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PARISH NEWSLETTER

15th January 2012

SECOND SUNDAY OF YEAR

They saw where he lived, and stayed with him.

First Reading: 1 Sam 3:3-1. 19
Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10
Second Reading: 1 Cor 6:13-15.17-20
Gospel: Jn 1:35-42



SECOND SUNDAY OF YEAR: The Church's year, outside seasons such as Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, is described as 'Ordinary Time'. During this period, interrupted by Lent and Easter, we hear each year in turn the accounts of Our Lord's life and ministry from Sts Matthew, Mark and Luke. We hear from St John's Gospel primarily during Easter, but also to supplement the relative shortness of St Mark's Gospel. It is for this reason that we hear today how St John the Baptist points out Jesus to two of his followers, and this leads to the first meeting of Andrew and Simon with the Lord. It helps to explain next week's account of their call on the seashore from St Mark's Gospel. The invitation to become fishers of men did not come out of the blue from a complete stranger. Their minds had already been prepared by the time they had spent listening to the Lord, just as the boy Samuel in today's first reading had been prepared by his night vigil and the advice of Eli.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember **Margaret Barnes, Arnold Worrall, Ada Tim, Eileen Polley, Violet Gillen, Thomas Martin, Kathleen Wade, Kerry Anderson, James Powell, Ronald Wilton, Philip Sopher, Patricia Field, Margaret Nicholas, Ethel Evans, Sr. Mary Paul Chard** and **Bishop Doubleday** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER NEEDS: Please continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick especially **Bill Sullivan, Trisha Parkin, Mark Petchey, Deborah Lee, Hilda Hawes, Pam Lowth, Hanni Kyan, Sheila Faulkner, Karen Kelly, Sarah Costello, Donovan Buahin, Mike Gibson, Rebecca Dillon, Brian Harper, Eddie Price, Anne Entwistle, Audrey Holder, Eric Bell, Paul Brittain, Audrey Hopwood** and any unknown to us.

PEACE SUNDAY: The universal Church keeps 1st January as the World Day of Prayer for Peace, but in England and Wales it is transferred to today, with a collection for the work of Pax Christi. If you are part of the Gift Aid scheme, please use the special envelopes, otherwise envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

PRAYER BREAKFAST – COGGESHALL: The next prayer breakfast will be at Christchurch on Saturday 28th January 8.00-9.00 a.m. If you intend going please sign the list for catering purposes.

WE REGRET: To announce the death of **Mr John Griffin** of Western House, Church Road, Kelvedon. His Requiem Mass will take place at Kelvedon this Tuesday at 11.00 a.m.

MASS VARIATIONS: There will be no Mass at Kelvedon this Thursday morning due to a school Mass at St Benedict's College.

SPUC: The annual retiring 'white flower' collection for the work of the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child will be taken up after Mass on **Sunday 22nd January.**

FINANCE: The Offertory collection for **Sunday 8th January - £756.77.**

STAFF VACANCY: Vacancy available for paid position of assistant administrator in the office of the House of Prayer at Abbotswick. Nine hours p.w. Timing of work can be negotiated. If interested, please first contact recruitment@dioceseofbrentwood.org for a job description and person specification, and then send in your CV, highlighting relevant experience and skills. Closing date for CVs/applications is 20th January.

A SPECIAL KIND OF RETREAT: A Foyer de Charité Retreat will be held at the Sion Community, Brentwood from Sunday 29 January (6pm) – Saturday 4th February (2pm). The theme is **God's Plan for the Fullness of Time**, and the preacher will be Mgr. Keith Barltrop, with help from members of the Foyer de Charité in Tressaint, Brittany. Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with three talks a day, and offer a holistic way of deepening our faith in the Church's teaching and our life in Christ. The Foyers are communities of consecrated lay people living with a priest in order to help others grow closer to Christ and live the Catholic faith more fully. For further information or to book a place, contact Mgr. Barltrop: 07879 953953; St. Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse Road, Bayswater, London W2 5DJ; keithbarltrop@rcdow.org.uk.

OASIS OF PEACE MARIAN PRAYER DAY: On Saturday **February 11th** at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 11, Church Hill, Epping, Essex, CM16 4RA, from 10.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Led by Canon Seamus Keenan. *Come and celebrate four years of Canon Seamus' ministry to us, and bid him farewell.* Includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Talk and discussion. Please bring packed lunch – drinks provided. More information from Susan on 01992 575017 or marys_nook@talktalk.net.

RETREAT WEEKEND FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Theme: *Lord, let my prayer rise before you.* **10th - 12th February** at Salford. The weekend will provide opportunity for prayer, reflection and discussion with other catholic adults (20s and 30s). For more information visit www.facebook.com/events/255697284501022 or contact Sr. Mary Anne fcj at maryannefcj@gmail.com

CATHOLIC PARLIAMENTARY & PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIPS: For the last nine years the Catholics Bishops Conference has organised Parliamentary and Public Policy Internships for recently graduated Catholics. This year we are looking to offer 8 internships: Five interns will be placed with Christian MPs at Westminster; two in Public Policy with CAFOD and CARITAS Social Action Network; and one in a media internship at Archbishop's House Westminster. All internships will run from September 2012 - July 2013 and include accommodation and subsistence allowances. Full details and an application form can be found on our website: <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/interns> Completed application forms must either be emailed to interns@cbcew.org.uk or posted to: Michaela Kelly, Head of HR, 39 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1BX. The closing date is 5pm on 29th February 2012 and Assessment days will be 28th and 29th March 2012.

