



**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,
HAVERHILL**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

24th MAY 2026

Psalter - Week 4

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Tel: 01440 703775

Head teacher: Mrs Anne-Marie Price

CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

**Saturday 30th May – Sherin Cijo, Saji Abraham, Sheena Jestine,
Juvana Mariya Jestine, Josh Cijo.**

**Saturday 6th June – Nnenna Ezugwu, Chinonso Mfon-Eddie,
Stella Ugama, Kelechi Onwodi, Nellie Malango**

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS

Sunday 24th May – Pat & PJ Sheehy and Annette Field.

Sunday 31st May – Baiju & Sonia Varghese and Ian Blythe

Dear Friends,

The gift of Pentecost is the completion, the purpose, of the Paschal Mystery. Jesus passed through death to abundant life so as to purchase the gift of the Spirit. Because Jesus has gone from this world through his death and resurrection, the Spirit is given.

St Augustine tells us that a community is united by the things it loves and the values that its members share. At Babel, because of pride, human communication was fragmented, shared values were lost. Pentecost overcomes Babel, but not by suppressing the rich variety of human language and culture, but rather, the Spirit purifies each culture and brings it home into a *Catholic* Church. A Church where the same truth is proclaimed in the accents of many places and times. On Pentecost we celebrate the full depth of the peace of Christ, the peace we are part of by belonging to each other in the Body of Christ.

The Spirit makes us one Body, giving each of us gifts to be used for the common good. We are given the great gift of Charity, that love which makes us serve each other and makes us leave space for the gifts of others.

The Spirit enables us to forgive sins, to be a community of reconciliation — although there is also a warning: if we fail to forgive, we get in the way of the forgiveness of which we should be channels.

In the Spirit's power we live as one, and we go out as heralds of the truth, as ministers of forgiveness: the Church on her universal mission.

Dcn Huw 😊

EXPOSITION and ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT



**There will NOT be
Exposition and Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament
at 4.30 p.m. on SUNDAY 7th JUNE**
due to the Corpus Christi Procession
at Clare Priory that afternoon.

*Exposition and Adoration will take
place again at 4.30 p.m. on
Sunday 5th July*

**CELEBRATION MASS WITH OUR
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES**



**at 10 a.m. on Sunday 7th June.
This will be a children's Mass**

PENNIES FOR PEACE



Got small change in your pocket, purse or wallet? Want to make good use of those 1p, 2p and 5p coins that are tricky to spend elsewhere?

Please think of our
PENNIES FOR PEACE JAR

in the narthex and put your change there.

By collecting our loose change together, we can accumulate a significant amount [usually in excess of £100] to donate to the work of **PAX CHRISTI,**

The International Catholic Movement for Peace

**WHAT'S CURRENTLY BLOOMING IN THE ST. FELIX
WILDFLOWER MEADOW....?**



Germander Speedwell

By the time you see these pictures the blue of the speedwell and pink of the vetch will have been joined by the white and gold of the ox-eye daisies.

Have you noticed anything else?




Common Vetch

| READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| DATE | 1 st READING | 2 nd READING | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS |
| Saturday 23 rd May | ANGELA | JO | MURRY |
| Sunday 24 th May | DAVE | SUE | Sign-up sheet in narthex |
| Saturday 30 th May | LINDA | KAREN | ANNE |
| Sunday 31 st May | RAYMOND | ADEMIDE | Sign-up sheet in narthex |

| ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS | |
|--|------------------------------|
| Sunday 23 rd May | Team 5 MALCOLM and MARIA |
| Sunday 31 st May | Team 6 ABRAHAM and ADARSH |
| <i>Please swap with another counter if you are unable to count on your week given on the rota. Thank you</i> | |

HYMNS - SUNDAY 24th MAY 2026



771 - The Spirit Lives to Set Us Free

608 - Take Our Hands

883 - Christ Be Our Light

785 - Thought the Mountains May Fall

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



| DATE | LEADER | ADULT HELPERS | CHILD Nos. |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Sunday 24 th May | ANGELA WILSON | 1.Christine White 2. 3. | 12 |



15 of our young people are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation next month.

We will welcome Bishop Peter to our Parish for our Confirmation Mass on SATURDAY 13TH JUNE at our 6.30 p.m. MASS.

Please remember our young people in your prayers.

You are welcome to come to the Confirmation Mass, and are invited to bring some food to share afterwards to celebrate with our young people and their families.

Help is needed with setting up and serving the refreshments after Mass and clearing away, if you can help please speak to Deacon Huw or Fr John. *Thank you.*

Please Note - there will be no adoration or confessions on the evening of Saturday 13th June before the Confirmation Mass.

Castle Camps Open Gardens

7th June 2pm-5pm

Refreshments available

Tickets £5.00 on the day from Lily Cottage

Raffle and plant stall

Enjoy some lovely local gardens

Contact Lindi Kent 07801 790213
lindi.allen.kent@gmail.com



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Open Gardens - the UK National Directory | town and village Open Gardens events across the UK

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be NO 10 a.m. Mass on Wednesday 27th May as Fr. John is attending a Funeral in Ipswich.

