

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 3			
SUNDAY 27th March <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.	Private Intention <i>All Parishioners</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i> Manuel Issa RIP
MONDAY 28th March	Kelvedon Coggeshall	9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	Private Intention <i>Mothers' Prayer Group</i>
TUESDAY 29th March	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 30th March	Kelvedon Kelvedon	7.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i> Private Intention
THURSDAY 31st March	Kelvedon Coggeshall Coggeshall Coggeshall	9.00 a.m. 9.30-10.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Church open for prayer</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i> Private Intention
FRIDAY 1st April	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Eugene William Read (ann.)
SATURDAY 2nd April	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention
SUNDAY 3rd April <i>4th of Lent 'Laetare' or 'Mothering' Sunday</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 5.15 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	Private Intention Violet Gillen (anniversary) <i>Stations of the Cross</i> All Parishioners
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. With Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction</i>			

Liturgical Rotas 3rd April	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Sean O'Leary Teresa Hall	Jill Hinds	Edwina Abram
KELVEDON	Pat Richardson Pat Short	Jadwiga Smith	Maura Banks
TIPTREE	Celia Butt Mary Mann	Danny Mullane	Mary Branney
FINANCE TEAM	Tony Hinds & Tom Mcnally		

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

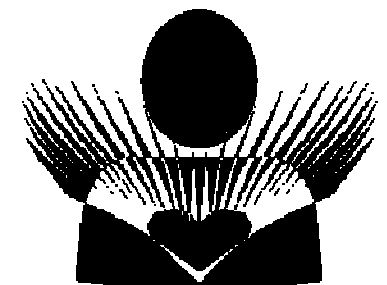
A spring of water welling up to eternal life.

First Reading: Ex 17:3-7

Responsorial Psalm PS 94:1-2.6-9

Second Reading: Rom 5:1-2.5-8

Gospel: Jn 4:5-42



*The Water I Shall Give
Will Become A Spring
Of Living Water
Welling Up To
Eternal Life*

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: Today's readings focus on the life-giving nature of water. First God gives the Israelites in the desert a spring to drink from. The Jesus offers the Samaritan woman by the well a spring of living water – the gift of the Holy Spirit. In a hot climate water is always welcome but often involves hard work to raise from a well or to transport in jars. How much more welcome is the clear cold water from a spring! In his [Lenten message](#) for 2011, Benedict XVI writes: "The question that Jesus puts to the Samaritan woman: 'Give me a drink' (John 4: 7), [...] expresses the passion of God for every man and woman, and wishes to awaken in our hearts the desire for the gift of "a spring of water within, welling up for eternal life' (John 4:14): This is the gift of the Holy Spirit, who transforms Christians into 'true worshipers,' capable of praying to the Father 'in spirit and truth' (John 4:23). Only this water can extinguish our thirst for goodness, truth and beauty! Only this water, given to us by the Son, can irrigate the deserts of our restless and unsatisfied soul, until it 'finds rest in God,' as per the famous words of St. Augustine."

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Sr Mary Celestine, Eileen Murphy, Timmy Brown, Sr Catherine, Evelyn Shaw, Louise Braun** and **Patrick Shaw** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Lucas Austin Gibbons** baptised at Kelvedon last Sunday.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST: Kelvedon & Feering: The next breakfast takes place 8.00-9.00 a.m. this Saturday at **Feering Mission**. All welcome.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Pam Lowth, Bill Sullivan, Sheila Faulkner, Hanni Kyan, Danny Mullane, Sarah Costello, Dorothy Dodd, Donovan Buahin, Mike Gibson, Elliot Chisholm, Maria Hoeft, Dwight Page, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holder, Eric Bell, Paul Brittain, Audrey Hopwood, Karen Kelly, Daniel McDermott** and any unknown to us. If you know of names to be added or deleted please let Fr Gordon know.

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH: Our next session of the 'Evangelium' course will look at the life and public ministry of Christ: Kelvedon Friday 8.00-9.30 p.m.

APPEAL BY 'SURVIVE-MIVA': Next weekend there is an appeal on behalf of 'Survive-MIVA'. This charity provides means of transport to missionaries. It is several years since they last paid us a visit.

LENTEN COURSE: "Life to the Full" Thursday 31st March at 7:00 p.m. St Dominic's Room.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: *Seen through children's eyes and retold by children's hearts.* Friday 1st April, 6.30 p.m. at our Kelvedon church. All are welcome.

PARISH OFFERTORY: Our Gift aid records were audited a few weeks ago. Gerry Curran, the Diocesan accountant has written to Fr Gordon, sending congratulations to those on the Finance Team who look after the arrangements, and observing "***the records and procedures are meticulously maintained and contained no errors. Our congratulations to your team. Well done!***"

ST FRANCIS RC PRIMARY MALDON: Due to the retirement of our Headteacher, the governors are seeking to welcome an inspirational, enthusiastic and dedicated person to lead our happy school community at this exciting time. St Francis School is a loving community, respecting every child and adult, caring for God's World and helping each other to do our best as we grow together in Christ. **Salary: L14 – L20 – NOR: 222 Start: September 2011.** You are welcome to come and visit our school – please contact Mrs Christine Nunn on 01621 856698 to arrange a visit. **Closing date** for receipt of applications: **Tuesday 26 April 2011 at Noon. Shortlisting date: Tuesday 26 April 2011. Interviews** will be held on **Friday 6 May 2011.** For an application pack please contact Keren Prior, Essex County Council, Schools Workforce Development Team, PO Box 47, County Hall, Chelmsford CM2 6WN. Tel No: 01245 434031 or email: headships@essex.gov.uk

ECUMENICAL STUDY DAY ON CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT AND THE FINANCIAL CRISIS: The Tenth Ecumenical Study Day run by the diocesan Commission for Evangelisation and Formation will take place at Brentwood Cathedral Hall on Saturday 4th June from 10.30 until 3 p.m. The theme for the day is 'Catholic Social Thought and the Financial Crisis'. The speaker will be Dominican Sister Helen Alford, who is Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the Pontifical University of St Thomas Aquinas in Rome. To avoid disappointment please be sure to book your place by email to cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org or by phone 01277 265289. There is no charge for the event and a buffet lunch is provided.

LENT TALK: With Sr Helen Costigan, SHCJ- What does it mean to forgive and to be forgiven? Tuesday 5th April Cathedral Conference Centre, 7.30pm Cost £5 per person. For booking all events please contact the Adult Religious Education office on 01277 265255 or email arefm@dioceseofbrentwood.org

FINANCE: Offertory collection for Sunday **20th March - £872.33.**

MASS VARIATION: Mass at Kelvedon on Thursday will be at 9.00 a.m.

FOLK GROUP: A reminder that our very own parish folk group **Meditation** are presenting "**The Journey**", a Lenten Reflection on the life of Christ, in the Brentwood Theatre **this evening** on behalf of CAFOD. Tickets are £10.00 at the door, and because our folk group do not get paid, **all proceeds go to Cafod.** Do come for a very spiritually uplifting evening.

CATHOLIC SINGLES: An organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, email info@catholicsingles.org.uk or visit the website www.catholicsingles.org.uk

I CALL YOU FRIENDS: A new resource for children attending non-Catholic schools - 5-11 year olds. Monday 28th March, Cathedral Conference Centre, 7.30pm This will be of particular interest to Priests and Catechists. The evening will be led by Mgr George Stokes, Sr Victoria Hummel, Dr Bridie Stringer and Nuala Gannon.