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## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**1st February 2015**

### ***FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

*He taught them with authority.*

**First Reading: Dt 18:15-20**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9**

**Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:32-35**

**Gospel: Mk 1:21-28**



**FOURTH SUNDAY:** What is a prophet? What does it mean to ‘teach with authority’? In our first reading Moses tells the people that God will send a spokesman to speak his word to them. “I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him.” We tend to think of prophecy as about foretelling the future. While this is sometimes involved, the role of the prophet is really about explaining God’s will and purpose. Often the people will only know whether or not someone is truly a prophet by what happens. By the time of the Second Century BC the people no longer expected God to speak them in this way although they still hoped that one day a true prophet would come – when the Maccabees re-consecrated the Temple, desecrated by King Antiochus, they buried the stones of the desecrated altar until there should come a prophet who would tell them what to do with them. Jesus is seen as a prophet because he is not content, like the teachers of the Law, the scribes, just to pass on what previous generations have taught, but instead speaks directly with the voice of God. The casting out of evil spirits is an important sign for them, not only because it is effective, but because he does not simply pray to the Father to grant deliverance but gives a direct command, “Be quiet! Come out of him!”

**PRAYER NEEDS:** Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially *Mary Cody, Alphonso Ciaravella, Delia Cooch, Kay Smith, Julie Trueman, Audrey Thurlow, Hayley Hetzel, Deborah Lee, Bill Sullivan, Pam Loath, Hani Kyan, Karen Kelly, Sheila Faulkner, Mike Gibson, Donovan Bushing, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Paul Britain, Audrey Hopwood* and any unknown to us.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember *Ellen Cooney, Elizabeth O’Brien, George Parkin, Gillian O’Malley, Terri Casey, James Madden* and *Sr Mary Simon* whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**WE REGRET:** To announce the death of **Mrs Winnie Lawes** of Tiptree. Her funeral will take place at Kelvedon on Friday 13th February at 9.30 a.m. followed by burial at Messing. RIP.

**MASS VARIATIONS:** I have an overnight meeting in Leeds on Wednesday, so on Wednesday Mass will be at 8.00 a.m. and there will be no Thursday morning Mass this week.

**MONTHLY TRIDENTINE MASS:** This Saturday at 12.15 p.m. As usual Confessions and Exposition will run from 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon.

**LENT - DIOCESAN SPIRITUALITY DAY:** **Speaker** - Bishop Alan Williams, *SM*. **Saturday 21st March**, Registration 10.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m. Start – 4.00 p.m. Finish. **Venue:** Cathedral Conference Centre, *Brentwood*. **Cost:** £10 per person. For booking any of the above events/courses, contact the Adult RE & Formation for Ministry office on 01277 265255 or email [are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

**PARISH YOUTH GROUP:** Come and join us on **Friday 6th February** at **6.00 p.m.** in **St Dominic's Room**. We will be playing some games and discussing some ideas for some events later in the year. Everyone is welcome. Please let Pauline know in advance by emailing [pauline@mcaloone.com](mailto:pauline@mcaloone.com) so we can cater accordingly

**SUNDAY WORSHIP:** We are pleased to inform all our Parishes that we here at Brentwood Cathedral have been approached by BBC Radio 4 who will be doing a Live Broadcast of Sunday (Morning) Worship from the Cathedral with the Cathedral Choir and Congregation on Sunday 8th February at the 08.00 am Mass. This will be then be broadcast at 8.10 a.m.

**HEALING MASS:** At Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30 p.m. Wednesday 11th February. All are welcome! Please call 01277 373959 for more information.

**FINANCE:** Offertory collection for **Sunday 25th January - £782.18.**

**IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASONS - LENT & EASTER:** Speaker **Mgr David Manson, Tuesday 10th February, 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.** at Cathedral Conference Centre, Brentwood. *Cost: A Donation.* **THOMAS MERTON, RESTLESS PILGRIM: Speaker - Fr Brian O'Shea, Parish Priest. Monday 16th March, 7.30pm – 9.30 p.m.** at Our Lady of Compassion Parish, Upton Park. *Cost: A Donation.* To book contact the Adult RE & Formation for Ministry Office on 01277 265255 or email [are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

**VALENTINE'S GALA DINNER:** The annual Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Valentine's Gala Dinner is a being held at Stockbrook Golf & Country Club, Billericay on Friday 13th February from 7.30pm. Tickets for this black tie event are £50 per person to include a drinks reception, 3 course dinner with coffee, live entertainment, dancing and much more. To reserve your places at one of our last few tables, as a couple or a group, please contact Julie Abbott on 01268 784544 / 07912277413 or [jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk)

**DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES:** Please join Bishop Alan and parishioners from across the Diocese at Brentwood Cathedral at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday 15th February, for Mass to celebrate one of the Patrons of Brentwood Diocese, in the week of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Many hundreds take part in our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes each year – Cathy O'Connor, the pilgrimage administrator, will be on hand to answer any queries you have, and the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will also be assisting, just as they do in Lourdes. This special celebration will include candles blessed in Lourdes, and everyone is very welcome. There will be refreshments after the Mass. For more information about the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes please visit [www.brentwoodlourdes.org](http://www.brentwoodlourdes.org) or call Cathy on 01206 501146.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:  
Morning & Evening Prayer: Week 4**

<b>SUNDAY</b> 1st February <i>Fourth Sunday of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention J.J. Mullen & Family Deceased All Parishioners
<b>MONDAY</b> 2nd February <i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Betty & Walter Smith RIP
<b>TUESDAY</b> 3rd February <i>St Anne Line</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 4th February	Kelvedon	8.00 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>THURSDAY</b> 5th February <i>St Agatha</i>	Kelvedon Coggeshall	NO MASS 7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
<b>FRIDAY</b> 6th February <i>St Paul Miki &amp; Comps</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Eddie Wall RIP
<b>SATURDAY</b> 7th February [1962: St Romuald]	Kelvedon Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 12.15 p.m.	Secular Clergy New Common Fund <i>Tridentine: Private Intention</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8th February <i>Fifth Sunday of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Richard & Margaret Brown RIP Albert Mason RIP All Parishioners

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon  
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction**

Liturgical Rotas 8th February	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Teresa Hall Clare Gallant	Gabrielle Ruiz	Mollie Blackwell
KELVEDON	Patricia Pike Tom McInally	Vivienne Talbot	Elizabeth Maxted
TIPTREE	Mary Mann	Eileen Roberts	Mary Branney