
PARISH OF ST MARY IMMACULATE & THE HOLY ARCHANGELS
KELVEDON, ST. BERNARD COGGESHALL, ST JOHN HOUGHTON TIPTREE,
(Twinned with St Joseph's Mission, Besters, Natal)

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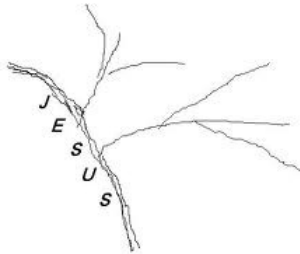
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty.*

First Reading: Acts 9: 26-31
Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:26-28. 30-32
Second Reading: 1 Jn 3:18-24
Gospel: Jn 15:1-8



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Today's first reading gives us an interesting picture of how the other disciples saw the newly converted Saul. First they were unconvinced as to his sincerity and needed to be persuaded by Barnabas. Then they seem to have viewed his firebrand style of preaching as something of a provocation to the authorities. They rescued him from the wrath of the Hellenists and then sent him first to Caesarea, and then his home town of Tarsus. It may have been for his own safety, but St Luke notes without comment that after this the churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were left in peace and able to consolidate their growth. Without the prophetic voice no new venture gets started – but there comes a point when other quieter voices and ways are needed to consolidate growth and the prophet needs to move on to new fields! We see this reflected throughout St Paul's missionary career. He goes to a place and start or revives a Christian community, but after a while moves on to new pastures leaving others to continue his work. Is God calling us to be prophets or consolidators?

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Thomas Murphy, Frank Walsh, Melloney Kentish** and **Thomas Buckland** 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. If anybody knows of names to be added or deleted from the sick list please let Fr Gordon know.

COLUMBAN MISSION APPEAL: This weekend we welcome **Fr Tom Ryan** of the Columban Missionary Fathers who will be making the annual Mission Appeal. He will be staying on until Tuesday and taking the opportunity to visit local supporters of the Columban Missions and celebrating Mass on Monday and Tuesday mornings.

ANNUAL CANON LAW CONFERENCE: I shall be attending the Canon Law Conference in Edinburgh this week and will be away until Friday evening. In an emergency please contact Fr David Prior at Witham (01376 512219) or Fr Tom Lavin at Lexden (01206 576898).

A MESSAGE FROM PROGRESSIO: 'Progressio' would like to bring Catholic influence to bear on the *Rio+20* meeting of world leaders in June, and for you to pray for the leaders meeting on that occasion. They invite you to complete and return postcards expressing your hopes and concerns in a few words on one side so that these can be presented to the Deputy Prime Minister ahead of the meeting. These are available at the back of the Church and carry the title 'The future starts today, not tomorrow' – a quotation from Pope John Paul II.

ORGAN RECITAL: Thursday 24th May at 7.45 p.m. Final plans are in hand and we ask your prayers for a good attendance.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' JUBILEE TEA PARTY: As it was not possible to provide a senior parishioners' lunch this year we would like to invite all senior parishioners to a Diamond Jubilee Tea Party at 3.30 p.m. In St Dominic's Room, Kelvedon on **Saturday 2nd June. PLEASE SEE FLYER.**

DIOCESAN PREPARATION FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH: 'How To Share The Good News'. Speaker: **David Payne**, Director of CaFE. **Monday 28th May, 7.30pm-9.30pm** Cathedral Conference Centre, Brentwood. David will explore how the word of God has the power to change and transform minds and hearts. A Suggested Donation £5. For booking, please contact the Adult Religious Education office on 01277 265219/255 or email are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org

MINISTRY OF WELCOME: We are in urgent need of four volunteers to fulfil the Ministry of Welcome. Two in our church in Kelvedon and two in our church in Tiptree. This involves welcoming all who come to visit our parish to share in our Sunday masses by providing them with copies of mass and hymn books and a parish newsletter. This would be on a four to five week cycle. Please contact Mike Wigley on 01376 572244.

