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PARISH NEWSLETTER

12th June 2016

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR

Her many sins have been forgiven, or she would not have shown such great love.

First Reading: 2 S 12:7-10. 13
Responsorial Psalm Ps 31:1-2. 5. 7. 11
Second Reading: Gal 2:16.19-21
Gospel: Lk: 7:36 - 8:3



ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR: What place does keeping the Commandments take in the life of the Christian? St Paul can seem a rigorist at times yet he writes to the Galatians that “what makes a man righteous is not obedience to the Law, but faith in Jesus Christ.” Nathan condemns King David for abusing his royal power to kill Uriah and take his wife yet when he admits his sin God forgives him and spares his life. In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the woman who pours ointment over his feet that her many sins are forgiven. Her outpouring of love is a measure of how much she knows she is in debt to him. A similar message is conveyed in the parable of the Prodigal Son. People can draw the wrong lesson from these stories. Martin Luther said, “Pecca fortiter” – “sin boldly” – because we are all sinners and only God’s grace matters. Calvin took a more rigorist position – sin is a symptom to be seen in those destined for damnation – repentance of salvation, a consequence of being chosen by God. Yet Jesus also teaches that that not one jot of the Law will pass away until it has been fulfilled. How we live does matter. The Commandments are not just recommendations. In the imagery of separating sheep and goats Jesus tells us that how we will be judged by God depends on how we live. The right way to interpret these stories is that apart from the Sin against the Holy Spirit (unrepentance and rejection of God’s love) all sins can be forgiven and the knowledge of just how much as been forgiven can be a new starting point for faith and love. Christ takes upon himself the weight of our sins and to the extent that we have not made sufficient amends through penance during our lifetime his love will cleanse us and make us ready to be admitted to God’s presence (Purgatory).

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Margaret Britain, Paul Britain, Vanessa Dann, Angelina Barber, June Jezierski, Mrs Van Stolk Senior, Denis Wood, 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, Audrey Hopwood** and any unknown to us.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Anthony Farley, Kathleen Rumble, Anthony Corbett, John McGee, Daisy Cattini** and **Kathleen Azzario** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS – KAY SMITH: Her Requiem Mass will take place at Kelvedon on Friday at 11.00 a.m. followed by cremation at Chelmsford.

MASS VARIATIONS: Mass on Wednesday and Thursday this week will be at 9.00 a.m.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Congratulations to our First Holy Communion children, **Oliver, Oscar, Lucas, Ben, Theodore, Gabriele, Grace, Olivia** and **Skye**, who made their First Confession on the 11th June.

BIGGER BREAKFAST: This month’s prayer breakfast for Kelvedon and Feering will take place at the URC this Saturday 8.00 a.m. - 9.00 a.m. All welcome.

FINANCE: Offertory Collection for **Sunday 5th June - £642.69.**

FAITH FILMS CLUB: Our next viewing will be the film "St. Anthony" on Wednesday 15th June at Aggie O'Brien's home, 2.00 p.m. The first major feature length drama on the life of St. Anthony of Padua, one of the most popular saints in Christian history. Made in Italy with top-notch acting talent, and superb cinematography, this is an outstanding film on the inspiring life of St. Anthony. It presents Anthony as a strong and appealing person who sacrificed wealth, popularity and looks for the Kingdom of God. It beautifully portrays the power of his preaching, the holiness of his life, his love for the poor and oppressed, and the wonders of his miracles.

ANNUAL SUMMER FETE: Saturday 25th June 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. in Kelvedon.
GRAND RAFFLE DRAW Tickets are now available to collect. Please take some and help sell to family and friends. As we did at Christmas, this year, we are also having a prize draw for **FOOD HAMPERS** in addition to our Grand Prize Draw. Donations of goods for both the Raffle Draws are appreciated. Donations of books, toys, bric-a-brac or any other suitable items can now be sent to Kelvedon. **Volunteers Sign-up List** available at all Mass Centres. If you can bake homemade cakes or suitable items for the Refreshments or Cake Stall, please sign up on the Volunteers List. **All queries regarding the fete** can be directed to Aggie O'Brien at 01376 573694 (Email: agnessobrien@hotmail.com or Gloria Streat 01621 819698 (glo146@aol.com

FATHER GORDON'S 40TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY: All invitations to parishioners have now been either collected in person or sent by post. If you are a parishioner but have yet to register with the parish, kindly contact Agness O'Brien so that an invitation can be sent out to you. Come and join us in celebrating this milestone event with a 'Bring & Share' party following 11.00 a.m. Mass at Kelvedon on Sunday 17th July. To facilitate catering arrangement, kindly indicate what you can bring to the table on the Sign up list at all Mass Centres.

SPIRITUALITY OF WALSINGHAM WEEKEND: Friday 17th June to Sunday 19th June 2016. Young women wanting to deepen their faith and learn more about the spirituality of Walsingham are invited to join the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham at our main base at Abbotswick, Brentwood, for a retreat weekend. Join the community for Mass, the Divine Office, Eucharistic Adoration and talks over the course of the weekend. Possibility of a day trip to Walsingham on the Saturday. Cost: £20 per day depending on means. For more information phone Sr Theresa on tel. 01277 373848 or visit our website [walsinghamcommunity.org](http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org)<<http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org/>

STUDY DAY AT GIDEA PARK: Professor John Morrill, permanent deacon and director of ongoing formation for the clergy in the Diocese of East Anglia, will lead a study day on 'The Bible in English', with a focus on the Bible in Reformation England and concluding with Bible translations in the present day. The event will take place at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH, on Saturday 18th June from 10.30 a.m. until 3.00 p.m. Admission is free, tea and coffee will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch. It is essential to book your place and this should be done by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com<<mailto:GPstudydays@gmail.com>

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

SUNDAY 12th June <i>11th of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Intention Genevive (sick) René Gold RIP
MONDAY 13th June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	In honour of St Anthony & for friends, relatives & benefactors of Fr Richard Gay
TUESDAY 14th June	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Edmund Ward & Family <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 15th June	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 16th June <i>St Richard of Chichester</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Intention Sister Camilla
FRIDAY 17th June	Kelvedon Kelvedon	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Private Intention <i>Requiem: Kay Smith</i>
SATURDAY 18th June	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Deasy Family
SUNDAY 19th June <i>12th of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Jimmy Coleman RIP Int. Mgr Michael Quinlan (Golden Jubilee)

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

Liturgical Rotas 19th June	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Lanette Bridgman Neville Bridgman	Sean O'Leary	Mollie Blackwell
KELVEDON	Helena McNally Patricia Pike	Giovanna Austin	Gloria Streat
TIPTREE	Isobel Kersey	Michael Wigley	Jude Cody