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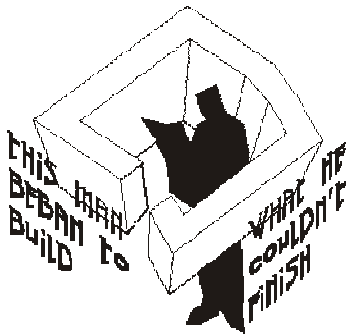
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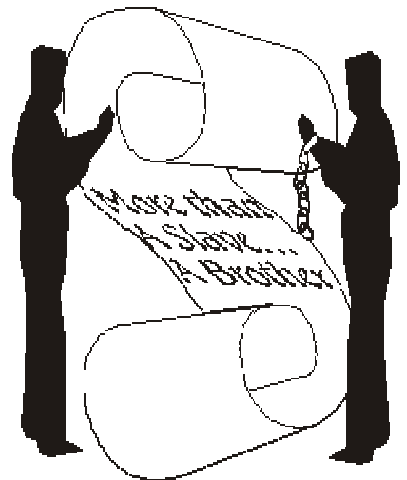
PARISH NEWSLETTER

8th September 2013

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF YEAR

None of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.

First Reading: Ws 9:13-18
Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:3-6.12-14.17
Second Reading: Phm 9-10.12-17
Gospel: Lk 14:25-33



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY: During the week there was a report of a 64 year old American woman who succeeded at the fourth attempt in swimming from Cuba to the USA without a shark cage or holding on to the boat for support. Achievements of this kind often call for a degree of single-mindedness. This is the nub of Jesus' seemingly harsh message to his disciples. If they want to follow him they must be prepared to 'hate' not just their family but their own lives. They must be willing to carry the cross. In particular they must be willing to let go of all material possessions. For builders or kings going to war common sense decrees planning their resources to be sure they can carry out what they want to achieve in terms of money or military forces. For his disciples that same single-mindedness requires relying solely on the strength and grace of God not human or material resources. We should understand the word 'hate', and its contrasting pairing so often in the Scripture 'love', not in emotional terms but of practical choices and concrete actions. Where does our priority lie in the light of our eternal destiny?

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Tita Madden, John Leuce** and **Julie Rainbird** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Kay Smith, Halina Pieckielon, Irene Rayner, Helen Felgate, Isobel Kersey, Julie Trueman, Marion Simmons, Audrey Thurlow, Hayley Hetzel, Deborah Lee, Bill Sullivan, Pam Loath, Hani Cyan, Sheila Faulkner, Karen Kelly, Mike Gibson, Donovan Bushing, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Paul Britain, Audrey Hopwood** and any unknown to us.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Millie Marshall** who makes her First Holy Communion today and to **Charlie Sunnucks** and **Qi Yan** married at Kelvedon yesterday.

WE REGRET: To announce the death of **Colleen Furse** of Prail Court, Coggeshall on Friday 30th August. Her body will be brought into Church at Kelvedon on Thursday at 4.30 p.m. with the Requiem Mass on Friday at 1.30 p.m. followed by cremation at Three Counties Crematorium at 3.00 p.m.

FOOD BANK RADIO APPEAL: We're so excited to announce that we've been chosen as the BBC Radio 4's Charity Appeal for 29th September! This summer Trussell Trust Foodbanks have already given emergency food to over 100,000 people. Worryingly, this autumn looks set to be particularly tough too, with fuel prices set to rise and changes to welfare imminent. So the timing of this Radio 4 Appeal couldn't be better - and, to make the most of it, we need you to help spread the word and get everybody listening! Most Radio 4 Appeal charities ask a celebrity to present their appeal, but we have so many clients with experiences that need to be heard that we asked Charlotte, who was helped by a Foodbank last year, to be the voice instead. **What will you be doing at 7.55 a.m. or 9.26 p.m. on Sunday 29th September? Or Thursday 3rd October at 3.27 p.m.? We'll be listening to BBC Radio 4 and we're asking you, your friends and family to listen to Charlotte too.**

