

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

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

SATURDAY 10th APRIL: 8.00 p.m. *The People of the Parish*

SUNDAY 11th APRIL: 10.00 a.m. *Patrick Behan RIP*

Second Week of Easter

TUESDAY 13th APRIL: 7.30 p.m. **MASS on-line ONLY** *Private Int (Baz)*

FRIDAY 16th APRIL: 10.00 a.m. **NO MASS TODAY**

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

SATURDAY 17th APRIL: 6.30 p.m. *Private intention*

SUNDAY 18th APRIL: 10.00 a.m. *The People of the Parish*



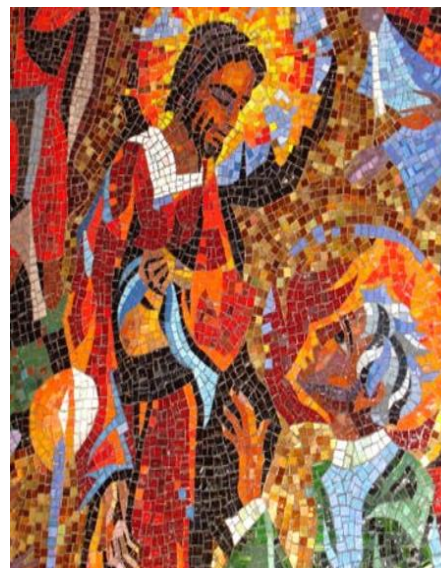
09.04.2021

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

We give thanks for his life and service.

We also pray for our Queen, on the loss of her husband,
for the members of the Royal Family,
and for all the people and organisations in this country and
around the world who are grieving the passing
of Prince Philip from this world.



PARISH OF ST. FELIX

**SECOND SUNDAY
OF EASTER**
[OR OF DIVINE MERCY]

11th April 2021

[Psalter Week 2]

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

Dear Friends,

We can all find ourselves in the situation of the first disciples, locking ourselves away in a hiding place. Like the disciples in this Sunday's gospel, we can be tempted to give up on our faith journey. The "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" can water down our dedication to following the Lord.

The disciples were unmoved by the hopeful enthusiasm of Mary Magdalene who had seen the Lord, nevertheless Jesus came to them. Thomas, it seems, was an even harder nut to crack than the other disciples but Jesus accommodates his doubts too.

No locked doors, nor even locked hearts, can keep him out. The Lord meets us wherever we are. He takes us seriously in all our fears and doubts. He stands with us on our own ground, whatever that ground is, and from there he will speak to us in words suited to our personal state of mind and heart.

Let us pray this Easter season for the openness to receive the Lord in our own lives, to hear him speak to us, so that we too might say, with Thomas, "My Lord and my God."

We can also pray that, like the Lord, we will receive others where they are, rather than where we would like them to be.

In the Morning Prayer of the Church I find the Benedictus a great uplift for the day:

*'Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
He has visited his people and redeemed them'*

And, particularly on this Divine Mercy Sunday, we should

'... make known to his people their salvation

Through forgiveness of all their sins.'

Dcn Huw ☺

*In 2020, our community of St Felix raised **£462.48** through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you!*

Communities around the world are grateful that people here in Haverhill are supporting them through prayer and our generous donations. The missionaries, and the communities they serve, are living in such difficult circumstances, made even harder by COVID-19. They have asked us to pass on their thanks, and tell us that they pray for us all.

