



**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,
HAVERHILL**

**The
TRANSFIGURATION
of the LORD**

Sunday 06 August 2023
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Psalter – Week 2

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS:

Saturday 12th August – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu & Anu Anto

Saturday 19th August – Jili Jijo, Stella Melvin, Diony Jose & Bindhu Roy

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS:

Sunday 6th August – Buendia Family & Ron White

Sunday 13th August – Pat & PJ Sheehy and Annette Field

Dear Friends,

This weekend, in the midst of the summer, we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This Feast draws us into the mystery of God and is the story of a glimpse of glory. Every year the church goes mountain climbing. We go, like Peter, James and John did, following Jesus. At the mountain top we see him as he really is. The glory of God shines. But why climb to see this light? We climb the mountain of Transfiguration to spend time with the Lord, in a moment of time. Peter said it is good for us to be here.

When Jesus arrived at the mountain top he changed and shone with a brightness which reflects God's love to each one of us. For Peter, James and John it was so good to be there that Peter made a plan without listening: how about we prolong this moment Lord? To set up a camp, tents for the Lord, for Elijah and for Moses. That, of course was not the point. Jesus was facing the long journey to another mountain, where he would be lifted higher. Jesus knew that ahead was the long walk to the cross, with all its possible escapes and side-tracks. He called his friends and us to walk with him, to the cross and to resurrection, when we see again the glory of God revealed.

We climb to share the vision that Peter, James and John saw, and to be strengthened by it to help us along our faith journey. For God gives us this vision today and the strength we need to face all that life gives us. The glimpse that we hear about today of Jesus' glory on the holy mountain is the foretaste of heaven; the image of humanity as God intended us to be.

With every blessing and prayers,

Fr John



Karen Nunn RIP

The Funeral Service for Karen will take place at:

3 p.m. on Tuesday 8th August at St Felix Church.

All are welcome to come and pray for Karen and with, and for, her family and friends at this time.

Karen will be buried in the cemetery at Clare following the service at St Felix.



**Feast of the
ASSUMPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Tuesday 15th August**

You are welcome to come and
celebrate the
Feast of the Assumption
on 15th August,

Masses will be celebrated
at 10 a.m and 7.30 p.m at St Felix.

One of the priests from
St Edmunds in Bury St Edmunds
will be here to celebrate with us.
This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS NOW TAKING
A SUMMER BREAK.**

Sessions will recommence on **Sunday 10th September 2023**

***We would welcome more parent helpers -
please see Angela Wilson if you would like to help from September.***

During the summer break you may wish to use the CaFOD resources at
<https://cafod.org.uk/education/children-s-liturgy>
to continue helping your children to understand the Liturgy of the Word.
Simply follow the link and scroll down to the correct Sunday

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE
and all places of conflict around the world

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years
to resolve our conflicts by our own powers
and by the force of arms.

How many moments of hostility and darkness
have we experienced;

how much blood has been shed;
how many lives have been shattered;
how many hopes have been buried...?

But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid!

Grant us peace, teach us peace;
guide our steps in the way of peace.

Open our eyes and our hearts,
and give us the courage to say;

'Never again war!'; 'With war everything is lost'.

Instil in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps
to achieve peace.

Renew our hearts and minds,

So that the word which always brings us together
will be 'brother', 'sister'

and our way of life will always be that of:

Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

from a prayer for Peace by Pope Francis

Items for the newsletter should be sent to

stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com

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 all people who have requested prayers through our 'Intentions Book'.
- Please remember in your prayers members of our Parish who are housebound or being cared for in our local care and nursing homes.
- Pray for Pope Francis, for his physical and spiritual health and strength.
- Pray for people who are lonely, or separated from family and friends
- Pray for people and environments severely affected by climate change. Pray that nations will work together responsibly to stop and reverse this.
- Pray for peace in all areas affected by wars and conflict.
- Pray for people whose income is insufficient to meet their needs, Remember the work of 'REACH' in your prayers.
- Pray for people seeking employment and those unable to work
- Pray that all producers of food and commodities receive just treatment and fair recompense for their labour and products.
- Pray for prisoners, their families and those who work with them. Remember especially all those associated with HMP Highpoint.
- Pray for the pupils and staff of St Felix School on their summer break. Pray for all pupils and students preparing to move on to the next stage in their education and/or their adult lives.
- Pray for Fr. John, Dcn, Huw, and all the people of our parish.

Pray for all we know and love who have died, and for those who grieve.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Joan Downey, Alice Warner, John Irish, James Moran, Albie Clark,
Margaret Keenan Platt, James McLoughlin.

During Summer [until September], we are asked to pray for Deeper Understanding between Christians & Jews, Those Who Suffer Persecution, Those who are Oppressed and Denied Their Human Rights, Human Life, Europe and Seafarers,

In August **Pope Francis** asks us to pray with him for:

WORLD YOUTH DAY.

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

IN NEED of HELP...

If you are aware of anyone who is, or will be, in serious need of help during the current and ongoing cost of living crisis, please speak to Fr. John or you can contact 'Reach'



Need help. Don't wait. Get in touch.
Our friendly team of advisers are here, 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



Foodbank Shopping List

- Jam
- Fruit juice
- Coffee
- Custard
- Shower gel
- Cream Crackers

NOW YOU CAN SEE OUR NEEDS IN REAL-TIME
Download the **FREE** app via www.bankthefood.org
to get regular updates of our food shortages.

Currently 72% of

Reach

debt clients are facing eviction from their homes in addition to other difficulties at this time.

Reach's summer appeal is

HELP SAVE HOMES

Any donation, however small, will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks to a generous funder your donation could currently be doubled to a maximum of £50

www.ReachHaverhill.org.uk

follow links through
'Want to help?'