VACANCY PRIMARY SCHOOLS' CHAPLAIN BASILDON: Start September 2012, £16,055p.a. St Anne Line Infant, St Teresa's and St Anne Line Junior Schools, supported by the Catholic Parish of Our Lady and All Saints, Basildon, are delighted to have developed the post of Primary Schools' Chaplain to complement the existing youth ministry in the parish and secondary school. Working with school staff to animate Masses and liturgies, as well as providing a variety of opportunities for children aged 4 – 11 to develop their faith, this is a magnificent opportunity for a practicing Catholic with experience in leading young people in worship, and communicating the faith to young people. Full details from Fr Dominic Howarth, frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org or 01268 281732. Closing date for applications: **21st May.**

CATHOLIC HISTORY DAY: On Saturday 12th May the Essex Recusant Society will be holding a History Day at Ingatestone Hall. The day will include Mass, as well as talks by Fr. Stewart Foster and Dr. James Kelly. Lord Petre will give an introductory talk about the Hall, after which there will be an opportunity look around. The day begins at 10.30 am, the entrance fee is £6 and those attending should bring a packed lunch. Prior booking is essential. To book a place, please phone Isobel Parks on 01268 289678.

KELVEDON URC BICENTENARY: As part of their Bicentenary celebrations Kelvedon URC will be running an event in their Church on the afternoon of Saturday 9th June entitled 'Those were the days' they would like contributions from local organisations and individuals in the form of memorabilia such as photos, postcards and stories to share. If anyone would like to support this please contact Ernie Finch at the URC, or erniebob1@live.co.uk or 01376 570695 by 15th May.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER GROUP: The children's prayer group would like to invite you to join them for traditional May devotions to Our Lady, with a procession in the garden and Litany of Loreto on **Mondays at 4.00 p.m. at St John Houghton, Tiptree**. This is straight after school for the children and for adults it is still before dinner.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 29th April - £622.79. Survive-Miva Appeal**
The final sum raised was **£439.70** and with added Gift Aid the total will become well in excess of **£500**. A very generous response from our Parish as usual and well over the total raised last time we had the same appeal three years ago.

UGANDA: Fr Gerald was in contact this week with news about exciting changes to his ministry back home. More information will be supplied as it emerges. He still hopes to come to the UK in the summer.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Saturday 26th May led by Bishop Thomas McMahon. Programme for the day: 12 noon Mass, 1.15 p.m. lunch in grounds of Chapel, 2.15 p.m. Procession to Elmham House Gardens, 3.15 p.m. Vespers and Benediction at Elmham House Gardens.

BIBLE SOCIETY CAKE STALL: There will be a cake stall outside Tylers in Tiptree on Saturday 12th May, starting at 10.00 a.m., to raise funds for The Bible Society. Cakes, plants and home-made produce for the stall will be most welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: With the Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre. As part of our celebration of 370 years of foundation we are taking a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Dates- 14th - 21st February 2013. The cost will be approximately £1,500. If you would like to have more information, please contact us at contact-us@canonesses.co.uk or 01206 867296.

CATHOLICS GET SET FOR SUMMER 2012: A special training day for Catholics will take place on **Saturday 12 May at St Charles Catholic Vith Form College**, 74 St Charles Square, Kensington W10 6EY **from 10am to 4pm** (Ladbroke Grove tube) to show how Catholic churches, groups and/or schools can relevantly engage with the Diamond Jubilee, Olympic Torch Relay and 2012 Games in a few weeks time. The day includes information and training on: how to run a local festival, hosting athletes' family members, addressing Games-related social issues, preparing for the Olympic Torch, how to engage young people through sport, praying through the Games, CAFOD's 2012 preparations, and more. To find out more or to book online, please visit www.morethangold.org.uk, www.catholic2012.com or call 0845 475 2012. This will be the Catholic community's last chance to prepare for Britain's biggest ever summer of parties.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 1**

SUNDAY 6th May <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Evelyn Barraud RIP All Parishioners Intention Liam Dunbar sick
MONDAY 7th May	Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Children's Prayer Group</i>
TUESDAY 8th May	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 9th May	NO MASS		
THURSDAY 10th May	NO MASS		
FRIDAY 11th May	NO MASS		
SATURDAY 12th May <i>St John Houghton</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SUNDAY 13th May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Marjorie Weir RIP Private Intention

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

Liturgical Rotas 13th May	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Lanette Bridgman Neville Bridgman	Jill Hinds	Edwina Abram
KELVEDON	Pat Richardson Steve Smith	Jadwiga Smith	Edna Morgan
TIPTREE	Valerie Bartlett Isobel Kersey	Michael Wigley	Celia Butt
FINANCE TEAM	Sean O'Leary & Tony Hinds		