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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

19th January 2014

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### **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 OF YEAR:** 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 any 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'.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember **Edward Piekielon, Winifred Winfield, Kay Brown,** and **Phyllis Chine** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**PRAYER NEEDS** Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Julie Hillyard, Kay Smith, Halina Piekielon, Helen Felgate, 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.

**CANDLEMAS:** The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord occurs next Sunday and displaces the texts for the 4th Sunday of the Year. All Masses will begin with the blessing of candles and the short procession.

**THE BIGGER BREAKFAST:** We host the February Prayer Breakfast this Saturday 8.00-9.00 a.m. Do join us in prayer for the needs of the local community.

**MONTHLY TRIDENTINE MASS:** Mass will be celebrated according to the 1963 missal on Saturday at 12.15 p.m. Confessions and Exposition will continue from 10.30 a.m. till 12.00 noon.

**HANDEL MESSIAH:** Everyone is warmly invited to a performance of *Handel's Messiah* at St Bede's Church, Bishop's Avenue, Chadwell Heath, Romford RM6 5RS on **Sunday, 2nd February, at 7.00 p.m.** The concert will be given by the Ex London Music College Students (ELMS) Chamber Orchestra, Bravissima (Chorus Director Julia Wilson-James), Lay Clerks from Brentwood Cathedral Choir and Soloists. The conductor is Andrew Wright. Admission is free with retiring collection. Do come if you are free.

**PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING:** Sunday 26th January, 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. at SION Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood. Everyone welcome.

**JOB VACANCY:** Experienced sales/marketing professional required for a full-time role by **Churchmarketplace** – the online supply portal developed by, and for, the Catholic Dioceses of England and Wales. Please contact [paolocamoletto@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:paolocamoletto@rcdow.org.uk), tel. 020 7798 9036, for a job description and person specification. Closing date for completed applications is 7th February 2014.

**PREPARING FOR THE RITE OF ELECTION:** A meeting for clergy and RCIA catechists will take place on **Thursday 6th February 7.30pm** in the Cathedral Conference Centre and will be led by members of the Diocesan Network team.

**FINANCE:** Offertory collections for **Sunday 19th January - £772.71.**

**ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY:** The next Essex Recusant Society event is a combined event with the parish of St. Anne Line, South Woodford. Martin Dodwell has published a new biography of the Essex saint, St. Anne Line, entitled "Anne Line: Shakespeare's Tragic Muse." Mr. Dodwell will be giving a talk on this subject on Sunday 2nd February at 3.30 pm in the parish hall (behind the church) at St. Anne Line, Grove Crescent, South Woodford, London, E18 2 JR. Copies of the book will be available to purchase. There will be Benediction at 4.30 pm. This talk will be of interest to admirers of St. Anne Line, historians and Shakespeare scholars alike. There is car parking available and the church is a short walk from South Woodford station (Central Line).

**TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCY:** 36 hours per week – Term time only. Unqualified Scale 2 point 11- £16,647 (pro rata). Qualified Scale 3 point 14 - £17,658 (pro rata). We need a committed, hardworking, enthusiastic and caring person to work in our friendly outstanding Catholic Primary School. The post is for supporting class teachers and children from Nursery to Year 6 including those with special needs and English as an additional language. This post will involve some 1 to 1 work with SEN pupils. The appointed person will also be expected to run before and after school clubs. As part of the interview process short listed candidates will be asked to sit a literacy and numeracy test. Reference requests will be sent for if you are short listed. Interviews will take place week beginning Monday 10th February 2014. Application form and further details from the school or you can download an application form from the CES website. [www.catholiceducation.org.uk](http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk) Completed forms should be returned to the school St Joachim's Catholic Primary School, Shipman Road, Custom House, London E16 3DT by Monday 3rd February 2014.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORIE:** This Easter, 16th-23rd April, only £499. Price includes return flights with British Airways from London Gatwick, coach transfers to Medjugorje, half board accommodation and experienced guide. For more information please contact Jonathan on 01423 546 175 or email [travel@aglowpilgrimages.com](mailto:travel@aglowpilgrimages.com)

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

<b>SUNDAY</b> 26th January <i>Third Sunday of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	All Parishioners J.J. Mullen & family deceased Maria Melton (anniversary)
<b>MONDAY</b> 27th January <i>St Angela Merici</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Fr Joseph Williams RIP
<b>TUESDAY</b> 28th January <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Secular Clergy Common Fund <i>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 29th January	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Private Intention
<b>THURSDAY</b> 30th January	Kelvedon Coggeshall Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 8.00-9.00 p.m.	Private Intention Private Intention <i>Parish Prayer Group</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 31st January <i>St John Bosco</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Old Brotherhood of the English Secular Clergy
<b>SATURDAY</b> 1st February <i>[1962: St Ignatius]</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon	10.00 a.m. 12.15 p.m.	Intention Deasy Family <i>Tridentine</i> Private Intention
<b>SUNDAY</b> Candlemas 2nd February <i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention Albert Mason (anniversary) All Parishioners

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: *this Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon*  
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.**

Liturgical Rotas 2nd February	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
<b>COGGESHALL</b>	Ann Ross Jane Crone	Desmond Crone	Ann Ross
<b>KELVEDON</b>	Pat Richardson Jadwiga Smith	Vivien Talbot	Marie Sullivan
<b>TIPTREE</b>	Sue Petchey	Eileen Roberts	Sue Petchey