World Youth Day, which takes place every 3 years, is a gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It aims to provide all participants with an experience of universal Church fostering a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. WYD seeks to promote peace, unity and fraternity among peoples and nations around the world.

The 2023 WYD is being held in Lisbon, Portugal.

Please prayer for Pope Francis and all the participants of the 2023 World Youth Day, especially the pilgrims from our own diocese.

Dcn. Huw will be with these pilgrims from 26th July to 7th August.



Dcn Huw sent this photo of our pilgrims following the celebration of a joyful and very lively Mass in many languages, in Porto do Lima last Saturday (29th)

Other photos of the East Anglia WYD pilgrims can be seen on the Diocesan website: www.rcdea.org.uk

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Fr John will be away from the parish from Wednesday 9th until Friday 25th August in Lourdes,

Fr John will be working with the Hospitality Notre Dame de Lourdes (HNDL) from 11th to 18th August on a 'stage', and then he will join our Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage from Friday 18th to Friday 25th August.

[Dcn.Huw will also be with the Diocesan pilgrims from August 18th to 25th]

Fr John will remember the parish family in his prayers at the Grotto and will light a candle for the parish.

Any personal intentions you wish Fr John to take to Lourdes please put through the presbytery door (3 Wentworth Terrace) or email to Fr John (john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk) no later than Tuesday 8th August. Thank you.

The HNDL is a voluntary organisation open to all people aged 17 and over to work in partnership with the Shrine at Lourdes, to welcome, help and support all pilgrims and visitors to the Shrine, especially those who need any assistance and care. All volunteers are given training and learn about the meaning and spirit of Lourdes during their 'Stage' which is usually for 6 days.

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend 22nd/23rd July 2023

Standing orders: £359.00

Collection: £306.08

Total: £665.08

Collection for the weekend 29th/30th July 2023

Standing orders: £359.00

Collection: £243.40

Total: £602.40

£75 for our 100 Club

Future Second Collections:

16th/17th September – Home Mission Sunday [support for the work and mission of the local church in England and Wales]

Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish Community

HYMNS – SUNDAY MORNING MASS

*There will not be any music during the 10.00 a.m.
Sunday Mass throughout August.*

*The choir members and musicians are having a well-
deserved rest/holiday!*



Annual Mission Appeal

Over the weekend of 12th – 13th August we welcome Fr Denis Carter SSC who will be celebrating our Weekend Masses and making an appeal for the Columban Mission.

There will be a second collection for this appeal and Fr Denis will have some envelopes available for gift aid donations.

Missio Appeal 2023

Over the weekend of 19th – 20th August we welcome Fr Kevin Hughes MHM who will be celebrating our Weekend Masses and making an appeal for Missio.

Many of you already have the Red Missio boxes - thank you for your continued support.

Murry Staight, our local Secretary for Missio in our parish will be available at both Sunday Masses for this appeal and you are invited, if you don't already have a Red Missio Collecting Box, to consider taking one.



SUNDAY 6th AUGUST

**TEA, COFFEE or COLD DRINK
after 10 a.m. Mass**

***Please
stay for a cuppa and a chat***

KEEP HAVERHILL RECYCLING

RECYCLE MANY ITEMS WHICH
CANNOT CURRENTLY BE
RECYCLED THROUGH THE
COUNCIL BLUE
RECYCLING BIN.

*TETRA PAK drink cartons.

(Please wash and flatten the cartons and leave the lid on)

*SMALL ELECTRICAL ITEMS

(such as hair dryers, DVD players, torches, coffee makers, radios etc.
Please remove any batteries)

*EMPTY MEDICINE BLISTER PACKS *PENS, MARKERS AND FELT TIPS

*PRINTER CARTRIDGES *BATTERIES *COFFEE PODS

*TOOTHPASTE TUBES AND TOOTHBRUSHES

*MIXED FLEXIBLE PLASTICS

which must be clean, free from food, dry with sticky labels removed.

PLEASE BRING THESE ITEMS TO US ON HAVERHILL MARKET

Next collection date: Sat. 12th August

****Volunteers urgently needed to help with the monthly collections. Have you got 3 hours to spare on the second Friday or Saturday each month? Please message via our Facebook page to express an interest****

THE SWALLOWS RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME

Fr John was recently asked to bless the Swallows Care Home, on Copy Hill, just outside Haverhill. During his visit, Donna the manager asked if any parishioners would be interested in coming to the home from time to time to visit the residents and enjoy a cuppa and a chat, either at 11 a.m or from 2 p.m.

If you would like to know more about this and may be interested in offering some of your time to visit the residents at The Swallows, please speak to Fr John. *Thank you.*

AMAZING PHOTOGRAPH! – a timely gift (I think) via Facebook as we celebrate The Transfiguration of the Lord

A photo taken in Brazil. The photographer said he waited 3 yrs to take it. Fantastic.

The photographer is Leonardo Sens of Brazil, who shot it June 4, 2023



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 1]

FEAST of the TRANSFIGURATION of the LORD

Saturday 5th August: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 6th August: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Eileen Body RIP*

Eighteenth Week of the Year:

Wednesday 9th August: NO MASS TODAY

Thursday 10th August: NO MASS TODAY

Friday 11th August: NO MASS TODAY

NINETEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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

Sunday 13th August: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Stella & Joe Mesquita RIP*
Jacqui M-Morris RIP

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND
CONFESSIONS on a Saturday evening will not be available
until Saturday 26th August.

**If you need to speak with myself or Deacon Huw,
please call me on 01440 702156 or
Deacon Huw on 07399 163718 on our return.**

Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers
Fr John and Deacon Huw