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: This begins on Wednesday 18th January. The arrangements will follow the usual pattern at Tiptree with each Church hosting a service or meeting of some sort:

St Luke's: Eucharist Thursday 19th at 10.00 a.m.

[Barn Dance Social event at St Luke's extension Saturday 21st]

URC: Bible Study session Sunday 22nd 7.00 p.m.

Orthodox Monastery: night prayer Monday 23rd 8.00 p.m.

St. John Houghton's: Service Tuesday 11.00 a.m.

In Coggeshall there will be a joint service for Unity Week at **St Peter's on Sunday 22nd at 5.15 p.m.** Copies of the prayer leaflet for the week will be available at the back of the Church for those who would like to use it day by day during the week.

NEWS FROM OTHER CHURCHES: Rev. Philip Banks will be installed as Precentor of Bury St Edmunds' Cathedral on 19th February and will conduct his last service at St Peter's, Coggeshall on Sunday 29th January at 10.30 a.m. Rev. Mike Shrubsole from Christchurch will also be moving in June to take up a post in Hampshire, closer to his family. In principle he should be followed by a minister in the Methodist tradition, but this will be subject to discussion over the next few months. It will mean that the only Free Church minister in post within the confines of our Catholic parish will be at Tollesbury. There will also be restructuring in the Church of England in a year's time with Rev. Anne-Marie Renshaw of St Luke's, Tiptree, taking on responsibility for an additional seven parishes – making nine in all – with one assistant to replace two retiring clergy.

'BEAUTIFUL AFRICA': Brentwood Commission for Justice and Social Responsibility with Brentwood Cathedral Music and the Pastor of Pastor Sawyer's Church are hosting Watoto African Children's Choir at Brentwood Cathedral on **Tuesday 31st January, 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.** The choir comprises orphaned children from Uganda and has performed at Buckingham Palace, 10 Downing Street, the Commonwealth games and the White House. All are welcome. There is no mention of an admission charge but no doubt there will be a retiring collection.

SHINE IN 2012: Bishop David Hawkins invites you to start the year in prayer together at Leyton Orient FC. A time of prayer and inspiration at the start of 2012 with a challenge to the Church to rise up in this significant year. **Tuesday 17th January, 12.00 - 2.00 p.m.** to include a sandwich lunch at 12.00 - doors open 11.45 a.m. With Jane Holloway More than Gold Prayer Team, Jonathan Oloyede Global Day of Prayer and **Duncan Green Head of Chaplaincy Services for the Olympic Games.**

THE WIZARD OF OZ: Saint John Payne Catholic School are presenting the musical "The Wizard of Oz" at 7.30 p.m. on **Thursday 2nd, Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th February.** Parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to buy tickets in advance. Tickets will be on sale from Monday January 9th with adult tickets costing £6 and concessions (including children, students and senior citizens) costing £5. Tickets can be purchased via the Box Office on 01245 603156.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS
Psalms for Morning Prayer: Week 2

SUNDAY 15th January <i>2nd of Year</i>	Coggeshall Kelvedon Tiptree	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Andrew McGonagall (ann.) All Parishioners David Bartlett (anniversary)
MONDAY 16th January	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Roma Royal (anniversary)
TUESDAY 17th January <i>St Anthony Abbot</i>	Kelvedon Kelvedon Tiptree Kelvedon	8.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 7.30-8.30 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Requiem: John Griffin RIP</i> <i>Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY 18th January	Kelvedon	7.30 p.m.	Christian Unity
THURSDAY 19th January <i>St Wulstan</i>	Kelvedon Coggeshall Kelvedon	NO MASS 7.30 p.m. 8.00-9.00 p.m.	Private Intention <i>Prayer Group</i>
FRIDAY 20th January <i>Sts Fabian & Sebastian</i>	Kelvedon	9.00 a.m.	Secular Clergy Common Fund
SATURDAY 21st January <i>St Agnes</i>	Kelvedon	10.00 a.m.	Old Brotherhood of the English Secular Clergy
SUNDAY 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'd rels. Ellinor Ingram Danny Mullane RIP
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction</i>			

Liturgical Rotas 22nd January	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Welcome
COGGESHALL	Sue Harrison Phil Harrison	Sean O'Leary	Clare Gallant
KELVEDON	Helena McNally Patricia Short	Tom McNally	Edna Morgan
TIPTREE	Valerie Bartlett Teresa Hall	Simon Hall	Margaret Jopling
FINANCE TEAM	Tom McNally & Ton y Hinds		