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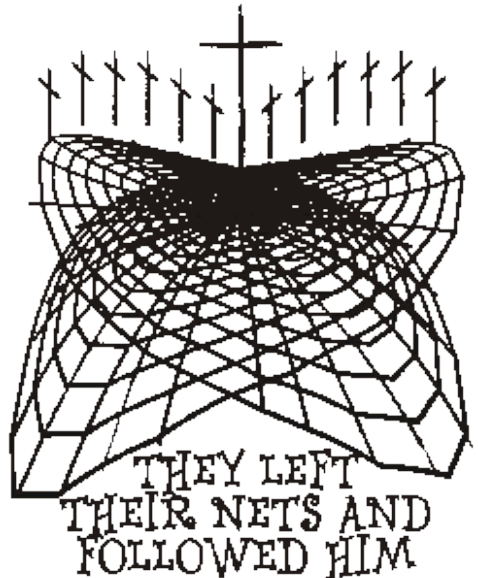
## PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd January 2017

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF YEAR**

*He went and settled in Capernaum: in this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled.*

First Reading	Is 8:23-9:3
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 26:1.4.13-14
Second Reading	1 Cor 1:10-13.17
Gospel	Mt 4:12-23



**THIRD SUNDAY:** Why does Jesus start his ministry not in his home town of Nazareth or the surrounding countryside but rather on the other side of the Sea of Galilee? Capernaum is on the North Eastern shore. One answer is that his own people were not welcoming and were put out that he did not perform many miracles there. Although St Matthew creates the impression that the first act in his ministry is the calling of the disciples we know from elsewhere that he had already started preaching before John's arrest and that Andrew had encountered Jesus and gone to the place he was staying to spend time with him. St Matthew explains that this took place to fulfil Isaiah's prophecy but that does not mean that there were not other human factors prompting the Lord's decision. In Isaiah's times this North Eastern part of Israel was that most in danger from invasion and pagan cultural influences from the North – just as today the Golan Heights are territory disputed with Syria. In Roman times it was an area deliberately colonised by the Romans to provide secure bases with loyal – pagan – subjects. The term 'Decapolis' refers to these ten cities. Capernaum too would have had a mixed community including pagans who were open to Judaism and monotheism. It was fertile ground to plant the seed of the Word, or to become 'fishers of men'.

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

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember *Charles Stanley and Winifred Lawes* whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**WE REGRET:** To announce the death after a short illness of **John Bartleet** of Great Tey. The Requiem Mass will take place at Great Tey parish church 11.00 a.m. Wednesday 1st February, followed by burial in the Churchyard.

**CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK:** A reminder that there is a united service of praise at Tiptree URC this afternoon 4.00 p.m. and that all are welcome to join our friends at the Orthodox Monastery for night prayer tomorrow (Monday) at 8.00 p.m.

**PRAYER BREAKFAST COGGESHALL:** All are welcome to the usual monthly prayer breakfast at Christchurch this Saturday, 28th, 8.00 a.m. - 9.00 a.m.

**HOMELESSNESS SUNDAY:** Caritas Anchor House invites your support through a retiring collection this weekend. Please see inserted leaflet for details.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES:** A reminder to participants that these will take place at Kelvedon each Monday 8.00 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

**5TH SUNDAY TRIDENTINE MASS:** Since this January has five Sundays there will be a Tridentine Mass at Kelvedon 3.00 p.m. Sunday 29th.

**CHOIR:** Michael Wigley is looking for singers from our congregation to join a choir he is forming to sing at the 30th anniversary mass at Abbotswick Diocesan House of Prayer near Brentwood on Saturday 8th July. If you can't sing in tune or have never sung in a choir before you will also be most welcome. Please phone 01376 572244 or email michael.wigley57@gmail.com

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP AT KELVEDON URC:** If you enjoy meeting friends in a relaxed atmosphere then please come and join us. We meet on the **second Thursday** each month from 2.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m. with an interesting speaker/topic and time to share fellowship over a cuppa! The next meeting will be on **Thursday 9th February** with a visit from Rose Loy. 9th March - Elizabeth Maxted, 13th April Easter reflection, 11th May - Recipe exchange/tasting, 8th June - AGM/Tea. All are welcome. For more information contact Gwyn Pegram 01376 573956.

**PLACES ON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** There are places available on a pilgrimage to Lourdes with Across for the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Departing Beckton on Thursday 9th February by Jumbulance and returning Tuesday 14th February. The cost is just £350 for full board in 4\* Accommodation close to the sanctuary and a full programme of events. Places available for helpers willing to push wheelchairs, and for those with limited mobility or needing some care. Please contact Fr James Mackay at St Anne's, Custom House 02074762084, or email [customhouse@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:customhouse@dioceseofbrentwood.org).

**VACANCY FOR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN - ST JOHN PAYNE RC CHELMSFORD:** From February 2017, we are seeking to appoint for maternity cover for our School Chaplain. Details and application forms available through our website, under Vacancies [www.sjp.essex.sch.uk](http://www.sjp.essex.sch.uk), or by contacting [finance@sjp.essex.sch.uk](mailto:finance@sjp.essex.sch.uk). Applicants must be practising Catholics and be fully supported by a Priest. Deadline for applications is 30th January 2017. Interview date to be advised. Job is live on TES portal via our website.

**ANNUAL LOURDES MASS:** Our Lady of Lourdes is both patroness of our Diocese and the sick. As a Diocese we are invited to join Bishop Alan on February 5th at 3.00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes, Wansted, to celebrate our annual Lourdes Mass as part of the Diocesan centenary celebrations. During Mass the Sacrament of Anointing will be given to those who are unwell. This Mass is replacing the mass which is usually celebrated at the Cathedral.

**VACANCY:** Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is looking for a new Director. This charity achieves so much for children and young people and their families across the Brentwood Diocese and the right person will find the role of leading bccs to be most rewarding. This Catholic Charity is based on strong foundations of Catholic Social Teaching that enable us to help children of all faiths and none. For Application Pack email Steven at [swebb@bccs.org.uk](mailto:swebb@bccs.org.uk) The closing date for applications is Friday 3rd February (noon).

**FINANCE:** Offertory Collection for **Sunday 15th January - £792.00.**

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS:  
Morning & Evening Prayer: Week 3**

<b>SUNDAY</b> 22nd January <i>3rd of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon  Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.  6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Dec.rels Moran, Kilbane, Bradley, Tierney & Mullen Families Christian Unity
<b>MONDAY</b> 23rd January	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Christian Unity
<b>TUESDAY</b> 24th January <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Maura La Roche RIP <i>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 25th January <i>Conversion of St Paul</i>	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Christian Unity
<b>THURSDAY</b> 26th January <i>Sts Timothy &amp; Titus</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Mgr John McDonald RIP
<b>FRIDAY</b> 27th January <i>St Angela Merici</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>SATURDAY</b> 28th January <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>SUNDAY</b> 29th January <i>4th of Year</i> <i>[1962 4th after Epiphany]</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 3.00 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	John Bartleet RIP Margaret Powell (anniversary) <i>Tridentine: Private Intention</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 29th January	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Lanette Bridgman Neville Bridgman	Sean O'Leary	Clare Gallant
KELVEDON	Helena McInally Tom McInally	Jadwiga Smith	Gloria Streat
TIPTREE	Sue Petchey	Simon Hall	Celia Butt