

PARISH OF ST MARY IMMACULATE & THE HOLY ARCHANGELS
KELVEDON, ST. BERNARD COGGESHALL, ST JOHN HOUGHTON TIPTREE,
(Twinned with St Joseph's Mission, Besters, Natal)

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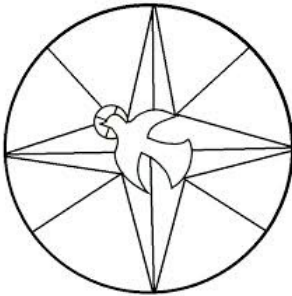
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th May 2014

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

First Reading: Ac 8:5-8.5-8.14-17

Responsorial Psalm Ps 65: 1-7.16-20

Second Reading: 1 Pt 3:15-18

Gospel: Jn 14:15-21



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: A theme that connects our Gospel and first reading today is 'waiting on the Holy Spirit'. The Samaritans visited by St Philip had heard of the message of Christ but were baptised only in the name of Jesus rather than the Holy Trinity, so he lays hands on them and they now receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel Our Lord promises the disciples, gathered at the Last Supper, that the Father will send them the Spirit of Truth. He will be with them in a new way even after he ascends into heaven through this unseen presence of the Spirit. He refers to the Holy Spirit as 'Advocate'. There is no one word that adequately conveys what the Greek 'Paraclete' means. Literally it is someone 'called to stand alongside'. In a courtroom context it means 'advocate' – someone who speaks out for another. In a less formal context it means it means 'friend' or 'comforter'. Both of these images suggest that the Holy Spirit is outside of us but Our Lord's gift is greater even than this. He comes not just to stand alongside us but to dwell within us, to speak out and accomplish God's work through us. We have received this wonderful gift of God's presence on the day of our baptism, renewed and strengthened at confirmation. As we approach the feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost let us reflect on the presence of the Holy Spirit in our own lives and in particular ask him to deepen our relationship with God in prayer.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember *Marianne Wright, Danny O'Neill, Liam O'Shea, Jean Ward, John Sawyer and Joyce Parkin* whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER NEEDS Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially *Bruce Radcliff, Julie Hillyard, Kay Smith, Isobel Kersey, Julie Trueman, Audrey Thurlow, Hayley Hetzel, Deborah Lee, Bill Sullivan, Pam Loath, Hani Kyan, Karen Kelly, Sheila Faulkner, Mike Gibson, Donovan Bushing, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Paul Britain, Audrey Hopwood* and any unknown to us.

TIPTREE BIBLE SOCIETY ACTION GROUP: Advance notice that there will be a home produce stall in the Centre on Saturday 14th June to raise funds for the work of the Bible Society.

MASS VARIATIONS: Please note that **Mass on Monday** will be at **8.00 a.m.** as I am assisting with a pilgrimage to the shrine of St Augustine at Ramsgate. On **Wednesday Mass** will be at **9.00 a.m.**

WEDDING: Our good wishes go to **Marianne Thompson** and **Anthony Crocker** who will be married at Kelvedon on Saturday at 1.00 p.m.

PARISH SUMMER FETE: **Saturday 28th June, 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.** in the **Presbytery Garden, Kelvedon**. If you can help in any way, run a stall, make a cake, donate items for the stalls, help to set up or clear away, then please let us know. **Aggie (01376 573694) Pat (01376 570806), Miriam (01376 570919) or Jadwiga (01376 570624).** **RAFFLE TICKETS** are now available at the back of the church. Please take some to sell.

FINANCE: Offertory collection for **Sunday 18th May - £533.23.**

JOB VACANCY AT BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL: With the forthcoming retirement of the present Cathedral Personal Assistant, the Cathedral Dean, Fr Martin Boland, is looking for a PA to support him in running both a large, busy parish and the many diocesan events that take place at the Cathedral. Among other qualities, this position requires someone with: excellent secretarial and computing skills, good social skills and an ability to deal in a pastoral manner with a wide range of people and situations, an understanding and commitment to the life and work of the Catholic Church. The successful candidate will be trustworthy, discreet, reliable and hardworking. For more information including a detailed job description and salary details, please contact **Fr Martin Boland** by **June 15th** at cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com or at Brentwood Cathedral, Clergy House, 28 Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT. Tel: 01277 265235.

NEW HALL VACANCIES: **1) Resident Priest.** A skilled, compassionate Chaplain to serve and support the community of students, parents and staff, in particular the residential community of 260 boarders, aged 7-18. Candidates must be Roman Catholic priests and will celebrate a weekly Mass for boarders. There would be an opportunity to contribute to RE/Theology teaching if desired. This post may be full or part time and there is an option of either a fixed term 2-year contract or a permanent position. **2) Resident Head of Chaplaincy.** To lead the Chaplaincy team, the Sixth Form General RE programme and the New Hall Voluntary Service (NHVS). Candidates will be Catholic and have experience of Chaplaincy work, preferably in a school context. Counselling experience or interest would be welcome. For further details and Application Form contact the HR Dept: Tel: 01245 467 588. Email: hr@newhallschool.co.uk www.newhallschool.co.uk **Closing Date: Midday, Monday 16th June 2014.** Accommodation on campus • access to a car if required • generous salary • excellent benefits & training provision • long holidays, pension scheme and meals during term time • superb working environment •

PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD: The Knights of St. Columba, Colchester are organising a pilgrimage to Aylesford, Kent on **Sunday 8th June**. All parishioners are welcome. After Mass at 12 noon, you can enjoy a picnic on the beautiful grounds of Aylesford Priory. Before we return there will be Rosary and Benediction. People from all around the province will be attending. It will be great day out for you and your family. Cost is £13 for adults for the coach and half price for children with very young children going free. Bring a packed lunch or there is a restaurant on site. Coach leaving East Hill at 9.00 a.m. and pick up also from London Road, Stanway and High Street, Witham. To book a place, please contact Stewart Taylor on 01206 271606 or 0754829333 or Justin Nathan on 07845 392684 or 01206 241317.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS: First Full Diocesan Pilgrimage to the **Holy Land. 1st - 9th July 2015.** Visit the sites in Jerusalem and Galilee, as well as visits to Christian Communities to see and hear about what is really happening in their lives. Detailed itinerary to follow soon. **Cost £1595.** It looks to be a wonderful and exciting pilgrimage. Contact Fr. Paul Fox at St. Mary's, Hornchurch, hornchurchstmmg@dioceseofbrentwood.org or telephone 01708 447761.

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

SUNDAY 25th May <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Evelyn Barraud RIP All Parishioners Private Intention
MONDAY 26th May <i>St Philip Neri</i>	Kelvedon	8.00 a.m.	Private Intention
TUESDAY 27th May <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i>	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 28th May	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
THURSDAY 29th May	Kelvedon Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 8.00-9.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Parish Prayer Group</i>
FRIDAY 30th May <i>Visitation of BVM</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SATURDAY 31st May <i>Dedication of Cathedral</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 1.00 p.m.	Intention Clark Family <i>Wedding: Anthony Crocker & Marianne Thompson</i>
SUNDAY 1st June <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners Charles Savage RIP Deceased Antczak & Jasinski Families

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

Liturgical Rotas 1st June	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Derek Hand Jane Crone	Sean O'Leary	Ann Ross
KELVEDON	Tom McNally Patricia Pike	Gulia Horrocks	Elizabeth Maxted
TIPTREE	Teresa Hall	Marisa Orchard	Celia Butt