MASS VARIATIONS: There will be no Mass on Monday or Thursday morning this week.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: Racial Justice Sunday on 8 September 2013 offers Christian communities across Britain and Ireland the opportunity to focus on the issue of ending racism and racial inequality. Churches, schools, groups and individuals are invited to mark the day by praying and acting to raise awareness of the 50th Anniversary of the 'I have a Dream' speech by Dr Martin Luther King and to ask 50 years on, where are we now? In the UK we need to be aware of the current issues and changing patterns around racism, racial inequality and identity. While the past 50 years has seen some significant progress in racial equality, our society is still marked by racial discrimination and inequality for many. In practical terms that means that the ethnic group that you are born into still has a significant impact on your life chances. Despite changes in the law, Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities still regularly experience worse services in education, health, housing and criminal justice sectors compared to the White British population. BME communities have worse health due to their higher rates of poverty, unemployment, area deprivation and lower incomes. Young Black British males are more likely to go to prison than university. An estimated 5% of teachers and less than 5% of head teachers and deputies are from BME communities, although 20% of the pupil population are from BME backgrounds. Unemployment rates of Bangladeshi and Pakistani women stand at 20.5% and Black women at 17.7% compared to 6.8% for White women. Gypsy and Traveller people experience significantly higher rates of suicide and infant and maternal death and there is a severe lack of suitable Traveller sites which result in 14% of Travellers living on the roadside or unauthorised encampments.

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY: Bishop Thomas will be presiding at the annual Mass to recognise and celebrate the vocation of marriage and the joy of family life at Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 21st September at 3.30 p.m., followed by a reception in the Cathedral Parish Hall. If you would like to go, please take an invitation card and envelope and return it this week. Officially you are to reply by 6th but there was little point in advertising the Mass while most people were on holiday!

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Will be restarting on **Thursday 19th September at 8.00 p.m.**

WHAT ACTION CAN I TAKE TO BRING PEACE INTO OUR WORLD? Join the Candle-lit vigil to **STOP THE ARMS TRADE** at the London Excel Centre, where the worlds largest arms fair takes place, **on Monday, 9th September 7.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.** The arms fair welcomes: the worlds worst human rights abusing regimes; the Russian arms suppliers to Syrian President Assad; The companies supplying teargas used in Turkey, Brazil and Bahrain and Israeli companies displaying "battle-tested" weapons. Meet in Tidal Basin Road (outside Royal Victoria DLR) at 6.30 and walk to Excel. Our Bishop Thomas will, as usual, be showing his support for peace by attending this Vigil. For more information contact Pat Gaffney, Pax Christi 020 8203 4884.

GUILD OF ST STEPHEN: Unfortunately, due to lack of response, the social event planned for Saturday 14th September has had to be cancelled.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 3**

SUNDAY 8th September 23rd Sunday of Year	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention Elsie Potts RIP <i>First Communion Amelia Marshall</i> All Parishioners
MONDAY 9th September <i>St Peter Claver</i>	Kelvedon	NO MASS	
TUESDAY 10th September	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 11th September	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 12th September <i>Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon Coggeshall	NO MASS 4.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	<i>Reception of body: Colleen Furze</i> Private Intention
FRIDAY 13th September <i>St John Chrysostom</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon	9.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m.	Anne Wells RIP <i>Requiem: Colleen Furze RIP</i>
SATURDAY 14th September <i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SUNDAY 15th September 24th Sunday of Year	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Hugh & Elsie O'Rorke RIP Private Intention

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

Liturgical Rotas 15th September	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Teresa Hall Derek Hand	Simon Hall	Mollie Blackwell
KELVEDON	Valerie Bartlett Patricia Pike	Tom McNally	Elizabeth Maxted
TIPTREE	Celia Butt	Sue Petchey	Sue Petchey