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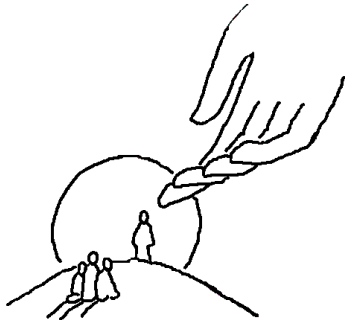
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## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**21st February 2016**

### ***SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT***

*As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face  
was changed.*

**First Reading: Gen 15:5-12.17-18**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 26:1.7-9.13-14**

**Second Reading: Ph 3:17-4:1**

**Gospel: Lk 9:28-36**



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT:** Mathew, Mark and Luke and mention the Transfiguration. St Luke adds the detail of the Lord's conversation with Moses and Elijah. "They talked with him...and spoke of his departure" (in Greek, exodus) "which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem". Jesus listens to the Law and the Prophets who spoke to him about his death and Resurrection. In his intimate dialogue with the Father, he did not flee the mission for which he came into the world, although he knew that to attain glory he would have to pass through the Cross. In our first reading Abram has departed from his homeland at God's invitation to enter a new and promised land. He has stepped out in faith on a journey fraught with danger. God seals his promise with a covenant – he demonstrates by an outward sign that he has accepted Abram's sacrificial offering. This foreshadows the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Our Lord in his human nature offers his life in trust to the Father on our behalf. The glory of the Resurrection is the sign that the Father gives that his offering is accepted – a new and eternal covenant established by his Precious Blood. It is a sign of hope for each of us on our journey through life and especially at the moment we must give our own lives back to God.

**PRAYER NEEDS:** Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially *Vanessa Dann, Angelina Barber, June Jezierski, Mrs Van Stolk (senior), Denis Wood, Kay Smith, Hayley Hetzel, Julie Trueman, Deborah Lee, Bill Sullivan, Pam Loath, Hani Kyan, Karen Kelly, Sheila Faulkner, Mike Gibson, Donovan Bushing, Paul Britain, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Hopwood* and any unknown to us.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember *Kathleen Boyton, David Fox, Anne Stokes, Doris Samuels, Margaret Sawyer, Frances Taylor, Martha Fairweather, Jean O'Neill, Audrey Thurlow, Olive Rivers* and *Maureen O'Keefe* whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**MASS VARIATION:** Thursday Mass will be at 9.00 a.m. due to a meeting in Brentwood.

**TEACHING VACANCIES:** Class teachers- Reception/Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 for September 2016. Headteacher, Mr Dan Craft. St Peter's RC Primary Dagenham RM9 6UU is looking to appoint outstanding practitioners who can help us on our journey from good to outstanding. We are looking for teachers with drive and ambition who relish a challenge and who are passionate about making a difference to the lives of our young people. Closing date 11th March. Please contact the school on 02082706524 or through the website <http://st-peter.bardagelea.org.uk/>

**LENTEN DAY RETREAT:** Led by Bishop Alan Williams S.M. Saturday 27th February 11:00 a.m.- 4.00 p.m. Please join us for a Lenten Day Retreat led by Bishop Alan to be held at Abbotswick, Diocesan House of Prayer, Brentwood. Mass will be celebrated and talks given throughout the day. The suggested donation is £15pp and you are invited to bring your own packed lunch; refreshments will be available. Spaces are limited and advanced booking is essential. For more information, please call 01277 373959 or visit [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org).

**FINANCE:** Offertory collection for **Sunday 14th February - £899.68.**

**LENTEN ECUMENICAL STUDY GROUPS:** This year these will take place in all three centres: **Kelvedon & Feering:** Tuesdays 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. URC and Wednesdays 8.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. St Mary Immaculate. This year we will be making use of a book of poems – one for each day during Lent – and will be reflecting on two of them at each session. **Coggeshall:** Mondays 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. at St Peter's. 'Being Christ in the World'. Each week a national or local charity will speak about their work: 22nd February: Braintree Food Bank. **Tiptree - Lent Bible Study 2016 :** This year our Lent Bible Studies will focus on the way the four Gospel writers and St Paul write about the passion of Jesus. We will be looking at what insights we can draw from each of the descriptions of Jesus' death and the events that led up to it. The course will run ecumenically in Tiptree on Tuesday evenings at 8,00 p.m. at Tiptree URC and on Thursday mornings at 11.00 a.m. at St Luke's. It will also be run, with different leaders, on Wednesdays at 12.00 p.m. at Heath House, Layer Breton, where there will also be a simple lunch. **Session 2 The Passion according to Matthew: Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 25th February** led by Ken Thom. Wednesday 24th February led by Liz Barnes.

Where groups are scheduled twice a week the content and in most cases the leader will be the same on both days.

**PARISH YOUTH GROUP: Sunday 21st February, St Dominic's Room 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Year 10 and up.** Look forward to seeing you all. **Pat Ezra**

**MOVIE NIGHT:** The Youth Group is organising another LENT movie night for children 7 years old and over. The movie, this year is '**The Lost Medallion**'. Please come and join us on **Friday 26th February 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.** in **St Dominic's at Kelvedon**. Finger food and drinks available for children and parents who would like to tag along.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT KELVEDON:** Will resume this Tuesday, 23rd February, 7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

**EAST LONDON THREE FAITHS FORUM:** On Thursday 10th March at 8.00 p.m., Bishop Alan Williams will be speaking in St Anne Line Parish Hall, Grove Crescent, South Woodford E18 2JR on "**Spirituality and High Places**". All welcome. Light refreshments afterwards.

**ALMSHOUSE VACANCY:** A vacancy has arisen at the Almshouses in Ingatestone for someone over 50 who is in need. The cottage, which is part of a group of twelve with a chapel, is small, with a living room, bedroom, fitted kitchen and bathroom. It is suitable for a single person who can live independently, as there is no warden care available. Because of the listed nature of the building we cannot make major adaptations for someone with a disability. Please note that priority may be given to Roman Catholics. For more information, and for an application form, please contact Homes & Watson Partnership (who manage the properties) on Tel No. 01277 355200.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:  
Morning & Evening Prayer: Week 2**

<b>SUNDAY</b> 21st February <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 5.15 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	Peg & M O'Leary Tom Heffernan RIP <i>Stations of the Cross</i> All Parishioners
<b>MONDAY</b> 22nd February <i>Chair of St Peter</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Eileen Tilley RIP
<b>TUESDAY</b> 23rd February	Kelvedon  Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m.  11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Old Brotherhood of the English Secular Clergy <i>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 24th February	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Steven Bradley RIP
<b>THURSDAY</b> 25th February	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Intention Maggie Clark
<b>FRIDAY</b> 26th February	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Secular Clergy Common Fund
<b>SATURDAY</b> 27th February	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Intention Deasy Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 28th February <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 5.15 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	Intention Mae Partridge Mary Daly RIP <i>Stations of the Cross</i> All Parishioners

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

Liturgical Rotas 28th February	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Derek Hand Jane Crone	Sean O'Leary	Clare Gallant
KELVEDON	Tom McInally Patricia Pike	Vivienne Talbot	Elizabeth Maxted
TIPTREE	Isobel Kersey	Tracey O'Donnell	Celia Butt