION 2021**

It was hard to choose which of Ron's lovely moon images to share with you. I selected this image of a 'waning gibbous moon' (you might need to look it up – I had to!) that Ron photographed last Wednesday – the day after the full moon. It sent me back to reread St Francis' *Canticle of the Sun*, his beautiful song in praise of the Creator and his creation.



# Pray:

Creator God, who made our beautiful world, appointed us as its guardians and gifted us with everything we need, forgive us for the times we cause it harm; for the times our way of life affects our neighbours.

Inspire us to care for the environment; to help rebuild lives and communities; to share in the griefs and anxieties, joys and hopes of all your people, so that all your creation may flourish. Amen.

Stephen Davies/CAFOD

Sunday 26 September is

# NATIONAL GET OUTSIDE DAY

The theme for 2021 is:

'Be Kind:

to the environment,

to others.

and to yourself.'

Select one **Act** of kindness to any of the

# above to do today and going forward.

#### CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY - 1st OCTOBER 2021

Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. By donating to CAFOD this Family Fast Day you can help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis.

Donate online through the CAFOD website or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also give by texting CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10\*. Or choose to give any whole amount between £1 and £20 by texting CAFOD, followed by your chosen amount, to 70580.

\*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70580.

For more information, please see our Privacy Policy: cafod.org.uk/privacy

# URGENT - HELP STILL NEEDED PLEASE!.....

We now have 3 teams [thank you to those who have offered their help] to count the weekly collection and need 1 more team (of 2 people) for a rota so that each team will count every 4 weeks.

Please note that these tasks relating to our parish collection and other monies <u>are required of the parish by the Diocese.</u>

If you can help with this important task please contact Fr. John or Deacon Huw as soon as possible.

Thank you.



## **FRIDAY BREAK**

Everyone is welcome to stay after 10.00 a.m. Mass on Friday mornings for refreshments and a chat.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com

by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter.

#### ST FELIX 100 CLUB Isaiah

We would like to thank all the paid-up members 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.

I will be pleased to recruit new members. If you would like to join 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... or you could now see me at the church entrance after Saturday evening Mass.

We are now able to collect subs again at the church door as you leave Mass. However, a box for 100 club money is still available on the table just inside church if you prefer to continue making your payments that way. Please leave payment, 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 so I can update the book.

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]

# Thank you for your continued prayers:

After my successful kidney transplant in November 2019, a recent routine check-up at the transplant clinic at Addenbrookes, revealed that my results were not entirely as expected.

Fortunately an ultrasound scan of my kidney was all ok. Following my clinic appointment last Monday I am now waiting further results before any decision is made about my need for a biopsy. I will let you know when I receive the latest results.

In the meantime, please continue to remember me and the team at Addenbrookes in your prayers.

With thanks and every blessing and prayers, Fr. John

### LITURGY of the WORD

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

# Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time [26.09.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: *If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets.* 

Numbers chapter 11 verses 25-29

Psalm: The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Psalm 18 verses 8, 10, 12-14

2<sup>nd</sup> reading: *Your wealth is all rotting* 

James chapter 5 verses 1-6

Gospel: Anyone who is not against us is for us

The Gospel according to Mark chapter 9 vs 38-43, 45, 47-48

# Tuesday in the twenty-sixth week of the year [28.09.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: Zechariah chapter 8 verses 20-23

Psalm: God is with us

Psalm 86

Gospel: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 9 verses 51-56

# Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels [29.09.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: Daniel chapter 7 verses 9-10, 13-14

Psalm: In the presence of the angels I will bless you, O Lord

Psalm 137 verses 1-5

Gospel: The Gospel according to John chapter 1 verses 47-51

# Memorial of St. Jerome, priest & doctor of the Church [30.09.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: 2 Timothy chapter 3 verses 14-17

Psalm: Lord, teach me your statutes

Psalm 118 verses 9-14

Gospel: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 13 verses 47-52

# Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus [01.10.2021]

1<sup>st</sup> reading: Isaiah chapter 66 verses 10-14

Psalm: Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord

Psalm 130

Gospel: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 18 verses 1-5

# CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Dear children and parents

If you receive the newsletter by e-mail, please find this week's Children's Liturgy resource attached, to use with your families.

We are pleased to announce that we plan to re-start the in-person Children's Liturgy sessions during Mass on Sunday this week-end (26th September). The format will be slightly different in that we will now be encouraging children who have already made their First Holy Communion to remain in church with their parents and will invite children up to the age of First Holy Communion preparation (usually Year 3) to attend the Children's Liturgy session. We are quite limited for space, but we also warmly invite the under 4s, accompanied by a parent, to join us too.

