

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 1

SUNDAY 4th April EASTER DAY	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Intention Joachim & Klaus Gross Bert Winch RIP
MONDAY 5th April	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Church in Czech Republic
TUESDAY 6th April	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	NO MASS 11.00-12.00 noon 7.30-8.30 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 7th April	Kelvedon	NO MASS	
THURSDAY 8th April	Kelvedon Coggeshall	NO MASS 8.00-8.30 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
FRIDAY 9th April	Kelvedon	NO MASS	
SATURDAY 10th April	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Phyllis Chine RIP
SUNDAY 11th April Low Sunday <i>Feast of the Divine Mercy</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention Joanne Hayes RIP All parishioners

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

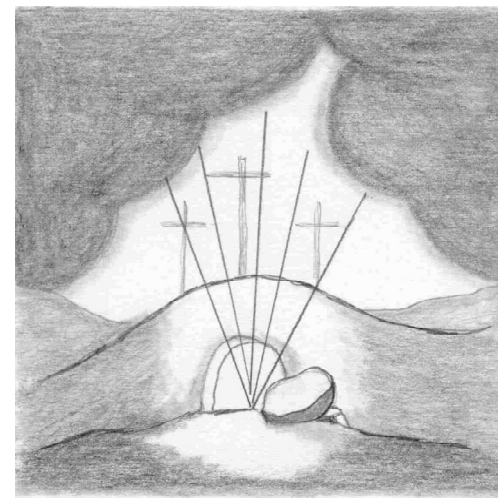
Liturgical Rotas 11th April	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Neville Bridgman Lanette Bridgman	Alice Baker	Ann Ross
KELVEDON	Patricia Pike Helena McNally	Tom McNally	June Jezierski
TIPTREE	Valerie Bartlett Marie Barrett	Danny Mullane	Jude Cody
FINANCE TEAM	Sean O'Leary & Tony Hinds		

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Parish Newsletter

4th April 2010



Easter Sunday

He must rise from the dead

First Reading	Acts 10:34.37-43
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 117:1-2.16-17.22-23
Second Reading	Col 3:1-4
Gospel	Jn 20:1-9

EASTER SUNDAY: “Pounding hearts, wounded hearts and burning hearts. The image of the human heart permeates the beautiful Easter Gospel of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35). It is a very human story, full of pathos; stylized in pattern, and suggesting a Eucharistic celebration (vv 30-32). The disciples come with their questions and doubts (vv 13-24); the Scriptures are recited (v 27); words of clarification and instruction are exchanged on the road (vv 25-27); and finally, the moment of recognition comes in the context of a meal (v 31). When we meet the disciples on the road to Emmaus, it is evening, and the glow of that first Easter day has begun to fade. Resurrection for them is nothing more than a rumour or a tale. Buried beneath their verbal exchange lies a deep yearning and a holy hunger. Intimately intertwined with their scepticism is their hope, and their need for God to be alive, vibrant and present. But the baggage of their doubt, sadness and despair impedes the fervour of their faith. They fail to recognize Jesus. Without being aware of what they are really saying along the road, the two disciples profess many of the central elements of the creed of the Christian faith, yet they remain blind to the necessity of the Messianic suffering predicted in the Scriptures. They are so caught up with their own sadness that they fail to recognize Jesus.

The stranger on the road to Emmaus takes the scepticism and curiosity of the disciples and weaves them into the fabric of the Scripture. Jesus challenges them to reinterpret the events of the past days in light of the Scriptures. However, Cleopas and his companion are "foolish and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have said!" (v 25) The nightfall at Emmaus is not only the sunset of that first Easter, but it marks the night of faith and doubt, uncertainty and obscurity, confusion and chaos. As Christians, we know that this night is always followed by the dawn of faith and hope. This is illustrated beautifully by the words of St. Gregory the Great: "Since daybreak or dawn is changed gradually from darkness into light, the church [...] is fittingly called daybreak or dawn. The dawn hints that the night is over. It does not yet proclaim the full light of day. While dawn dispels darkness and welcomes the light, it holds both of them, the one mixed with the other. [...] Are not all of us who follow the truth in this life daybreak and dawn?"

Amidst the shadows of the passing day and the darkness that clouded the disciples' spirit, the stranger brought a ray of light that rekindled their hope. "Stay with us," they pleaded. In the intimacy of the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes were opened and they recognized the Risen One in their midst. How often do we turn to the Lord and plead, like the two on the road: "Stay with us!" *Fr Thomas Rosica, CSB.*

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Danny Mullane, Sarah Costello, Dorothy Dodd, Donovan Buahin, 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, Audrey Hopwood, Karen Kelly, Daniel McDermott** and any unknown to us.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Sr Mary Pascal OP, Tessa Binder, Richard Clarke, Edward Gregory, Alfred Boyton, Ray Nixon and Maureen Gibbs** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

MANY THANKS: Our thanks to all who have contributed in so many ways to our Holy Week and Easter Liturgy, cleaning and adorning our churches, readers, servers and musicians – especially Gosza and our new children's choir.

EASTER WEEK: There will be **no** Mass Tuesday to Friday this week. In an emergency please contact Fr David Prior at Witham 01376 512219.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Jessica Caitlin Finan** baptised at Kelvedon last Sunday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: As part of our Mission preparation, we are delighted to announce that from next week, we will have Eucharistic Adoration in all three churches. St John Houghton, Tiptree will have Exposition of the Holy Sacrament from 11-12 every Tuesday morning. During this time, the Rosary will be prayed as usual followed by a period of silent prayer. In St Bernard's, Coggeshall, a half hour of Adoration will follow the 7:30 pm Thursday Mass. Kelvedon will continue with its usual times.

MISSION UPDATE: 19 parishioners gathered together for a day of prayer and planning at Tiptree on Tuesday. It was a joyful and productive day and we now have the basic plan arranged for the Celebration week of the Mission. Thank you to all those who came along for their valuable contribution - the Holy Spirit was definitely at work! A particular thank you to Karen for the delicious soup!!

LOGO/ARTWORK FOR MISSION: The Mission Marketing Team will be working on the main Mission logo in the coming weeks but it would be great for the parish to be involved in designing a logo that we might use on promotional material i.e. mugs, bags, tea towels etc. The design should be able to be reproduced onto a mug and capable of expansion if we wanted to use it for visual display etc. This is certainly an opportunity for the young people to be involved. Please submit your entries to Fr Gordon no later than **18th April** and make sure you put your name on your entry as there will be a prize!!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS Please join us at Abbotswick on **Sunday 11th April** from **10.30am** to **4.30pm** for talks and Mass (at 3pm) celebrated by Fr Nino Vinciguerra. Please bring a packed lunch. Donation accepted on the day. Visit www.abbotswick.org or call 01277 373959 for further details.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 27th March - £983.11.**