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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

He was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place.

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm Ps 46:2-3.6-9

Second Reading: Eph 4:1-13

Gospel: Mk 16:15-20



ASCENSION: “Christ did not leave heaven when he came down from heaven to us; nor did he leave us when he returned to heaven. That he was in heaven at the same time as on earth is attested by his own statement: *no one has ascended to heaven but he who descended from heaven: the Son of man, who is in heaven.* Christ said this because of our oneness with him, for he is our head and we are his body. Only Christ ascended into heaven because we also are Christ: he is the Son of Man by his union with us, and we are children of God by our union with him. This agrees with the Apostle’s saying: *As the body, which has many members, is a unity, since all the different members form one body, so is it also with Christ.* Christ then, has many members, but only one body. Out of compassion for us Christ descended from heaven, and although he ascended alone, we also ascend because we are in him by grace. Thus, no one but Christ descended and no one but Christ ascended. The body has not the same honour as the head, but neither can it in its unity be separated from the head.”

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Dorothy Dodd, John Dunion, Joseph Done, Jim Samuels, Marianne Wright, Danny O’Neill** and **Liam O’Shea** 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.

REQUIEM MASS: **Trish Parkin’s** body will be brought into Church at Kelvedon on Tuesday at 4.30 p.m. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated by Fr Tom Lavin on Wednesday at 11.00 a.m. followed by burial at Kelvedon Cemetery. We also regret to announce the death of a Tollesbury parishioner, **Martin Fairweather.** Funeral details are yet to be arranged.

ORGAN RECITAL: Do come on Thursday evening at 7.45 p.m. for a recital by Stephen King, Organist at the Cathedral, and Philip Prior, Director of Music at St Peter’s, Coggeshall. It will be an opportunity to hear our new organ’s full potential. The recital is free and there will be refreshments afterwards.

CONFIRMATIONS AT PENTECOST: During our 11.00 a.m. Mass next Sunday four of our young people will receive the sacrament of confirmation: **Edward Parry, Chloe Young, Megan Tarling** and **Holly Mattinson.** Please remember them in your prayers.

UGANDA LOTTERY: This Quarter’s prize winners are **John** and **Felicity Bartleet (£70.00)** and **Isobel Kersey (£35.00).** if you would like to subscribe for the next quarter your £13.00 is now due.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 13th May - £725.09.**

PARISH SUMMER FETE SATURDAY 30TH JUNE: There will be a **PLANNING MEETING** on **Thursday 24th May** in **St Dominic's Room** at **10.30 a.m.** If you are free then please come along. If you cannot make the meeting but would like to be involved or have ideas then please contact **Pat (01376 570806)**, **Miriam (01376 570919)** or **Jadwiga (01376 570624)**. We need your support.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' JUBILEE TEA PARTY: Saturday **2nd June** at **3.30 p.m.** In St Dominic's Room, Kelvedon. Please complete and return the pink flyer, there are spare copies at the back of the church by next **Sunday 27th May**.

MALE CHOIR: We are exploring the possibility of starting a male choir or singing group in Kelvedon. We already have a member of the parish interested in leading the group, all we need now are the singers! We are inviting, therefore, all men able to sing and happy to do so, to come and help the parish with this new initiative to make the Sunday Liturgy livelier. You can rest assured that this would not entail a huge commitment. All you have to do is to sing from the choir area, rather than from your bench, on a few Sundays a year and get together for practice from time to time at the group's convenience. Please, contact Angie Hart on 01787 224383 or Gosia on 01621 815493 or via email, mahart66@hotmail.com or malgosia_74@yahoo.co.uk.

MUSICIANS WANTED: You might have noticed that we have a new young musician playing at Kelvedon. We are very grateful to Andy Green for his enthusiasm and help but we need more like him to join us. If you play an instrument in school, and would like to play as part of a group, please come along and try playing with us. We are very flexible with practicing times.. **If you used to play an instrument and you think you have forgotten how to play, we would like to help you rediscover your talent. LESSONS FREE!** If you are interested in playing or just would like to know a bit more, please contact Gosia on 01621 815493 or malgosia_74@yahoo.co.uk.

CHILDREN LITURGY: We have now a group of 8 parishioners sharing the rota for this ministry. We are very grateful to all and each for their enthusiasm and response to our call. However, we would like to remind those who might still be interested in taking part in this ministry that you can join the group at any time. As we are starting afresh and working in pairs to support each other, this might be an ideal time to come along and try! Please, contact Angie Hart on 01787 224383 or mahart66@hotmail.com.

JOSHUA CAMP: Opportunity to get involved with Evangelisation during the London Olympics for young people aged 18+. If you are interested in working with other young people on street evangelisation, hospitality centres, night fever, social justice, prayer walks, perpetual Adoration, sports missions etc. during the London Olympics, then please check out thejoshuacamp.com or look up The Joshua Camp on Facebook. For more information contact the local co-ordinator, Sarah Barber on sarah@bcys.net or call 01277 265286. Registration closing date is 1st June 2012.

**SENIOR PARISHIONERS'
DIAMOND JUBILEE TEA PARTY**

**ST DOMINIC'S ROOM
KELVEDON
3.30 p.m.**

You are cordially invited to attend the Senior Parishioners' Diamond Jubilee Tea Party which will take place on **SATURDAY 2ND JUNE** in **St Dominic's Room** at **3.30 p.m.** The Tea Party is open to all **senior parishioners** and their companions or guests. Admission is free but obviously we need to know numbers for catering purposes. **If you would like to attend, please complete the slip below and leave at the back of one of the three churches as soon as possible and in any event no later than SUNDAY 27TH MAY. Alternatively, please hand your slip to Father Gordon.**

If you know of any senior parishioner who is unable to attend Mass or perhaps is new to the Parish, please take an extra copy of this letter and pass it on to them.

Any questions, please ring **Pat** on **01376 570806**, **Jadwiga** on **01376 570624** or **Miriam** on **01376 570919**.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' DIAMOND JUBILEE TEA PARTY

I/we would like to attend the Tea Party

(Name/s) _____

Tele No: _____

I DO require transport.

DO NOT require transport.

NOTE: If you do require transport, please give the following details:-

Address: _____

Tele No. _____

N.B. Please return this completed slip to one of the Mass Centres as soon as possible.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 3

SUNDAY 20th May <i>Ascension of the Lord</i> <i>(transferred)</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)
MONDAY 21st May <i>St Christopher</i> <i>Magallanes & Comp.</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Children's Prayer Group</i>
TUESDAY 22nd May <i>St Rita of Cascia</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 4.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Reception of body: Patricia Parkin</i>
WEDNESDAY 23rd May	Kelvedon Kelvedon	11.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	<i>Requiem Mass: Patricia Parkin</i> Private Intention
THURSDAY 24th May	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Rymer Family
FRIDAY 25th May <i>St Bede</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SATURDAY 26th May <i>St Philip Neri</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Hannah Cooper
SUNDAY 27th May <i>Pentecost</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 3.00 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Confirmation candidates <i>Baptism: Jessica Grace Russell;</i> <i>reception into full Communion</i> <i>Rachel Louise Nelson</i> Dec'd members Collins Family

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

Liturgical Rotas 27th May	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Teresa Hall Sean O'Leary	Simon Hall	Colleen Furse
KELVEDON	Pat Richardson Jadwiga Smith	Helena McNally	Maura Banks
TIPTREE	Celia Butt Mary Mann	Jean Mullane	Mary Branney