There will also NOT be a 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday 28th May as Fr. John is in Poringland for the Annual Diocesan Celebration of Priesthood with Bishop Peter.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to
stfelixhaverhill@rcdea.org.uk
by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter

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'. Particularly remember those who are ill or have health concerns particularly pray for Zain's recovery from serious illness and his family.
- Please continue to pray for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and everywhere in the world affected by conflict.
- Pray for people living in any form of poverty. Remember the work of REACH and everyone associated with it.
- Pray for people and lands devastated by effects of climate change. Pray that everyone will do what they can to protect & nurture Creation.
- Pray that all producers of food and commodities receive just treatment and fair recompense for their labour and products.
- Pray that migrants and refugees receive just and compassionate help.
- Pray for prisoners, their families and those who work with them. Remember especially all those associated with HMP Highpoint.
- Pray for our children and young people, and their families, who are celebrating the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation in our parish.
- Pray for Fr. John, Dcn. Huw, the people of our parish, particularly those in care and nursing homes, and the staff and pupils of St Felix School.

Pray for all the people we know and love who have died.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

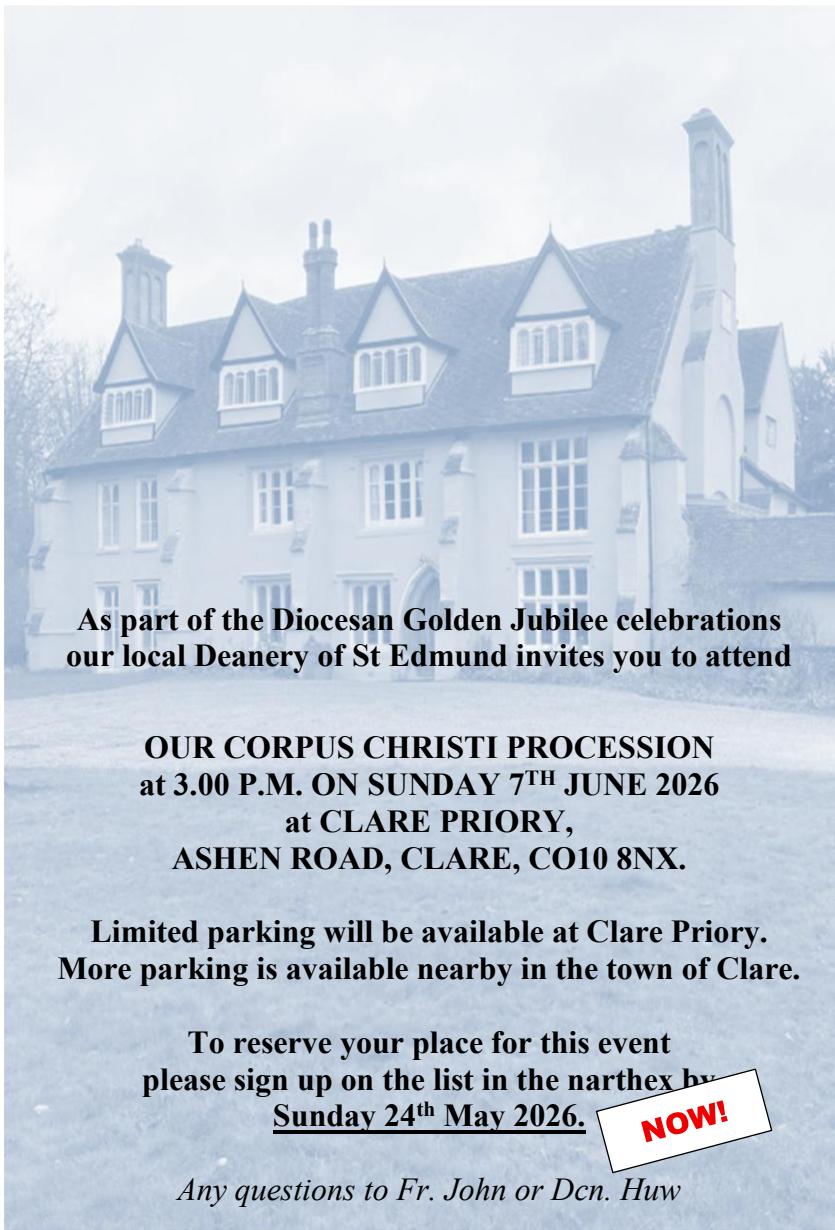
**Sheila McLoughlin, Louisa Lee, Mary Howell, Jacqui M-Morris,
Ethel Welsh, Mollie Plumridge, Peter Donnelly, Paddy Taylor.**

During Summer (up to September) we are asked to pray for:

**A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those Who
Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Their Human Rights;
Human Life; Europe; Seafarers,**

Pope Leo asks us to join him in prayer in May that everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

DIOCESAN GOLDEN JUBILEE
DEANERY CELEBRATION AT CLARE PRIORY.