Find out more at missio.org.uk

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.**

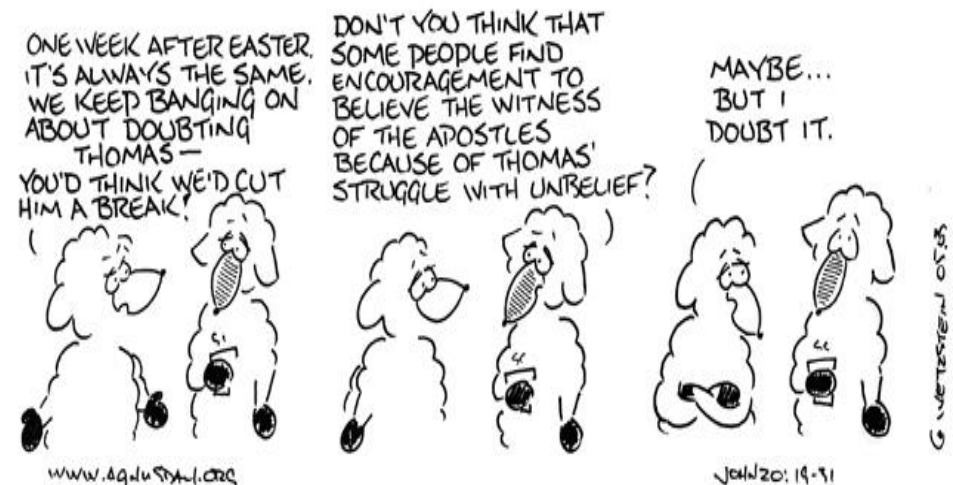
Sort code: **60-10-21** *Account number:* **90018850**

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**

The new Gift Aid Envelopes for 21/22 (beginning this week-end) for people who do not pay through the bank, are available in church. Please ask a steward to get yours for you when you are in church.

Thank you



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.*



Thanks to your generosity the Food Bank does not currently have any urgent shortages. However if you wish to continue to give, Reach Foodbank accepts donations of Sainsbury's or Tesco's gift vouchers to use to purchase what is needed when it is needed.

LITURGY of the WORD

Second Sunday of Easter [10/11.04.2021]

1st reading: *United, heart and soul.*

Acts chapter 4 verses 32 – 35

Psalm: *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.*

Psalm 117 verses 2-4, 15-18, 22-24

2nd reading: *Anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world*
1 John chapter 5 verses 1-6

Gospel: *Eight days later, Jesus came.*

The Gospel according to John, chapter 20 verses 19-31.

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter [06.04.2021]

1st reading: Acts of the Apostles chapter 2 verses 36-41

Psalm: *The Lord fills the earth with his love*

Psalm 32 verses 4-5, 18-20, 22

Gospel: The Gospel according to John chapter 20 verses 11-18



From this week-end – April 10th and 11th
SUNDAY MASSES will be celebrated in St Felix Church on
Saturdays at 6.30 p.m. as well as on Sundays at 10.00 a.m.
[also on-line via our YouTube channel]

We need more volunteers to be stewards at these times to be able to
celebrate Mass safely in our church.

If you are willing to help with this ministry on behalf of the parish,
please speak with Fr. John, Dcn. Huw or Mike Bradshaw.

Thank you.



St Felix Catholic Primary School, Haverhill

Staff Vacancies



We are looking to recruit 3 people to join our happy, inclusive school in September 2021:

- SEND Co-ordinator (closing date 29th April)
- Breakfast Club and After School Wraparound Leader (closing date 22nd April)
- Breakfast Club and After School Wraparound Assistant (closing date 22nd April)

All three posts are part time and term-time only. For further details, please contact the school: admin@st-felixrc.suffolk.sch.uk or visit our school website: <https://www.stfelixhaverhill.com>

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 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

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.

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]

- 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.
- Pray for the success of global vaccination programmes to control the current pandemic.
- 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 people who celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter and entered fully into the community and life of the Church.
- Pray for our children who have begun their classes in preparation to celebrate the Eucharist for the first time in the summer.
- 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:

Paddy Cassidy, Winifred Wingate-Marsh, Elizabeth Faherty,
Danny Lind, Jaime de Almeda Costa, John Mahoney.

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 April, **Pope Francis** asks us to join him in praying for

Fundamental rights:

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

**CELEBRATING THE LORD'S RESURRECTION with FLOWERS
in St Felix Church [Easter 2021]**



Donations towards the cost of the flowers were received in memory of Mary and Ray Banham, Edie and Fred Barker, Lily and Jack Mann, Derek Cutler and deceased members of the Cutler family,

**Planned Giving Envelopes
for 2021-2022**

If you usually give your offertory donation to our parish using a weekly and/or monthly planned giving envelope the boxes of envelopes for 2021-2022 are now available in church.
Please collect your box.
Thank you.

