

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS			
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 4			
SUNDAY 17th July 16th Sunday of Year	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Roma Royal RIP Intention Val Bartlett
MONDAY 18th July	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Int. Bishop Thomas McMahon (31st anniversary of consecration yesterday)
TUESDAY 19th July	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 20th July <i>St Apollinaris</i>	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 21st July <i>St Lawrence of Brindisi</i>	Kelvedon Coggeshall Coggeshall Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 9.30-10.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Ivan Van de Vyver RIP <i>Church open Prayer & Rosary</i> Private Intention <i>Prayer Group</i>
FRIDAY 22nd July <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SATURDAY 23rd July <i>St Brigid of Sweden</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Kazimierz Sitkowski (anniversary)
SUNDAY 24th July 17th Sunday of Year	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Stella Bushell RIP All Parishioners Jeremy Allen RIP
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction</i>			

Liturgical Rotas 24th July	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Sue Harrison Phil Harrison	John Dann	Maria O'Leary
KELVEDON	Jadwiga Smith Steve Smith	Pat Ezra	Maura Banks
TIPTREE	Isobel Kersey Sheila Barralet	Valerie Bartlett	Mary Branney
FINANCE TEAM	Tony Hinds & Sean O'Leary		

PARISH OF ST MARY IMMACULATE & THE HOLY ARCHANGELS
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

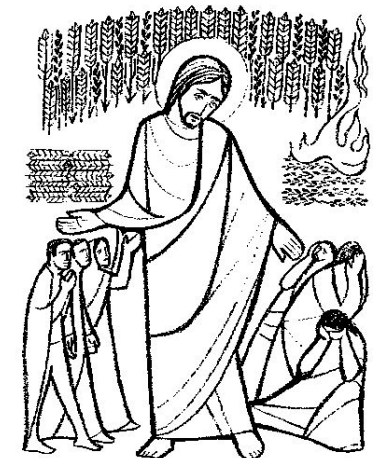
Let them both grow till the harvest.

First Reading: Ws 12:13.16-19

Responsorial Psalm Ps 85:5-6.9-10.15-16

Second Reading: Rom 8:26-27

Gospel: Mt 13:24-43



16TH SUNDAY OF YEAR: In today's Gospel St Matthew gives us several more parables on the Kingdom. Two of them are linked with last week's by the theme of how seed grows. Again Our Lord explains one of his parables – weeds growing in the field and why they are tolerated. God tolerates evil in his world because to root it out could do more harm than good. It is also a parable from which we can draw a moral message. If the good seed is God's word, then the darnel is a word that does not come from God – it can be words that harm other people and prevent them from thriving. Gossip is an example of this. We may intend no harm but by talking about other peoples' failings we cause those listening to us to think poorly of them and undermine their reputation. Once spoken the words take on a life of their own. We cannot take them back or prevent them being exaggerated or distorted. If what we say is true this is called the sin of detraction because we have taken away someone's reputation without need. If it is false, the sin is calumny (slander if spoken or libel if written). Unfortunately it is a weakness to which almost all of us are liable. We can easily condemn journalists and others for seeking out such information but they would have no motive unless there were a ready audience for gossip!

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **George Opper** and **Patrick Stynes** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Nick Kutner** and **Kate Chatters** and to **Richard Crossley** and **Juliet Nasis** married during the past week.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 10th July £797.15.**

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Hilda Hawes, Daniel McDermott, Pam Loweth, Bill Sullivan, Sheila Faulkner, Hanni Kyan, Danny Mullane, Sarah Costello, Donovan Buahin, Mike Gibson, Maria Hoefft, Dwight Page, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holden, Eric Bell, Paul Brittain, Audrey Hopwood, Karen Kelly,** and any unknown to us. If anybody knows of names to be added or deleted from the sick list please let Fr Gordon know.

UNITED SERVICE: Kelvedon & Feering 'Cafe' service this afternoon at Kelvedon URC 4.00 p.m. All welcome. Details on poster in porch.

PRAYER BREAKFAST: Coggeshall Saturday 30th July at St Peter's Church – sign up sheet at back of church. Please note that from now on the venue will rotate between the Churches. **St Bernard's** will host the **October breakfast.** We need to give some thought on how we will manage this – do we need to provide toaster or other equipment or to go for cereals, fruit etc.? **Who will take this on?**

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: The last Parish Prayer Group meeting will be on **Thursday 21st July** and will recommence on **Thursday 8th September 2011.**

UGANDA LOTTERY: This quarter's winners are **Elizabeth Maxted** (£70) and **Pat Richardson** (£37). Congratulations to both of them. Subscriptions for the next quarter are now due (£13). We hope that Fr Gerald will be visiting us during the second half of August and beginning of September. At present he is at home sorting out the paperwork.

FOR THE PEOPLE OF EAST AFRICA: We pray for the people of East Africa who are suffering because of drought that their hunger may be sated and their thirst quenched. **There are still some spare envelopes for the CAFOD FAMINE APPEAL at the back of the church.** Thank you to those who have already given.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR LIFE: Each month The Good Counsel Network calls for a National day of prayer and fasting for the end of Abortion and Euthanasia. This month's day is Saturday 23rd July which is chosen in honour of the feast of St James the Apostle. Please pray and fast on this day. If you are not able to fast completely please consider giving up something that you can, for instance, television, alcohol or cigarettes. For more information please see www.goodcounselnetwork.com or call 0207 723 1740 and speak to Conor or Stuart.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING: To celebrate the recent refurbishment of St Basil the Great, Basildon, there is a Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Thomas on Wednesday 20th July at 7.00 p.m. You are warmly invited, especially if you have a connection to the church which has been in Basildon for almost sixty years.

GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE: Celebrate the Grandparents of Jesus and your Grandparents at the Grandparents Pilgrimage in the Shrine of Our Lady, in Walsingham on Saturday July 23rd. A day of faith and fun for all the family. Mass will be at 12 noon followed by Children's Liturgy. Bouncy Castles, Clowns and Games!!! Bring a picnic! For details visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.com/ or e-mail familylife@dioceseofbrentwood.org or telephone 01277 265252.

LEADERSHIP IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: The Diocese of Brentwood will be offering two year long courses aimed at Developing Leadership in Middle Management at Secondary level and aspiring senior leaders in primary schools (Assistant/ Deputy Head). These courses aim to enhance leadership skills, knowledge and understanding in a Catholic context. These programmes are spread over a ten month period with strong face-to-face and mentor support, they start in October. Details of Middle Management course (Secondary) is available from Nigel Gardener Tel: 02082704242 or email: ngardener@allsaints.bardaglea.org.uk Details of Developing Leadership (Primary) is available from Developing Leadership Team 01277 265265 email: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org

WAS SHAKESPEARE A CATHOLIC?: This will be the subject of a talk by the Shakespeare scholar and Jesuit priest Fr. Peter Milward at the next Essex Recusant Society meeting. This will take place on Saturday 30th July at 2.15 pm at The Grange, 93, Queens Road, Brentwood and will be preceded by the Society's AGM. All are welcome. For further information please contact Miss Isobel Parks on 01268 289678.

FEERING & KELVEDON GARDEN CLUB: Annual Open Show will take place on the 3rd September at Feering Community Centre at 2.00 p.m. For further information contact John Benson, Club Secretary (01376 571127) or visit website www.essexinfo.net/feering-kelvedon-garden-club