**As part of the Diocesan Golden Jubilee celebrations
our local Deanery of St Edmund invites you to attend**

**OUR CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION
at 3.00 P.M. ON SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2026
at CLARE PRIORY,
ASHEN ROAD, CLARE, CO10 8NX.**

**Limited parking will be available at Clare Priory.
More parking is available nearby in the town of Clare.**

**To reserve your place for this event
please sign up on the list in the narthex by
Sunday 24th May 2026.**

NOW!

Any questions to Fr. John or Dcn. Huw

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

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

May 2026

TOP 5 Items needed this week:

- Rice Pudding:
- Custard:
- Sponge Puddings:
- Tinned Meat:
- Tinned Tomatoes:

Haverhill Foodbank Together with Trussell **Reach** Community Projects



BANK HOLIDAY NOTICE

Our office and drop in will be closed on
Monday 25th May

We will reopen as normal on
Tuesday 26th May

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

Fostering Generosity

Living simply allows us to embrace generosity. It's often said that our greatest riches come from what we give, not what we hold onto. When we live simply, we recognize there's enough to share, and that enables us to bless others. Every act of kindness, no matter how small, contributes to a chain reaction of love and compassion in our communities. Generosity comes from a heart that understands the blessings we have received from God.

From: biblestudyforyou.com

DONA CARD MACHINE PAYMENTS

Just a reminder that you are able to make the following donations to our Parish via our Dona Card Machine in the narthex: **Sunday Collection, Special Collections and Second Collections, CAFOD, 100 Club, Flowers, Candles, Mass Offerings, Donations.**

NOAH BLYTHE'S UPCOMING CONCERTS

Noah
will be performing in a lunchtime concert
in St Mary's Church, Haverhill
on THURSDAY 28th MAY at 1 p.m.
[Doors open at 12.30 p.m.]

He will also be performing in a concert
in St Peter and St Paul's church in Clare
on the 15th of August,
(time to be confirmed)

REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY MASS

Stay for a coffee, tea or squash
and snacks
after 10.00 a.m. Mass
on Sunday 7th June.

Hosted by members of our
of our Keralan community.



tea/coffee/refreshments for Sunday 7th June after 10am Mass hosted by the Kerala community.

ST FELIX 2026 PLANT SALE



SATURDAY 30th MAY
and
SUNDAY 31st MAY
[after Masses]

OUR INFAMOUS PLANT SALE IS NEXT WEEKEND.

If you have plants or garden paraphernalia that you wish to donate for sale, please bring them to church before the Masses next weekend.

All you shoppers, please bring bags etc to use to carry your many purchases home.

Thank you

RECEIVING ST FELIX NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

You can help our parish live more sustainably and use less ink and paper, by receiving the parish newsletter electronically. If you are able to do this please send a message to Linda on linda.pector@gmail.com

If you have changed your email and wish to continue receiving the newsletter please let me have your current e-address.

Alternatively if you receive the newsletter by e-mail but wish to stop, also please let Linda know.

Some paper newsletters will continue to be produced for those people who cannot, or do not wish to, receive them electronically.

VOLUNTEER WEEK begins on June 1st.

Have you thought about volunteering? Here's a suggestion.

Our Special Friends is a West Suffolk pet charity that supports people in their homes so that they can continue to benefit from having a pet whilst going through difficult circumstances.

They are looking for more volunteers in the Haverhill region.



Volunteers needed

Do you:

- have a friendly dog or cat to take on visits?
- don't have a dog, but would like to help walk one?
- think you could foster a pet with a view to reunite with owner?
- want to support lonely or vulnerable people in West Suffolk?
- have an hour or two to give each week?

If you have answered yes to some of these then we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Frances Day or fill in our volunteer application form online.

frances.day@ourspecialfriends.org
or call 01284 335351

www.ourspecialfriends.org

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend 16th/17th May 2026

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|------------------|-----------------|
| Standing Orders: | £421.00 |
| Collection: | £640.01 |
| Total: | £1061.01 |

£138 for the Catholic Communications Network

Forthcoming Second and Special Collections:

20th/21st June – Day for Life – Bishops’ Conference Life Charities,
27th/28th June – Peter’s Pence – The Holy Father’s Charitable works,
11th/12th July – Sea Sunday – the Work of Stella Maris

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Please note:

It is a requirement of The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency [CSSA], which is our churches national safeguarding organisation, that children who need to use the toilet while in church must always be accompanied by an adult.

PARISH JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP MEETING

The next J&P Group meeting takes place on Tuesday 26th May at 7.30 p.m. in church.

All are welcome to come along.

A zoom link will be available via email to Fr John (john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk) for those wishing to join online.

Discussion will include ideas and suggestions for our 2026 Parish Project.

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 II]

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Saturday 23rd May: 6.30 p.m. Mass *Mary & Roy Banham RIP*

Sunday 24th May: 10.00 a.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Eighth week of the Year

Tuesday 26th May: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Souwmya RIP*

Wednesday 27th May: NO MASS TODAY

Thursday 28th May NO MASS TODAY

Friday 29th May: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Yiota Sofocleaus RIP*

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Saturday 30th May: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 31st May: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Souwmya RIP*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
on Saturday evenings from 5.45 – 6.15 p.m.**

**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***