***St Felix
EASTER CRAFTS.***

*THANK YOU
for your support
enabling us to raise a
further £180
towards a permanent
live-streaming system
in our church.*

BISHOP ALAN'S EASTER MESSAGE:

On the way of the Cross, blood is mingled with tears – the Blood of Christ, and the tears of the Virgin Mary, of St Mary Magdalene, the women, and St John. With the saints leading us, by faith we know that we ourselves have walked along that way of the Cross.

It is part of the Christian mystery that our own lives are caught up in the life of Christ. Our own passion is absorbed by his compassion. Not a drop of our tears, blood or sweat falls to ground without being touched and transformed by those of Christ. Nothing is wasted by God. His guiding hand draws us through the valley of darkness into the brightness of the empty tomb, where he weaves human thorns into crowns.

All of us have been walking a long way of the Cross this year. And we continue to walk it. Suffering brings strong reactions, whether to those of Christ on the Cross, or of my own personal suffering, that of my neighbour or of the whole human family. As was the case with the saints, we can be left incoherent, confused and lonely.

Looking at our wounds, however, we can never forget that Jesus, once suffering and once dead, is now alive and present to us, not only in our sentiments, but in reality – his real, sacramental Presence before us.

At Easter, and every day in the celebration of the Mass and in the Church's whole life of worship, proclamation, and love, we are reminded that the horror of Calvary is not the end of our story.

The mystery of the Resurrection breaks into our confusion with a bright and radiating change for the better. Nothing can ever be the same again. Men and women can never remain exactly the same. The truth and brightness of the Resurrection shattering our prison bars is not a distant theory, but our real, Christian experience of a life of faith in the Risen Lord. Our co-operation with God's guiding hand over time gradually changes the way we act, and how we read the signs of the times within and around us. After tragedy, God re-creates. Wounds remain, but with eyes of faith focussed in hope on God's promises, we may see the vitality of his new creation.

We have received the gift of new life through, with, and in Jesus Christ for a particular purpose: to enable us to see his guiding hand in our lives, that no wound is wasted, and that always and everywhere, we may give thanks to him, as we sing, Alleluia!

Rt Rev Alan Hopes, Bishop of East Anglia

A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

Happy Easter – Jesus is Risen. Alleluia!

Wishing you and your families every blessing for the Easter Season. Thank you for all your cards and prayers and wishes for Easter and for your generous Easter Offering of £300.

From this weekend we are now able, again, to celebrate our Saturday evening Mass at 6.30 p.m. and our Sunday Morning Mass at 10 a.m. in Church and online from church. Our weekday Masses, for now, will remain online only.

Anyone who has previously been a steward for any of our Masses and wishes to do so now 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.

All our Masses continue to be available on our live stream YouTube channel. The link for our YouTube channel where you can find our live streamed Masses is:

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

Our Masses are currently being live streamed using my mobile phone. We have a quote for a permanent system to be installed into our church which would be more secure and provide better quality of sound and picture for all celebrating with us at home, and also could be available outside of normal published Mass times. For this to be installed we need to upgrade the current internet and broadband connection to the church and have the system installed. This will cost in the region of £7000. Any donations are welcome to enable this to take place during the coming months.

Please keep everyone in our parish family, our local communities, across our country and world; your family and friends very much in your prayers, as I will also. 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 either 01440 704142 or Deacon Huw on 07399 163718. If you need to contact one of us, please do so.

In the meantime, let us pray for everyone in our parish family, in our wider community and for our families and friends. We especially keep our NHS and its dedicated hard-working staff in our prayers.

Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers for Easter. Keep safe.

Fr John and Deacon Huw

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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.

Please pray for our children who have begun their preparation classes to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in the summer. Remember them and their families as they continue on their journeys in faith, hope and love.

With my prayers for a happy and holy Easter season,
Angela Wilson [*Children's Liturgy Group*]

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WEEK	DOORS	CLOSED
FEAR	PEACE	HANDS
FORGIVE	THOMAS	HOLES
FINGER	EIGHT	BELIEVE

