

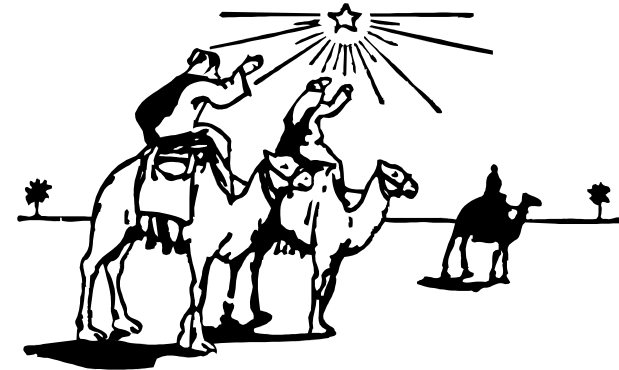
MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS			
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 2			
SUNDAY 3rd January	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Michael Campbell Wood (ann.) David Bartlett (anniversary)
MONDAY 4th January	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving (Roma Royal)
TUESDAY 5th January	Kelvedon Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 6.30-7.30 p.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Peter Eary RIP <i>Prayer for Life Devotions</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 6th January	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	John O'Rourke RIP
THURSDAY 7th January <i>St Raymond of Peñafort</i>	Kelvedon Tollesbury	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Intention Mark Winch Private Intention
FRIDAY 8th January	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Int. Robert & Maria Anthony
SATURDAY 9th January	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Pat Knight RIP
SUNDAY 10th January The Baptism of the Lord	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Stella Bushell (anniversary) Eileen Lobendhan RIP All Parishioners
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m.—11.00 a.m. With Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction			

Liturgical Rotas 10th January	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Sean O'Leary Teresa Hall	Rosemary Gallant	Ann Ross
KELVEDON	Jadwiga Smith Steve Smith	Peter Morgan	Maura Banks
TIPTREE	Sheila Barralet Celia Butt	Danny Mullane	Celia Butt
FINANCE TEAM	Tom McInally & Sean O'Leary		

PARISH OF
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Parish Newsletter

3rd January 2010



The Epiphany

We saw his star and have come to do the king homage.

First Reading	Is 60:1-6
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 71:1-2.7-8.10-13
Second Reading	Eph 3:2-3.5-6
Gospel	Mt 2:1-12

THE EPIPHANY: Here are some thoughts from Odilo of Cluny (962-1049): “We have come from the east to worship the king. This is the day on which Christ was clearly revealed to the world, the day on which he consecrated the sacrament of baptism by receiving it in person, and also the day, according to the belief of the faithful, on which he changed water into wine at the wedding feast...When God is worshipped in the Child, the honour of the virgin birth is revered. When gifts are brought to the God-man, the dignity of the divine motherhood is exalted. When Mary is found with her child, Christ’s true manhood is proclaimed, together with the inviolate chastity of the Mother of God. All this is contained in the evangelist’s statement: And entering the house they found the child with Mary his mother, and bowing down they worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The gifts brought by the wise men reveal hidden mysteries concerning Christ. To offer gold is to proclaim his kingship, to offer incense is to adore his godhead, and to offer myrrh is to acknowledge his mortality. We too must have faith in Christ’s assumption of our mortal nature. Then we shall realize that our two-fold death has been abrogated by the death he died once for all. You will find a description in Isaiah of how Christ appeared as a mortal man and freed us from our debt to death. It is written: He was led like a lamb to the slaughter. The necessity of faith in the kingship of Christ can be demonstrated on divine authority, since he says of himself in one of the psalms: I have been appointed king by him, that is, by God the Father. And speaking as Wisdom personified he claims to be the King of kings, saying: It is through me that kings reign and princes pronounce judgment. As to Christ’s divinity, the whole world created by him testifies that he is the Lord. He himself says in the gospel: All power has been given me in heaven and on earth, and the blessed evangelist declares: All things were made through him, and without him nothing was made.” (Sermon 2 on the Epiphany: PL 142, 997-998)

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Sarah Costello, Dorothy Dodd, Donovan Buahin (aged 5), Marissa Orchard, Mike Gibson, Elliot Chisholm, Frank Joyce, Maria Hoefft, Dwight Page, Rebecca Dillon, Sophie, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holden, May Brown, Eric Bell, Paul Brittain, Conor Franks, Audrey Hopwood, Karen Kelly, Daniel McDermott, Adele Strong, Bert Winch** and any unknown to us.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Bernard Vesmilio, Rachel Evans, John Barrett, Leonard Chamberlain, Michael Vickers, Ted Godden, Joan Shepherd, Kate Warner, Alexandra Hutley, John Moffett, Doreen Rooney and Joseph Martin** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THURSDAY MASS: As usual the first Thursday evening Mass of the month takes place in ‘The Lighthouse’, Tollesbury.

FORTHCOMING EVENT: ‘Take & Read’ led by Fr Adrian Graffy and Anne Dixon at SS Peter & Paul Centre Ilford on 16th January, 10.45 a.m. - 15.30 p.m. Lunch provided. Contact Paul Samuels on 02084780583 or email paul@ssppilford.org.uk

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 27th December - £**

PRAYER FOR LIFE: This Tuesday 6.30-7.30 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration 7.30-8.30 p.m. - Prayers and devotions for unborn children, expectant mothers, those who are tempted by or have undergone abortion, those involved in the Pro-Life Movement, and those involved in the termination of unborn life.

SONGS OF PRAISE AT ABBOTSWICK - TODAY 3rd January at 4.55pm. Tune in to follow Katie’s story of moving from life as an air stewardess to one of formation to be a religious in the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham.

ECUMENICAL STUDY DAY: ‘Understanding Priesthood’ led by **Fr John Farrell OP Provincial** of the English Dominicans. **Saturday 20th February**, 10.30 a.m. - 3.00 p.m. in Brentwood Cathedral Hall. To book a place contact cefdioceesofbrentwood or 01277 265289.

YOUTH MASS: Billericay invite the Youth of the Brentwood Diocese to a Special Youth Mass and Gathering to be held at 8.00 pm on **Friday 8th January 2010** in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Laindon Road, Billericay. The Mass is being said to celebrate the start of *The Most Holy Redeemer Parish Centenary celebrations* which are being held throughout 2010. All the Youth of the Diocese in Year 8 and above (and especially those who haven’t yet returned to College or University after Christmas) are invited to attend. It promises to be a very enjoyable evening that will include refreshments and some live music after the Mass, which will be celebrated by Fr Dominic. If you are planning to attend email mhr2010@mostholyredeemer.org so that catering numbers can be calculated.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS’ LUNCH: Takes place on **Saturday 23rd January** in St Dominic’s Room, Kelvedon. Please take and complete a **blue form** which you will find at the back of the church and return it by **Sunday 17th January** so that we can get an idea of the numbers for catering. Forms can either be given to Fr Gordon or left at the back of the church. For more information contact **Jadwiga** on **01376 570624**, **Miriam** on **01376 570919** or **Pat** on **01376 570806**.