

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS			
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 3			
SUNDAY 5th June Ascension	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Tim Short RIP Timothy Bartlett (anniversary)
MONDAY 6th June	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
TUESDAY 7th June	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 p.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 8th June	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 9th June <i>St Columba</i>	Kelvedon Coggeshall Coggeshall Kelvedon	9.00 a.m. 9.30-10.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Church open Prayer & Rosary</i> Private Intention <i>Prayer Group</i>
FRIDAY 10th June	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Church in Czech Republic
SATURDAY 11th June	Kelvedon Kelvedon Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 12.00 noon 2.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Baptism: Samuel Joe Maxted</i> <i>Wedding: Martin Birch and</i> <i>Sabrina Oliveira de Brito</i>
SUNDAY 12th June Pentecost	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Peter Hall Francesca Ciarvella RIP All Parishioners
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. with</i> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction</i>			

Liturgical Rotas 12th June	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Ann Ross Derek Hand	Michael Wigley	Edwina Abram
KELVEDON	Michael Wigley Tom McNally	Helena McNally	Marie Sullivan
TIPTREE	Sheila Barralet Celia Butt	Michael Norton	Jude Cody
FINANCE TEAM	Tom McNally & Sean O'Leary		

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

5th June 2011

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me.

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm PS 46:2-3.6-9

Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23

Gospel: Mt 28:16-20



THE ASCENSION: This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven – possibly for the last time since the Bishops are thinking about returning the feast to its proper day, the fortieth day after the Resurrection! In his book "Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week -- From the Entrance into Jerusalem to the Resurrection" Pope Benedict XVI writes of the mystery of the Ascension of the Lord (p. 286): "The old manner of human companionship and encounter is over. From now on we can touch Jesus only 'with the Father.' Now we can touch him only by ascending. From the Father's perspective, in his communion with the Father, he is accessible and close to us in a new way. This new accessibility presupposes a newness on our part as well. Through Baptism, our life is already hidden with Christ in God -- in our current existence we are already 'raised' with him at the Father's right hand (cf. Col 3:1–3). If we enter fully into the essence of our Christian life, then we really do touch the risen Lord, and then we really do become fully ourselves. Touching Christ and ascending belong together. And let us not forget that for John the place of Christ's 'exaltation' is his Cross and that our own ever-necessary 'ascension', our 'going up on high' in order to touch him, has to be travelled in company with the crucified Jesus. Christ, at the Father's right hand, is not far away from us. At most we are far from him, but the path that joins us to one another is open. And this path is not a matter of space travel of a cosmic-geographical nature: it is the 'space travel' of the heart, from the dimension of self-enclosed isolation to the new dimension of world embracing divine love."

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Ivy Chaplin, Timothy Bartlett, Martin Bacon, Kenneth Hinchcliffe, Emelda Antwan & Betty Bell** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Daniel McDermott, Pam Loweth, Bill Sullivan, Sheila Faulkner, Hanni Kyan, Danny Mullane, Sarah Costello, Donovan Buahin, Mike Gibson, Elliot Chisholm, Maria Hoefft, Dwight Page, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holden, Eric Bell, Paul Brittain, Audrey Hopwood, Karen Kelly,** and any unknown to us. If anybody knows of names to be added to or deleted from the sick list please let Fr Gordon know.

FIRST COMMUNIONS: We offer our congratulations to **Lili Orchard** and **Matthew Birch** who make their First Communion at our 11.00 a.m. Mass today.

WE REGRET: To announce the death of a former parishioner, **Mrs Hilda Pinder**, on 28th May. Her funeral will take place at St Mary Immaculate, Kelvedon, on Monday 20th June at 1.30 p.m. followed by burial in Kelvedon cemetery. Please remember in your prayers also Jeanette Palmer's mother and Elsie Mason's nephew Ivan who died in the past week. Ivan left a young family who will need the support of our prayers.

GOOD WISHES: We offer our prayers and good wishes to **Martin Birch** and **Sabrina de Brito** who will marry here this Saturday at 2.00 p.m., our first wedding of the season.

MASS TIMES: Mass on Thursday morning will be at 9.00 a.m. due to Council of Priests meeting in Brentwood. There will be an evening Mass at Coggeshall at 7.30 p.m.

EVANGELIUM COURSE: There will be no meeting this Friday as I shall be at Fr John McGrath's Mass celebrating his 40th anniversary of ordination.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER HOLIDAY: As usual the St Vincent de Paul Society are organising camps for boys and girls nearby at Aldham. The boys' camp runs for three weeks 23rd July to 13th August and the girls' for one week 13th - 20th August. For boys the age range is 8-13 but for girls 9-12. It is a camping holiday with an enormous range of activities such as mountain biking, boating, fishing, climbing, swimming, orienteering, nature study art and craft. All are included and recreation equipment provided as part of the cost. Children will need to bring their own sleeping bag. The camp fee is £135 for one week. Forms are available from the Presbytery or from www.bcys.net/bosco or www.svpboscocamp.org.uk. You can e-mail bookings to bookings@svpboscocamp.org.uk or ring 01708 509790 (6-9 p.m. only) for boys or 01634 311350 (6-9 p.m. only) for girls.

NEWMAN PILGRIMAGE - Saturday 2 July: An all-day pilgrimage to Birmingham and Oxford, which will include the Shrine of Newman at the Birmingham Oratory; Littlemore where he was received into the Church and St Mary's, central Oxford, where he preached as an Anglican minister for many years. The coach will be leaving around 6.30 am to return by 9 pm. The cost for the day is £25. if you would like to go please e-mail st.sabina.monica@gmail.com or ring 07999842057. Bring a packed lunch.

HEALING MASS: Abbotswick House of Prayer on Wednesday 8th June at 2.30pm celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power. Contact 01277373959 or www.abbotswick.org

PARISH SUMMER FETE: Saturday 25th June, Presbytery Garden Kelvedon 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. **RAFFLE TICKETS** now available. If you would like to be involved, then please sign the list at the back of the church, or if you have any ideas contact: **Pat, 01376 570806, Jadwiga, 01376 570624** or **Miriam 01376 570919**. Items including **BOTTLES, BOOKS, TOYS, PLANTS, BRIC A BRAC, GIFTS** are needed and can be left at the back of the church.

A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY! Is being made available to hear the latest CATHOLIC APPROVED techniques of Natural Family Planning. Dr Olive Duddy is nationally known as an expert and speaker on this subject and she will be giving a presentation at NOON (after 11am Mass) on Sunday 12th June in the Epping Catholic Church Hall, Church Hill, EPPING CM16 4RA. Light refreshments will be available. The presentation is open to everyone (not restricted to Catholics). The subject should be a burning issue **for all married couples** and will cover Natural Family Planning in all its forms from those newly married to those who are coping with menopause. It will interest those who are having difficulty with conception and those who wish to avoid conception for the time being. Even those not married may wish to be informed about the techniques to broaden their knowledge of Catholic family life. Queries to Deacon Duncan Telephone 01992 577173

LOURDES REUNION: 9th July 2pm-4pm in St Helen's Parish Hall. All welcome, especially those who maybe considering helping with next year's event. If you are interested in 2012 pilgrimage to Lourdes April 9th-14th inclusive full board-by air, contact Sue Baillie 01268 750752 or 07979 746707.