

Dear Friends,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity. The most important dimension of our Trinitarian God is the community of love and persons, modelled for us in the mystery of the Holy Trinity. For us, the Trinity is the primary symbol of a community that is held together by containing diversity within itself. It is the community which models this for us and invites us to live lives of dialogue, communication, love, unity and peace.

When we reflect on the Most Holy Trinity we are called into a relationship with the One who is our creator and our Lord. We are led into deeper communion with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

When we begin our prayers, whether as individuals or a community, we do so by making the sign of the cross and calling on the power and presence of the Trinity. When we pray *glory be...*, we do the same. We deliberately and consciously ask the Trinity to be part of prayer and our daily life.

Perhaps on this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity we could say these prayers more slowly and deliberately, and allow their meaning to become part of us in a more intimate and personal way.

Dcn. Huw

**The Ignite Team is recruiting new members
for September 2020 to July 2021**

Looking for a new challenge in September?

The Diocesan Youth Service is seeking applications from 18-35 year olds to join the Ignite Team for 2020-2021.

Spend a year sharing the Gospel message with children and young people across East Anglia, developing new skills and growing in your faith.

Accommodation, food and other living expenses are provided plus a £200 monthly allowance. Ideal as a 'gap year' (can be extended).

For more information visit www.rcdea.org.uk/youth
or email Ciaran on igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk.

New items for the newsletter can be sent by email to:

stfelixnewsletter@gmail.com

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



PARISH OF ST. FELIX
**THE MOST
HOLY TRINITY**

Sunday 7th June 2020

[Psalter Week 2]

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**NO CHURCH SERVICES until further notice
(our church remains fully closed)**

LITURGY of the WORD – The Most Holy Trinity (07.06.2020)

1st reading: *Lord, Lord a God of tenderness and compassion.*
Exodus chapter 34 verses 4-6, 8-9

Psalm: *To you glory and praise for evermore*
Daniel chapter 3 verses 52-56.

2nd reading: *The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit*
2 Corinthians chapter 13 verses 11-13

Gospel: *God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved*
The Gospel according to John chapter 3 verses 16-18

An Alternative Act of Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
I come before you at this Mass,
in this way,
seeking your blessing
and offering you my life.

I am not able to receive you
in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood
but I have received the grace
of being called into your presence.

May my present hunger for the Eucharist,
my longing to be reunited with you, Lord,
and your holy people,
lead me to a deeper appreciation
of my faith and its place in my life.

During these days, in particular,
and during this Year of the Word,
may I draw strength and nourishment
from the Scriptures:
the Gospels which speak directly of you,
and those passages with which you
opened the minds of the disciples
on the Road to Emmaus.

Amen

(cf. St George's RC Church, Norwich website... with thanks)



SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

Although we are not able to use our church at the moment, the parish still has regular financial commitments to meet, even though we are not currently able to make our weekly offertory in church. If you usually give to the parish in this way would you please consider setting up a standing order to make your regular payment, if you are able to do this. You could also make single payments through your bank as and when you can. The parish bank details are:- **Account name: ST FELIX CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

Sort code: 60-10-21

Account number: 90018850

PRAYER INTENTIONS

*"... if there is anything you need, pray for it,
asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving" (Philippians 4:6)*

**Please pray for all who are sick, those who are anxious or troubled,
and for all those requesting our prayers:**

*[As we cannot put our intentions in our prayer intentions book in church
at the present time please send them to linda.pector@gmail.com
if you would like to do so, to be included here]*

- Pray for all who are sick, that they may recover speedily and fully.
- Pray for all health workers, carers and essential workers, especially the many who are members of our parish family.
- Pray for staff, pupils and parents as children begin to return to school.
- Pray for those of us for whom the anxieties, struggles and trials of shielding or not shielding continue.
- Pray for people worried about their future employment.
- ✠ Pray for the repose of the soul of **Louisa Lee** who died recently, and for the consolation of her family and friends.

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:

Ellen Mullins, William Dempsey, Emma Bevan, Annie Finlay,
Christine Christie, Eva Wright, Thomas Latham, Rose Convey.

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

A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those
experiencing Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights;
Human Life; Europe; Seafarers.

Pray with Pope Francis:

In June Pope Francis asks us to join him in praying for

The Way of the Heart.

