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PARISH NEWSLETTER

9th August 2015

NINETEENTH SUNDAY

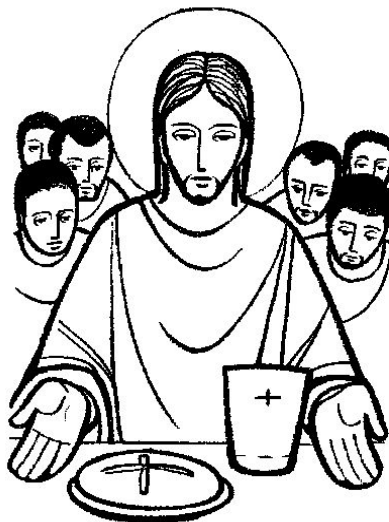
*I am the living bread which has come down
from heaven.*

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-9

Second Reading: Eph 4:30-5:2

Gospel: Jn 6:41-51



NINETEENTH SUNDAY: Today's Gospel reading from Our Lord's 'Bread of Life Discourse' is prefaced by a first reading taken from 1 Kings. The Prophet Elijah is dispirited by his situation in life and wishes he were dead. However, God has a great task in store for him. He must journey forty days to Mount Horeb in the North of Israel where he is to encounter God and learn his purpose. To put fresh heart in him and strengthen him for the journey God sends an angel to provide him with bread and water just as he provided manna for the Israelites in the time of Moses. This is why hymns in honour of the Eucharist describe it as 'food of travellers' – '*esca viatorum*'. Life is a journey for all of us. The consoling presence of Christ in the Eucharist is God's way of sustaining us and renewing us in spirit on our own journey when the going gets tough or life just seems flat and pointless. The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist not only strengthens us but is a pledge and foretaste of the final encounter with the Lord at the end of our lives. This is especially true when that journey is close to its end and our next Communion is likely to be our last. This 'last Communion' is called '*viaticum*' – 'food for the journey' - and is one reason why when someone is seriously ill the priest should be called while they are still conscious and able to receive the Eucharist. This step should not be delayed out of a misplaced sense that the person will be frightened. The priority should be their spiritual need to be ready to see God face to face. Often it is the family rather than the dying person that does not want to face the reality that death may be close.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Mrs Van Stolk (senior), Denis Wood, Sheila Barralet, Teresa Hall, Alphonso Ciaravella, Kay Smith, Hayley Hetzel, Julie Trueman, Deborah Lee, Bill Sullivan, Pam Loath, Hani Kyan, Karen Kelly, Sheila Faulkner, Mike Gibson, Donovan Bushing, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Anne Entwistle, Paul Britain, Audrey Hopwood** and any unknown to us.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Sr Edmund Lewis, Luzia Gross, Catherine Chaussead, Patrick Seave, Sr Mary Dympna OP, David Jordan, Ellen Doyle** and **Jacqueline O'Reilly** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Erin Rose Clench** baptised at Kelvedon last Sunday.

WE REGRET: To announce the death on Wednesday of **Mrs Margaret Murray**. Funeral arrangements to follow. The funeral arrangements for **Mrs Zlatka Krisman** of Common Farm, Feering, have now been finalised. There will be a service St Colchester Crematorium on Monday 17th August at 1.15 p.m. A memorial Mass will be held at a later date in Wolverhampton.

HOLIDAY PERIOD: It has not been possible to arrange weekend cover and so I shall be away from after Monday morning Mass until Friday mid-morning during August apart from any funerals that may arise. In an emergency please ring **Fr David Prior** at **Witham: 01376 512219**. I understand that Fr Gerald Byaruhanga is hoping to come to the UK in the Autumn providing he can sort out his visa.

ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY: The Essex Recusant Society has sent us several copies of their journal 'South-Eastern Catholic History'. Please do take a copy - if you feel able to contribute to their funds please leave £6 in an envelope. This issue includes articles on the Petre Mortuary Chapel at Thorndon Hall and the connections between St Anne Line and the Essex Witch Trial of 1582.

COGGESHALL YOUTH WORK TRUST: I am running a craft stall in aid of the **Coggeshall Youth Work Trust** and need some old balls of wool. If you are able to donate some I would be very grateful, any colour will do. You can leave the wool at the back of any of the Mass centres or I can collect from your house. Contact **Jane Crone 01376 563146**.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Is looking for individuals to represent their parish and to take part in our '**Run for a Child**' 5K run on **Wednesday 2nd September** at 7.00 p.m. The run, organised by Pitsea Running Club, takes place at Westley Heights Country Park, Basildon. There is no need to book, just turn up and run; under 16s are welcome as long as they are accompanied by an adult. The entry fee is only £2 to cover the costs of running this event, so any additional sponsorship money you are able to raise will allow us to continue to support the children and families who need us, so please do your best. For further information or to request a Sponsor Form please contact Julie 01268 784544/ jabbott@bccs.org.uk

EMAILS: The Diocesan Server & Firewall has 'fallen over' and the diocese has recently changed its IT consultant. The result is that we – and this applies to the Diocese and all parishes using an @dioceseofbrentwood.org address – have received no e-mails since last Friday of last week. I received one on Thursday and have had several sent to the underlying address. Apparently it may take the new company three weeks to stabilise the system! For this reason please use the address: admin@kelvedonparish.plus.com instead of kelvedon@dioceseofbrentwood.org for the time being. It is less secure since it will not afford the protection given by the Diocesan Firewall and anti-spam software (when working!) but it should get through. If you need to contact another parish I advise ringing to find out their underlying address, or else use the postal service.

PARISH BARN DANCE & HOG ROAST EVENT: Saturday 26th September 2015 from 4:00 p.m. till late. Tickets are now on sale in Kelvedon after Sunday Masses. Please speak to **Gloria** at **01621 819698** if you attend Mass in Coggeshall or Tiptree and would like to purchase tickets. This is a parish-subsidised event. Tickets can be purchased at £8.00 (Adult) £4.00 (Child) or £20.00 (Family:2A+2C).

PARISH FAMILY COOKBOOK: (2015 Edition) A detailed leaflet relating to this upcoming Parish Cookbook can be found at the back of the church. If you have a recipe or two you would like to have included, please liaise with **Aggie (01376 573694)** or **Gloria (01621 819698)** or email us a copy at KCP_SocialComm@hotmail.com

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 2nd August - £654.93**.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Morning & Evening Prayer: Week 3**

SUNDAY 9th August <i>19th Sunday</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Edward Banks RIP Private Intention
MONDAY 10th August <i>St Lawrence</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
TUESDAY 11th August <i>St Clare</i>	NO MASS Tiptree	11.00 a.m.	<i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 12th August <i>St Jane Frances de Chantal</i>	NO MASS		
THURSDAY 13th August <i>Sts Pontian & Hippolytus</i>	NO MASS		
FRIDAY 14th August <i>St Maximilian Kolbe</i>	NO MASS		
SATURDAY 15th August	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Clark Family
SUNDAY 16th August <i>Assumption of BVM</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Michael Quigley RIP Heloise Flynn RIP

*Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.;
exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction will RESUME in September*

Liturgical Rotas 16th August	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Lanette Bridgman Neville Bridgman	Desmond Crone	Maria O'Leary
KELVEDON	Jadwiga Smith Helena McInally	Valerie Bartlett	Marie Sullivan
TIPTREE	Celia Butt	Sue Petchey	Jude Cody