

**WELCOME TO THE
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ST. BERNARD COGGESHALL & ST JOHN HOUGHTON TIPTREE
(Twinned with St Joseph's Mission, Besters, KwaZulu-Natal)**

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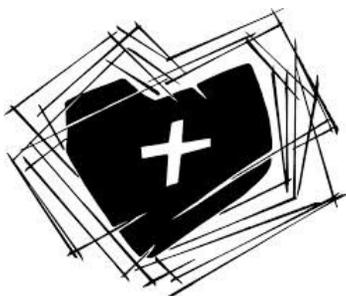
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

2nd September 2018

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF YEAR

*You put aside the commandment of God
to cling to human traditions.*

First Reading	Dt 4:1-2. 6-8
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 14:2-5
Second Reading	Jm 1:17-18. 21-22. 27
Gospel	Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY: How do we know God's Law and follow it? God created human beings to know him, to love him and to serve him in this world and to be happy with him for ever in the next. This means that our human nature is orientated towards God and that some basic values follow from this, e.g. respect for life. It is possible for all human beings to come to some appreciation of these basic laws simply by reflecting on human nature. However, left to our own devices we can get things wrong and this is why God gave Moses a more specific set of rules to live by, the Ten Commandments. Because they are revealed by God they apply to every human being, even if lack of awareness provides an excuse. Applying these in the concrete situations of everyday life is often difficult and so human teachers try to provide more detailed guidance. The rabbis described these as 'setting a hedge about the Law' so that people would not come close to breaking it. The danger is that these can take over and we can lose sight of the basic principles they are intended to protect. In today's Gospel Jesus finds fault with the scribes and Pharisees for focussing on external purity but ignoring purity of heart. We need to avoid the two extremes of ticking boxes with our conduct and giving so much weight to our good intentions that putting them into practice seems of minor importance. Integrity of life calls for both good intentions and good actions.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick and housebound.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember *Gerald Dunn, Delia Sach, Gloria Elik-Glammeye, John Disley, Marta Farkas, Sally Heath, Ellen Barron, Derek Pike, Irene Smith, George Cornet* and *Tita Madden* whose anniversaries occur at this time.

FIRST COMMUNIONS 2019: If you would like your child to receive his or her First Communion in 2019, please complete and return an application form, available at the back of the Church, as soon as possible, certainly before half term, so that we can organise a preliminary parents' meeting and order the necessary materials.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019: To apply for a place at a Catholic Primary or Secondary school parents need to complete a supplementary information form, signed by the parish priest, or a certificate of 'Catholic Practice', which provides information on the level of religious practice so establish which admissions category the child should be ascribed to. Please see the school websites for details and application forms. The 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' is obtained directly from the parish priest and attests that the child attends Mass in the parish every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, barring exceptions such as illness and does not allow for any flexibility in this regard. However it is relevant only if the school is oversubscribed in this category.

PILGRIMAGE TO CANTERBURY: Due to the larger than expected number of parishioners registered on our pilgrimage list, we have now booked a 49 seats coach instead of the 29 we had booked previously. **This means that we have few extra seats available.** The lists are still in place at the back of the three churches for late bookings. The price remains £18 per head. However, if any of you would like to book a **Guided Tour**, we need to book by September 13th and have at least 12 people in the group with an additional cost of £6 per person. We are also trying to arrange a **Fish & Chips meal** in what I have been told is the best place in Canterbury! We need to know how many people would like to take this option in order to negotiate the price and book a time to eat. **PLEASE, REGISTER YOUR PREFERENCES ON THE LIST AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.** Thank you!

ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC AREA FESTIVAL: A Special One-day Come and Sing Event for Choirs and Individual Singers led by James Davy, Master of the Music, Chelmsford Cathedral (Saturday 29th September) and featuring the music of Martin Shaw who died 60 years ago in 1958. All choirs and individual singers are welcome. Registration 10.00 a.m. Festival Service 4.00 p.m. Registrations and requests for the booklet containing the music (£5) to be used in the Festival to Shirley Timmins, 156 Warley Hill, Brentwood, CM14 5HF. Telephone (answerphone) 01277 233302 or e-mail shirleytimmins@btinternet.com or through the website www.rscm-eel.org.uk.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR PARISH AUTUMN FAYRE: Baked goods for our tea room/cake stall; bottles for the bottle tombola (please no Fruit Shoots); jams/chutneys/etc., produce, and plant cuttings for our produce stall (please no seeds). Please leave in the back of the churches or bring down to **St. John Houghton Friday 28th September** between **10.00 a.m.- 12.00 p.m.** or Saturday the 29th anytime after 9.00 a.m.

THE GREAT PARISH BAKE OFF: Entry forms now available for The Great Parish Bake-Off. There are four categories: sponge; cupcakes; biscuits; and fruitcakes. Entry is £2.50 per category (proceeds going back to the Parish). Why not better your chances of winning by entering more than one category? A big **thank you** to Val Bartlett and Lesley Grimshaw who have volunteered to judge the Bake-off with Father Gordon. Good luck to all that enter! If you'd like more information please see/contact **Gloria Streat 01621 819698/ glo146@aol.com**

FOODBANK: There is a new food list for **September** on the notice board. It includes items such as long life juice, chocolate bars (e.g. KitKat/Penguins etc.) pasta sauce, cold tinned meats, tinned fruit, tinned spaghetti, tinned sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, packet soup (e.g. Knorr or Cuppa Soups), sugar, coffee, toilet rolls, nappies (all sizes), toiletries (shower gel, toothpaste, deodorant etc.).

AUTUMN SPIRITUALITY TALK: Conference Centre, Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT **Saturday 15th September 2018** - 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon. **Topic: One Bread One Body. Speaker: Thomas McMahon, Bishop Emeritus of Brentwood.** For further details: tel. 01277265285 email: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Morning & Evening Prayer: Week 2**

SUNDAY 2nd September <i>22nd Sunday of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners James Sheldrake RIP Private Intention
MONDAY 3rd September <i>St Gregory the Great</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Beatrice Graffy RIP
TUESDAY 4th September <i>St Cuthbert</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Gloria Elik-Glammeyer (anniversary) <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 5th September	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 6th September	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
FRIDAY 7th September	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SATURDAY 8th September <i>Nativity of BVM</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Doris Eary (Genevive RIP)
SUNDAY 9th September <i>23rd Sunday of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Teresa Hall (anniversary) Dec'd Serafino, Muzzio, Raiciche, Terranova & Elik Families All Parishioners

*Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. with
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.*

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS AND MINISTERS OF WELCOME
Please refer to your Liturgical rota.