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing
themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

LITURGY of the WORD

Bishop Alan has asked Deacon Huw to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in St. Felix Church when he can. Dcn. Huw will be alone, behind closed, locked doors. However we can unite with him from home, reading and reflecting on the day's readings using a Missal if we have one, or a Bible.

10.00 a.m. 7th June – The Holy Trinity

Readings for Sunday are listed above.

6.00 p.m. Tuesday 9th June

1 Kings 17 v. 7-16. Psalm: 4 v. 2-5, 7-8.

The Gospel according to Matthew: 5 v. 13-16

6.00 p.m. Wednesday 10th June

1 Kings 18 v.20-39, Psalm: 15 v. 1-2, 4-5, 8, 11

The Gospel according to Matthew: 5 v. 17-19

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales has produced a **Directory of 'Live-streamed' Catholic Masses** in different locations, at different times and in different languages.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

'Radio Maria England' broadcasts Masses and other prayers.

DAB: Radio Maria England (Band 11C 220.352 MHz)

Radio Maria can also be accessed through the 'Tune-in' app on any smartphone.

CaFOD EMERGENCY CORONAVIRUS APPEAL

"Coronavirus is a tsunami heading towards the homes of millions of poor communities who have nothing to protect themselves from its devastating impacts," [Christine Allen, CAFOD's Director.]

Search Cafod Coronavirus Appeal to donate



Planning for re-opening of St Felix church.

OUR CHURCH REMAINS CLOSED and, as yet, there is no date for re-opening. This decision will be made by the Catholic Bishops' Conference for England and Wales (CBCEW) in consultation with the government.

These are challenging times. We're going to play our full part in it. That was the call of St. Paul - that we ought to be good citizens, and today we ought to be good citizens playing our part in the protection of the vulnerable, in our support for the NHS and in the preserving of human life, which is so precious to God in the face of this virus. – Cardinal Vincent Nichols

The CBCEW have approached the government for permission to re-open churches for **private prayer – not services** - since the control of numbers, social distancing and specific hygiene measures are still required.

Bishop Alan has sent guidelines to parishes for developing plans for the re-opening of churches for private prayer when we are able to do this. The Parish Pastoral Council has been asked to help with these plans for St. Felix. It is our hope that, when permission is given, our church can be opened for a few hours several times a week. You will be given full details when they are available.

One of the principal requirements will be for 'church guardians' to be present at all times to ensure that numbers of people are controlled, entrance and exit routes are followed, social distancing is maintained, and sanitising is carried out between visits.

If you are happy to volunteer as a 'church guardian' [training will be provided] please let me know your availability. I do not envisage anyone taking on this role for more than one hour at a time and would prefer to keep to a half hourly rota so that the task is not too onerous.

If you just want to talk, please feel free to call me – but please note I am working at the prison so may not be immediately available.

Dcn Huw ☺

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Wall mural in Minneapolis, USA

A Statement by the
CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE of ENGLAND & WALES

Bishops stand in solidarity with US sisters and brothers as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd

