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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

First Reading: Acts 10: 25-26. 44-48

Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4

Second Reading: 1 Jn 4:7-10

Gospel: Jn 15:9-17



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Today's second reading sets before us St John's vision of the heavenly Jerusalem – a theme that takes to a new vision the Prophet Ezekiel's vision of the Temple. In this city there is no need for a temple for all have the direct vision of God and live in his presence. The city is described in symbolic terms – there are twelve gates through which the twelve tribes of Israel shall enter the city and the foundation stones of its walls are the twelve apostles, symbolised elsewhere by precious stones. Eastern Christians emphasise this divine aspect of the liturgy itself as a participation in the worship of heaven rather than the focus we tend to find today on the human aspect of a shared meal. Both elements need to be held in balance – Jesus is both human and divine. A church building is a 'sacramental' not simply a meeting place. It is intended to remind us that we are in the presence of the unseen but living God. Christ is symbolised in the altar as well as truly present in the Eucharist. The twelve Consecration crosses around the walls remind us that the Church is founded on the twelve apostles, not as a building but a community of faith.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Anna Southby, Elsie Wade, Joseph Lyan, Sr Francis Emelda, Eleanor Buckley, James Bond, Janina Tempalski, Patrick Duffy, Violet Waters** and **Edith Lovejoy** 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, 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.

MASS VARIATIONS: Mass on Wednesday will be at 9.00 a.m. On Thursday there will be no Mass as I have to be in Salisbury for a meeting at 10.30 a.m.

WE REGRET: To announce the death of **Trisha Parkin**, sister of Eileen Bell. The funeral service will take place at our church in Kelvedon on **Wednesday 23rd May at 11.00 a.m.** and will be conducted by Fr Tom Lavin.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP: As you may know we have started a group for young people in the Parish. The idea is to meet, have fun, make friends and to share ideas, do some fundraising and learn a bit more about the church of today. It is aimed at children aged 8 upwards. The next meeting is **Friday 18th May at 6.00 p.m. in St Dominic's Room.** Food will be available. Please email <mailto:pauline@mcaloone.com> pauline@mcaloone.com if you are intending to come so that we know numbers for catering purposes. Come along and see if you like it.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Due to holiday absences, there will be no evening adoration until 12th June when the Prayer Session will resume with Adoration for Life at 6.30 p.m. and Silent prayer at 7.30 p.m.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' JUBILEE TEA PARTY: Saturday 2nd June at 3.30 p.m. In St Dominic's Room, Kelvedon. If you have not already done so please complete and return the **pink** flyer that was in last week's newsletter. There are spare copies at the back of the church.

CAFOD'S WALK FOR WATER: From the 11th - 17th June, **Maria O'Leary** will be walking the 60 miles of the Stour Valley Path from Newmarket to Catawade to raise funds to help people who don't have access to clean water or sanitation. If you would like to sponsor Maria you can do so by visiting www.justgiving/Mariaswalkforwater or you can find a sponsorship form at the back of the church.

PRESS RELEASE: Reel Picture House is a community cinema opening in Coggeshall's Village Hall. It will run once a month on the last Saturday of each month and will show recent film releases. It's aim is to offer a unique cinema experience. In addition to the film, there will be a fully licensed bar selling wine and local beers. There will also be locally sourced food for sale. Tickets will be available, in advance, from "The Normans" Sweet Shop in Stoneham Street and Buntings in Church Street, Coggeshall and will be priced at £5. Doors will open at 7pm. The film will start at 8pm allowing customers to meet with friends and purchase refreshments. Unlike a traditional cinema, reel picture house will have tables to allow people to sit and socialise more easily. There will be an interval during the film when home-made cakes and locally produced ice cream will be available. Our opening night will be the 26th May and we will be showing War Horse. Please see our website for more details www.reelpicturehouse.org or contact us at reelpicturehouse@hotmail.co.uk

THE BCYS BIG LUNCH: Open day at Walsingham House - Sunday 3rd June. An afternoon open to all - chilled out fun at Walsingham House for anyone who fancies an afternoon/evening in the sun (hopefully)! There will be a licensed bar, activities for all ages, an opportunity to visit Walsingham House and have a look round if you've not been before. Timings on the day are: Big Lunch - bring your own picnic - 1.00 p.m. Afternoon cream teas - 4.00 p.m. Hog Roast and Live music - 6.00 p.m. until 10.00 p.m.

STAFF VACANCY: New Hall School have a vacancy for a Teacher of Religious Education to start in September or January 2013. Applicants must be fully supportive of the school's ethos and be a practising Catholic. Closing Date: Midday, Monday 21st May. Interview Date: Friday 25 May 2012. For further details and an Application Form contact the HR department: Tel: 01245 467 588 Fax: 01245 467 188 or email: hr@newhallschool.co.uk www.newhallschool.co.uk

ST BONAVENTURE'S SCHOOL FOREST GATE: A reunion has been arranged for Saturday 16th June at the Golden Fleece public house, Manor Park, for those who joined the school in 1959, 1960 or 1961. This is the first such reunion for very many years and will be totally informal. If you would like to know more, please contact Tom Hagger on tom@hagger.net or 01323 897846.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 2**

SUNDAY 13th May <i>6th 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
MONDAY 14th May <i>St Matthias</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Children's Prayer Group</i>
TUESDAY 15th May	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 16th May	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 17th May	Kelvedon	NO MASS	
FRIDAY 18th May <i>St John I</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon	9.00 a.m. 8.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Saint's Series</i>
SATURDAY 19th May	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SUNDAY 20th May <i>Ascension</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Joanne Hayes RIP Gladys Campling (90th Birthday)

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

Liturgical Rotas 20th May	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Ann Ross Derek Hand	John Dann	Mollie Blackwell
KELVEDON	Helena McNally Patricia Short	Vivienne Talbot	Marie Sullivan
TIPTREE	Michael Wigley Sue Petchey	Valerie Bartlett	Margaret Jopling
FINANCE TEAM	Tony Hinds & Tom McNally		