We look forward to welcoming the children on Sunday 26th September.

Best wishes and blessings
Angela Wilson (St Felix Children's Liturgy Group)



#### SINGING RETURNS TO ST. FELIX!

Hymns for Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September are: **458** - 'Let us build a house [All are welcome]' **980** - 'Your words are spirit and life' **849** - 'God forgave my sin'

# PARISH TREASURER

After over 13 years' service to our Parish, Colin Schraeder-Bidwell has decided to step down as our Parish Treasurer. We thank Colin for all his time, commitment and dedication to this vital role in our community over these years including the time when our Parish Church was built. **Thank you, Colin.** 

We are, therefore, now looking for a new Parish Treasurer. For further information for anyone who would be interested in taking on this role on for the parish, please speak to Fr. John or Dcn. Huw as soon as possible.



Love Christmas - Gathering for Catholic Parishes Wednesday 6 October at 11.00 a.m.

Love Christmas is a national initiative to help us spread the power of love, hope and kindness to our communities. Together we are mobilising an army of local volunteers to sponsor and deliver a million Christmas Boxes to the most vulnerable and isolated. By partnering together, you will be joining thousands of churches of different denominations from across the UK. This webinar will be a chance for Catholic churches across the UK to hear more about Love Christmas and to find out how to get involved.

Webinar Registration (tfaforms.com) https://www.tfaforms.com/4917266

# **Our Diocesan Synodal Process**

Bishop Alan will issue a Pastoral Letter this weekend concerning the Synodal Process and those who will be acting for this in our Diocese.

As you may know Pope Francis will begin this important process across the world on October 17<sup>th</sup> and in some Dioceses this has already begun. Please pray for this important time in the church.

For more information visit: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission Vademecum for the Synod on Synodality (vatican.va)

and also: Questions and Answers - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk)



# PLEASE HELP AMY BLYTHE

raise money for mind

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, my daughter, Amy is running in the London Marathon in aid of the charity 'Mind'. [Many of you will remember the recital performed by Amy in St Felix Church in January 2020 to raise funds, and we are very grateful for your donations then.]

Despite the Marathon being cancelled last year, Amy has continued with her training, and is all set to run this year. Please pray for her to achieve her dream of finishing the race...

and any donations in aid of 'Mind' would be much appreciated. You can read Amy's story here:

https://justgiving.com/fundraising/amy-blythe4?fbclid=lwAR1eBoEajcgPsZ20YoD4dw-DOHosBnsS5Mp2NYlrgr1tFQLobxGukAdksJs

Thank you, Rachel Blythe

In this Season of Creation, we give thanks for the gifts of creation and of the harvest.

To share those gifts you are invited to bring some 'long-life food' to church next week-end [October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>] and place it on the altar steps when you arrive.

These gifts will be donated to



Current Foodbank shortages are: Sponge puddings (non-refrigerated)

- Biscuits - Tinned potatoes - Custard – Long-life Fruit Juice

and hygiene products, especially
Deodorant – Razors Shampoo and conditioner.

# CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

Thank you to the few people who joined/returned to the team following our last appeal.

However, as more people come back to church the more work is required to keep it clean.

We still need more volunteers
to join the teams.
If you are able and willing to
give a couple of hours on a
Saturday morning once a month
to keep our church looking its
best please let

Jo Rowson know:

rowson.jo@gmail.com

or give your name to Fr. John or Dcn Huw.

#### **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 for newsletter to <a href="mailto:linda.pector@gmail.com">linda.pector@gmail.com</a> ]

- ➤ Pray for all who are sick in any way. We are asked to pray particularly for **Tom Doherty**, **Sue**, **Gary and Josie**. Pray also for people who care for those who are sick, people who are alone, and those who are troubled.
- ➤ Please pray for the intentions of **Richard White and Judy Symonds**
- Pray for people affected in any way by Covid-19.
- > Pray for the repose of the souls of all we know and love who have died, and for the consolation 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 the people of Afghanistan.
- > Pray for refugees and people who cannot safely live in their homelands.
- Pray that all people will respect, protect and nurture the environment.
- ➤ Pray for pupils and staff in our schools, especially in St Felix School, and students engaging in higher and further education.
- > 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:

Baby Thomas, Kenneth McGillicuddy, Teresa Holmes, Juliana O. Eduputa, Paul Cook, Cameron Vasquez.

# During Autumn we are asked to pray for:

The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent use of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and their Families, All Victims of War and Young People.

In September, **Pope Francis** asks us to join him in praying for **An environmentally sustainable lifestyle**: We pray that we will all make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.