

PARISH OF ST. FELIX, HAVERHILL

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time Sunday 6th July 2025

Psalter – Week 2

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 12th July – Sheila Dooley, Mary Dooley, Christine White Saturday 19th July – Angela Rymills, Jo Rowson, Nora Roberts.

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:

Sunday 6th July – Jose Family Sunday 13th July – Pat and PJ Sheehy & Annette Field.

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL FROM LOYOLAPRESS.

Jesus appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. They are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their success. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel, and last Sunday's Gospel, is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/14th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-c-sunday-connection/



ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

This weekend, 5th & 6th July, we welcome Fr Isah Katuka, C.S.Sp from the Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Spirit, also known as Holy Ghost Fathers) who will be celebrating our Sunday Masses and giving the annual Mission Appeal. You will be able to make donations to the Spiritans' mission in a special collection - a basket will be on the font for your donations, along with a button on the Dona Card Machine.

Founded in 1703, The Spiritans are a Roman Catholic Religious Congregation dedicated to sharing hope and love worldwide. For over 300 years, their mission, inspired by Luke 4:18 has been clear - to evangelize the poor and the needy, pursue justice, foster peace, care for creation and advance God's kingdom on earth.

Today, more than 3,000 Spiritans from all continents bring this mission to life in over 60 countries, serving where the need is greatest – in hospitals, parishes, prisons, schools, and refugee communities. They also support integral development for young people and work for justice globally.

As Pope Francis reminded us in May 2023, we serve "in simplicity of life, respecting peoples and cultures," embracing the most abandoned with fraternity and prayer.

Your support and prayers keep the Spiritan mission alive. Together, we carry the Spiritan light to the world's darkest corners.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

THIS WEEKEND - SUNDAY, 6th JULY 4.30 p.m - 6.30 p.m.

You are all welcome to come and spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

THIS SUNDAY, 6th JULY



Tea, Coffee or a Cold drink after 10.00 a.m. Mass

Stay for a cuppa and a chat.

Catch up with old friends, make new ones.

HYMNS for SUNDAY 6th JULY 2025



898 - Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

971 - Father I Place Into Your Hands 967 - O the Love of My Lord

821 - The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS			
Sunday 6 th July	Team 1 CAROL and DAVE		
Sunday 13 th July	Team 2 SUE and DAVE		

Please swap with another counter if you are unable to count on your week given on the rota. Thank you

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 **Graeme Burden** who is ill, and others who are also sick.
- ➤ 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 the people of South Sudan, particularly the students and staff of Loreto Rumbek School.
- 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.

Remember their families and all who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Dorothy Rivas-Hidalgo, Pat Kennedy, Sr Philippa Kohlbecker, Paul Cozzi, Elizabeth Hand, Anthony Fox, Francis Effer, Clara Simpson, Veronica Digby, John Halpin, Nora Ashworth, June Delany, Michael Callinan, Elizabeth Waddingham.

During Summer, up to September, we are asked to pray for:

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

Pope Francis asked us to pray in July for formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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

From a talk by Ruth Jarman (Information Officer, 'Green Christian') about responding to the climate and nature crises, June 2025.

When we passively allow the climate to be messed up, we disturb the viability of God's beautiful earth to sustain abundant life.

Floods are rising, fires are raging, crops are falling and these are not natural disasters. We know that they are caused by climate change. And we know that climate change is caused by the burning of fossil fuels. And we know that going about our ordinary lives we are burning those fossil fuels. How can we carry on our lives embedded in a fossil-fuelled economy and, at the same time, live with love?

How do we live with love at this time? I would suggest we pray. We must pray as Jesus taught us "Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Not just for God to do stuff, but for hearts to be changed - hearts of oil company CEOs, but even more for our hearts to be open to who God is calling us to be at this time. What is God calling us to do - as Jesus' body on earth?

We may find this brings us to look at our personal lives. We all make choices every moment of the day that will either nurture creation or aid its destruction. And if we make these choices out of love we add so much joy to our lives. So resist the adverts telling us to fly off to far flung places, to buy the next bigger house or car. Resist the crazy idea that we shouldn't make sacrifices of money or comfort for the sake of God's creation and future generations. Live with love for the children and their future. Find joy in enough and live gently on God's beautiful earth.

We live in a democracy and can express love for each other and creation in our 'political' lives by supporting campaigns on behalf of the earth, our common home, like Zero Hour's campaign for the Climate and Nature Bill – www.zerohour.uk

So how do we love?

Let us commit to pray

Let us live gently

Let us be bold - let's spread Godly values into the political space and call for the protection of God's creation

REMEMBER OUR PROMISES - RENEW AND EXTEND THEM



St Felix Parish Sustainability Promises Tree Season of Creation 2022

Turn off water when brushing teeth, washing hands & shaving

Turn down the temperature on the heating and water

Use my bike for short journeys, not the car

Feed the birds Say

Say a prayer for the earth each day

Shop locally to avoid driving to the supermarket

Buy Fairtrade goods where possible

Pick up litter from the park and in the road once a month

Switch off all lights when leaving the room Switch off sockets at night

Don't leave electrical goods on standby

Buy fruit and veg from the market not in plastic bags Eat mostly plants

Use water with care Wash laundry at lower temperatures

Plant only indigenous plants to support wildlife

Use only peat-free compost

Drive less, walk more Reduce my energy consumption

Pray each day for creation. God's people and our common home

Shower for 5 minutes max If running off water catch it in a jug and use to fill the kettle

Use less kitchen roll and paper towels

Dry the laundry outdoors – use the dryer less

Use scrop poper for shopping lists. Receive St Felix newsletter by email & don't collect hard copy

Love and pray for God's creation and his people, especially the poor



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.



