

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 2			
SUNDAY 1st April <i>Palm Sunday</i>	Coggeshall	9.00 a.m.	In thanksgiving for those received into Communion Easter 1992
	Kelvedon	11.00 a.m.	Mrs Flanagan RIP
	Tiptree	5.15 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
	Tiptree	6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners
MONDAY 2nd April	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
	Kelvedon	7.30-8.30 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
TUESDAY 3rd April	Kelvedon	8.00 a.m.	Private Intention
	Tiptree	11.00 a.m.	<i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 4th April	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 5th April <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	<i>Mass of the Lord's Supper, with washing of feet, procession to altar of repose and watching:</i> All Parishioners
	Kelvedon	3.00 p.m.	<i>Solemn Liturgy of the Passion, with veneration of the cross and Holy Communion</i>
FRIDAY 6th April <i>Good Friday</i> (Fast & Abstinence)	Coggeshall	6.30 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
	Tiptree	7.30 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
	Kelvedon	9.30-10.00 a.m.	<i>Confessions</i>
SATURDAY 7th April <i>Holy Saturday</i>	Coggeshall	10.30-11.00 a.m.	<i>Confessions</i>
	Tiptree	11.30-12.00 noon	<i>Confessions</i>
	Kelvedon	8.00 p.m.	<i>Mass of the Easter Vigil with blessing of new fire, and the Paschal Candle, the prophecies, blessing of the font and renewal of baptismal promises:</i> All Parishioners
	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SUNDAY 8th April <i>Easter Sunday</i>	Coggeshall	11.00 a.m.	Intention Antczak Family
	Kelvedon	6.00 p.m.	Private Intention
	Tiptree		
Sacrament of Reconciliation: SEE ABOVE FOR THIS SATURDAY			

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PALM SUNDAY

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

First Reading: Is 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9.17-20.23-24

Second Reading: Ph 2:6-11

Gospel: Mk 13:1-15:47



PALM SUNDAY: This year the Gospel at the entrance and the Passion are taken from St Mark's Gospel. Please join in the parts marked for the crowd in the Mass books or your missal. The Liturgy is not a Passion Play, where we are actors or spectators. It is an act or worship that reaches across the boundaries of time and space. Just as at the Pass-over Supper the Jews of today identify with past generations back to the time of Moses, so we are intended to identify with the crowds. It was for our sins that Jesus gave his life on the cross. We cannot point the finger at others – we call for his death and nail him to the cross through our sins of today. Through our baptism he joins us with him in death so that we may rise with him to new life on Easter Day.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Evelyn Shaw, Louise Braun, Patrick Shaw, Tessa Binder, May Collins, Harry Roberts, Sr Mary Pascal OP** and **Richard Clarke** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Diane Batten, Hayley Hetzel, Bill Sullivan, Trisha Parkin, Deborah Lee, Hilda Hawes, Pam Lowth, Hanni Kyan, Sheila Faulkner, Karen Kelly, Sarah Costello, Donovan Buahin, Mike Gibson, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holder, Paul Brittain, Audrey Hopwood** and any unknown to us.

HOLY WEEK: Please see the back of the Newsletter for details of our Holy Week services, including times of confession. On Wednesday the Bishop celebrates the Mass of the Christ at the Cathedral at 7.00 p.m. – all are welcome. On Friday there is the usual Walk of Witness in Tiptree, starting from the Catholic Church at 11.00 a.m. moving to the War memorial and St Luke's. Participants are invited to stay on for part of the Three Hour Service at St Luke's, which will fall into half hour segments. On Saturday there will be a Walk of Witness in Kelvedon – starting with the monthly prayer breakfast at 9.00 a.m. and setting off at 10.00 a.m., moving up the High Street. Please come and join us and help make this a powerful expression of God's kingdom in Kelvedon and Feering. The wonderful ceremonies of the Holy Week Liturgy speak to us in a powerful way through symbolism as well as words – if at all possible do try to take part on Thursday and Friday and to attend the Easter Vigil.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Extra opportunities for Silent Adoration on **Palm Sunday** and **Maundy Thursday**. Those who regularly attend the **Maundy Thursday** service will be familiar with the rota to cover Adoration between the end of the Mass and Midnight. The usual rotas in **20 minute** slots are available at each church for parishioners to offer their names for cover. As an extra opportunity this year, there will be an added opportunity for silent Adoration at each of the churches in the form that has been well supported in the past, bringing blessings on the parish. Exposition will start after the **Tiptree** Mass and continue until **9.00 p.m.** **Coggeshall** will follow from **9.00 p.m.** until **10.30 p.m.** and then **Kelvedon** will follow from **10.30** until **midnight**. Rotas for these sessions are available after Masses today and Ministers of the Eucharist have already agreed to open and close the sessions at each of the churches. We hope for the usual good response from those wishing to offer a little more in terms of Lenten Prayer.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Neil Clench** and **Joanne Robertson** married at Kelvedon yesterday.

IN THANKSGIVING: The 9.00 a.m. Mass is offered in thanksgiving for the six people received into full Communion at Easter 1992: **Beverley Batson, Helen Harley, Steve Smith, Cecil Hillyard (RIP) Patrick Haines** and **Neville Bridgman**.

THE PRAYER OF SILENCE: On the afternoon of Saturday 14th April, (2.00 to 4.30) at Clare Priory, Chris Gent, a busy family man, will share with us his experience of "**the prayer of silence**" and the positive impact that this has had both in his working and family life. There will be some time for quiet prayer and the afternoon will end with tea and cake. For further details and to book a place please contact Kathy 01787 277326.

QUIET PRAYER FOR HEALING: On Thursday 19th April (between 7.00 p.m. and 8.45 p.m.) we have another of our evenings entitled "**Come to me all who are burdened and I will give you rest**". These evenings (led by Fr. Ben and held at Clare Priory) offer you the opportunity to experience **quiet prayer for healing**. It will be a peaceful and reflective time with the opportunity, for those who wish, to be prayed with individually. And there will be no expectation for you to say anything or take part in anything you may just sit quietly. No need to book ... just come.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR FOR ST TERESA'S SCHOOL, LEXDEN: Peter Morgan completes his current term of office soon and as he expects to move away from the area in the near future will not be serving a second term. The school is anxious to keep a link with the parish although at the moment only a handful of our children attend St Teresa's. If you would be interested in contributing to the wellbeing of St Teresa's school in this way, please contact me. This role presumes an interest in Catholic schools and education but not any previous involvement with the school. Training is available at both local and diocesan level.

OASIS OF PEACE MARIAN PRAYER DAY: On Saturday April 28th at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 11 Church Hill, Epping, CM16 4RA, from 10.30 a.m. (with coffee) to 4.00 p.m. Led by Rev. Father Brian McGrath, OFM. Includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Talks, testimonies and discussion. Please bring packed lunch, drinks provided.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 25th March - £887.14**.

WEBSITE: The Sisters at Abbotswick invite you to visit their newly re-launched website www.walsinghamcommunity.org and to take advantage of the glorious spring weather to get to know the Diocesan House of Prayer. Next event: **Sunday 15th April**, Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions starting from 11.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. For further information call 01277 373959.