Wednesday, June 3rd, 2020

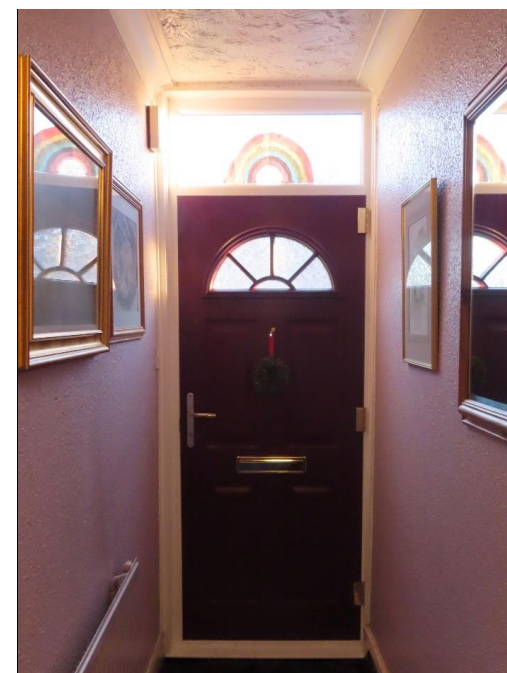
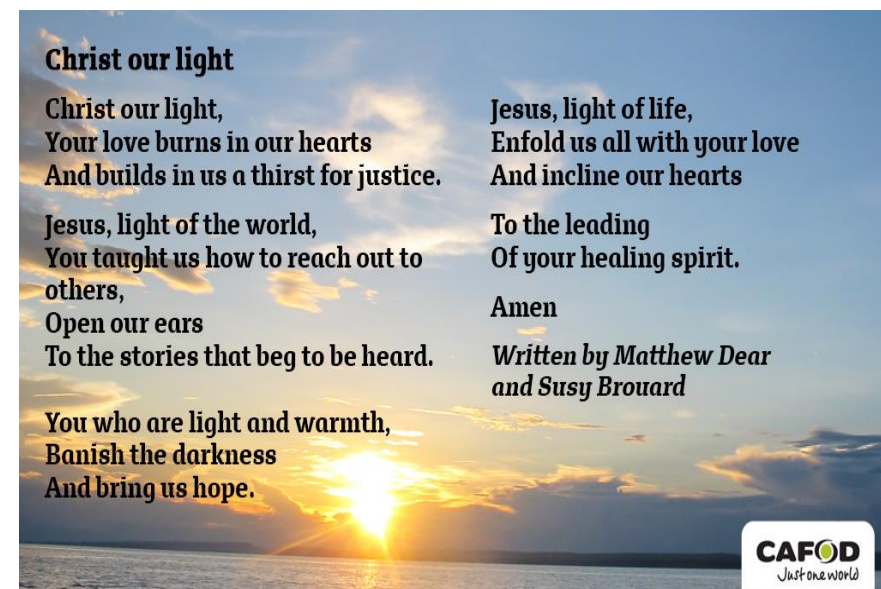
"We stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the USA as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd. As the US Bishops made clear: "we cannot turn a blind eye to these atrocities and yet still try to profess to respect every human life. We serve a God of love, mercy, and justice."

"Systemic racism is embedded in our own society. The disproportionate harm suffered by BAME people throughout the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted profound inequalities, marginalisation and injustice here in the UK. The peaceful Black Lives Matter protests taking place in our towns and cities this week reflect the understandable anger that so many people feel about this.

"As Catholics we recognise that racism is an evil which must be opposed; we all have a responsibility for actively promoting racial justice. Whenever we ignore racism or dismiss BAME people's experience of it, we are complicit in violations of human dignity. We pray for God's help to overcome racism in all its forms and that we might protect everyone who suffers its consequences. We are all made in God's image."

Bishop Declan Lang
Lead Bishop for International Affairs

Bishop Paul McAleenan
Lead Bishop for Racial Justice



Zoë says, "This image symbolises hope in the isolation for me.
-So much light and so many rainbows!
'All manner of things shall be well.' Mother Julian."

ST. FELIX YOUNG PARISHIONERS

I hope you and your families continue to keep well. The Children's Liturgy Group are keeping you all in our prayers each day. Remember many churches are live-streaming Sunday Mass and other masses and services during the week. There are details in this newsletter.

Children's Liturgy activities for Holy Trinity Sunday are in the file sent out with this newsletter

Parents, please continue to encourage the children to keep their church activities in a folder of some kind, and when we are back together, they could bring it into church and we will celebrate what they have done.

Keep safe and well. With best wishes and prayers,

Angela Wilson, Children's Liturgy Group

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Salford Diocese Office for Liturgy



Please donate at local stores:

Small jars coffee, tea bags, long life milk and juice, sugar, tinned vegetables and fruit, toiletries and hygiene products.

THINGS OF JOY...



Thanks to Sue A. I now know that this is the **Purple or Common salsify.**

It is also known as oyster plant, vegetable oyster, Jerusalem star, Jack-go-to-bed-at-noon and goatsbeard. In addition to its beauty, it is also edible, from its carrot/parsnip like roots [which apparently have an oyster taste] to its leaves, flowers and seeds which can be used in soups, salads and even sandwiches!

I don't think I'll be eating it, but I will continue to enjoy it.

Linda



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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"How do you divide your love among four children?"

"I don't divide it. I multiply it."