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**PARISH OF ST MARY IMMACULATE & THE HOLY ARCHANGELS  
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(Twinned with St Joseph's Mission, Besters, Natal)**

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## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**15th September 2013**

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### ***TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF YEAR***

*There will be rejoicing in heaven over one  
repentant sinner.*

**First Reading: Ex 32:7-11.13-14**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 50:3-4.12-13.17.19**

**Second Reading: 1 Tm 1:12-17**

**Gospel: Lk 15:1-32**



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY :** Today is celebrated as 'Home Mission Sunday'. The theme for this year – 'Crossing the Threshold' fits well with today's Gospel in which we hear once again the familiar parable of the Prodigal Son. How fearful he was of the reception he would receive on returning to his father's house and yet the father rushes out to embrace him, fits him out with new clothes and organises a feast to mark his return. There are known to be about five million Catholics in England and Wales yet only one in five will be at Mass on any given Sunday. For some this represents a pattern of attending Mass regularly but perhaps once or twice a month, but for most it means that we see them perhaps at Christmas and Easter or on occasions such as weddings or funerals. However, there are far more people who have no real connection with the life of any Church. God is never far from them but he does not impinge on their conscious lives very much. The mission Christ has entrusted to us is for them too. Archbishop Nichols said, ""Announcing the good news in deed and word is the task of each of us as followers of Jesus. We do so, even in the midst of our daily tasks, whenever we behave with compassion, with ready forgiveness and with generosity towards those in need. When we are seen to act in this manner of Jesus, then we may well make others wonder, at least a little, why we do so. We should be ever ready to put into words, simply and directly, the reasons for our behaviour - the truth of Jesus whom we know and love. Home Mission Sunday reminds us just how important the work of evangelisation is. We are all called to be attentive to the ways that we can 'Cross the Threshold' by reaching out to those closest to us, to the stranger and to those most in need of our help."

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember **Anne Wade, Kate Mais, Bernadette McCann, John Geddes and Jean Lynch** 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.

**CURRY NIGHT:** Our annual 'Curry Night' will take place on **Friday 11th October** at Kelvedon starting **7.30 p.m.** Tickets cost **£8.00** and include a choice of curry dishes or a non-curry alternative, dessert and one drink – other drinks available by donation. This year the proceeds will go to help cover the cost of the new borehole for the primary school in our twinned parish – St Joseph's Mission, Natal. If you would like to come to this popular social event then please put your name on the list at the back of the church.

**HEADTEACHER VACANCY:** St Pius X Primary School in Chelmsford is seeking a visionary and inspirational Headteacher who will provide strong, professional and spiritual leadership. Are you ready for the challenge of advancing this improving school to good and then to outstanding? Please contact [headships@essex.gov.uk](mailto:headships@essex.gov.uk) for an application pack. Closing Date 4th October 2013.

**DO YOU SHOP ONLINE?:** Did you know that every time you buy something, you could be raising money for our parish. **That's right!** - over 2700 well know retailers including Amazon, M&S, Boden, Waitrose, House of Fraser, Vodafone, Virgin Atlantic and many more, will donate a percentage of what you spend to **St Mary Immaculate & The Holy Archangels** when you shop with them, via **easyfundraising.co.uk** Our church is now a registered charity with **easyfundraising.org.uk** and with Christmas fast approaching, what better time to register and start shopping online and raise funds for our parish at **no extra cost to you**. If you would like to be part of this fund raising venture then please register at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmaryimmaculatetheholyarchangels](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmaryimmaculatetheholyarchangels) If you would like more details on how to register and start raising funds then please pick up a **leaflet** from the back of the church as you leave. For more details contact your **Parish Easyfundraising Facilitator, Agness O'Brien** on **01376 573694** or email [agnessobrien@hotmail.com](mailto:agnessobrien@hotmail.com) and Agness will be happy to help you.

**KELVEDON URC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** Would like to invite the ladies of St Mary's C of E and the Catholic Church to their meeting on **Thursday 26th September, 2.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.** The meeting will be led by **Mrs Sonja Park**.

**ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY:** Will be meeting on Saturday 21st September at 2.30 pm at The Grange, 93 Queens Road, Brentwood. The speaker will be Mr. Kevin Redmond, who has recently written a parish history of Our Lady and St. Joseph, Stanford-le-Hope.

**THE LEGACY OF VATICAN II:** The Diocesan Commission for Evangelisation & Formation's series of evening talks in the Year of Faith on understanding the documents of the Second Vatican Council continues. The enormous breadth of the Council's teaching is not well known so the remaining lectures will provide further insight and understanding. The next 3 lectures are as follows: On **Thursday 26th September Mgr David Manson's** talk considers the development of liturgy since Vatican II - 'Towards Authentic Liturgy'. On **Thursday 3rd October Michelle Moran** will discuss 'The Universal Call to Holiness', exploring the new movements and communities in the Vatican II church. On **Thursday 17th October Fr Paul Keane** tells the story of 'The Catholic Church and Freedom of Conscience', the Declaration on Religious Liberty, *Dignitatis Humanae*, and explores its repercussions. All talks begin at **7.30 p.m.** and take place at the **Cathedral House Conference Centre**, Ingrave Road, CM15 8AT. There is no charge and no need to book. Refreshments provided. The last 3 talks take place in November. For full details please go to [www.whatgoodnews.org/](http://www.whatgoodnews.org/) and click on 'Events' or the Commission on phone 01277 265289.

**QUESTIONS ON LIVING THE CATHOLIC FAITH:** You are warmly invited to attend an evening to ask questions on living the Catholic faith on Thursday 19th September at St James the Less and St Helen Parish Hall, Priory Street, Colchester from 7.30 p.m. Your questions can be on moral issues, Catholic Social Teaching, theology, scripture, the church's history, the church in today's world or any question you have always wanted to find the answer. Wine and nibbles provided. Further details from 01206 866317 or the Commission for Evangelisation and Formation on 01277 265289.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:  
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 4**

<b>SUNDAY</b> 15th September <b>24th Sunday of Year</b>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Hugh & Elsie O'Rorke RIP Private Intention
<b>MONDAY</b> 16th September <i>Sts Cornelius &amp; Cyprian</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>TUESDAY</b> 17th September <i>St Robert Bellarmine</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Jean Lynch RIP <i>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 18th September	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
<b>THURSDAY</b> 19th September <i>St Theodore of Canterbury</i>	Kelvedon Coggeshall	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Private Intention Private Intention
<b>FRIDAY</b> 20th September <i>Sts Andrew Kim Taegon &amp; Companions</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>SATURDAY</b> 21st September <i>St Matthew</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Fay Deasy
<b>SUNDAY</b> 22nd September <b>25th Sunday of Year</b>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention Derek Pike RIP All Parishioners

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

<b>Liturgical Rotas</b> 22nd September	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Ministers of Welcome</b>
<b>COGGESHALL</b>	Lanette Bridgman Neville Bridgman	Sean O'Leary	Ann Ross
<b>KELVEDON</b>	Tom McNally Patricia Short	Vivien Talbot	June Jezierski
<b>TIPTREE</b>	Isobel Kersey	Valerie Bartlett	Celia Butt