PLEASE NOTE:

Fr John will be away from the parish for a short break from Friday 4th July to Tuesday 8th July.

Therefore there will be NO Mass at 10 a.m. on Tuesday.

Also, there will be NO 10 a.m. Mass on Friday 11th July as Fr John is at St Benedict's High School in Bury St Edmunds for their Feast Day Mass.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
6 [™] JULY	MARY MATHEW	Christine White, Nellie Malango David Summerville	24

Children's Liturgy is for children in Reception Class and Years 1, 2 and 3 so they can hear the Word of God adapted to their age group. Younger children and/or those with additional needs are welcome to attend with an adult. Children who have made their First Holy Communion should not attend Children's Liturgy.

The ratio of DBS-checked adults to children is 1:6 for our age group. The number of children permitted to attend depends on the number of adult helpers and the space available in the narthex. We have a registration system before Mass and parents should sign their children in and take a registration card to bring to that Sunday's session. Children without a registration card will be sent back to the main church if we are overcrowded. Children must be registered each time they come to Mass.

We are always looking for more adult helpers. If you would like to assist us please speak to Fr. John or Angela Wilson.

ST FELIX PARISH PROJECT 2025

We are supporting the work and mission of LORETO RUMBEK SCHOOL in South Sudan



The Loreto Rumbek Education Centre

The Education Centre at Loreto Compound, Rumbek, is a hub for higher education and vocational training for those who have completed Secondary School.

In addition to primary education, secondary education for girls and health care, our donations to Loreto Rumbek also help support the educational and vocational projects of the Education Centre.

Dedicated to the holistic development and empowerment of the youth, the Centre offers a variety of programs, including internships, basic computer training, global English language courses, and tailoring.

In the aim to improve the standard of education at the Primary level, the Centre offers In-Service Training to Primary School teachers working in other schools around Rumbek.

The Centre also provides short courses such as Mental Health Awareness and Career Guidance. All the courses are designed to equip young people with essential skills for their future. For more information:-

https://loretorumbek.ie/loreto-education-centre/

https://loretorumbek.ie/adak-a-lawyer-and-career-woman/follow this link to read Adak's inspiring story.

Our target over the next few months is to raise **at least £1000** for the work of Loreto Rumbek Schools, the Primary Health Care Centre and the Education Centre.

Thanks to your generosity we have passed the £900 mark!

There is a donation point in the narthex.

You can donate cash by placing it in the Loreto Rumbek School box.

You can also donate using the dona card machine if you prefer.

Justice & Peace Group

ST FELIX SCHOOL NEWS



New Headteacher for St Felix Catholic Primary School

At the end of this Summer Term we say farewell to Mrs Andi Dodds as the Headteacher of our Primary School of St Felix. Thank you Mrs Dodds for all you have given to our school and parish communities over the past few years. Thank you for your inspiration and leadership and for all the support, care and commitment you have shown to the children, parents, families and carers, governors, staff and support staff and everyone involved in the life of our school. We wish you every blessing and an assurance of our prayers as you move to your new job.

Please remember Mrs Dodds in your prayers as we wish her well for the future.

We are delighted to be able to confirm that the new Headteacher of St Felix will be Mrs Anne-Marie Price. Mrs Price has worked in leadership roles in other Catholic schools in the Diocese and is looking forward to joining our school in September. Please also remember Mrs Price in your prayers as she prepares to join our school family in the new academic year.

HAVERHILL TOWN COUNCIL PARKWAY FUN DAY

On Tuesday 29th July we are hosting the Parkway Fun Day. We will need to provide some refreshments, hot and cold drinks and some cakes and biscuits for this day. If you can help on the day please speak to Fr John or email him on john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk
The day runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



PARISH FINANCES

Collections for the weekend 21st June/22nd June 2025

Standing Orders: £421.00 Collection: £589.21 Total: £1010.21

£120 for Peter's Pence

£15 for our Parish Project – Loreto Rumbek School, South Sudan Running Total: £955.26

<u>Upcoming second collections</u>: 12th/13th July, Sea Sunday – Collection for Stella Maris

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

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS						
DATE	1 st READING	2 nd READING	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS			
Saturday 5 th July	JEN	MURRY				
Sunday 6 th July	DAVE	ALICE	Sign – up sheet in narthex			
Saturday 12 th July	VIO	ANGELA				
Sunday 13 th July	MARITA	JENNA	Sign – up sheet in narthex			

Items for the newsletter should be sent to 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]

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 5th July: 6.30 p.m. Mass *Colin & Dorothy Staight RIP*

Sunday 6th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

FOURTEENTH WEEK of the YEAR:

Tuesday 8th July: NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 9th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Private Int*

Thursday 10th July 10.00 a.m. Mass David INT

Friday 11th July: NO MASS TODAY

<u>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEA SUNDAY</u>

Saturday 12th July: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 13th July: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Anna Kutty Mathew*

. 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