

Crunch time for the Church

- **JOIN Forward in Faith (see p12)**
- **Affiliate your parish with FiF**
- **Get your PCC to pass Resolution C**

National Assembly backs Society

OF ALL the Resolutions (see inset) passed by the Nineteenth Forward in Faith National Assembly at the Emmanuel Centre in October, one in particular stands out.

Delegates overwhelmingly threw the weight of Forward in Faith behind The Mission Society recently launched under the patronage of St Wilfrid and St Hilda and instructed the FiF Council to do all it can to support it during this formative period.

The Society, in the words of its Website: is a company of believers led by bishops and loyal to the Church of England and her catholic heritage who are committed to a bold proclamation of Jesus Christ as Lord through:

- A lively ministry of preaching and teaching
- A careful and creative celebration of the Sacraments
- Pastoral care that extends from the local congregation to the nation
- A working with others of goodwill in the Church and beyond to build a society that reflects the values of the Kingdom of God
- Bishops, priests and deacons consistent with the tradition of the Church, East and West
- The creation for the sake of the whole Church of an ecclesial community that is both loyal to the traditions of the Church of England and yet, because of the clear difference of views about the ordination of women, has its own bishops with jurisdiction and so a guaranteed sacramental and missional life
- Continuing to work with urgency for the unity of the Church consistent with the prayer and purpose of Jesus, and as reflected in the ARCIC process.

Membership of The Society is open to parishes,

2011/01

This Assembly calls upon the House of Bishops and the General Synod of the Church of England to exercise their powers to amend the draft Measure to permit the ordination of women as bishops in the manner of the Archbishops' Amendment which will enable all those faithful men, women and children unable in conscience to receive this innovation to remain members of the Church of England.

Proposed by the Council of Forward in Faith
As amended by Bishop Robert Ladds

2011/02

This Assembly thanks Fr Nicholas Turner for his six year tenure of the Editorship of **NEW DIRECTIONS** and pays tribute to his great skill in bringing it through a most difficult period in its life. The Assembly also congratulates Fr Philip Corbett on his appointment as Editor and applauds the manner in which he has taken the magazine forward in his first few months at its helm.

Proposed by the Council of Forward in Faith

2011/03

This Assembly calls upon all the members of Forward in Faith, lay and ordained, to do more to foster vocations to the Sacred Ministry and the Religious Life.

Proposed by the Council of Forward in Faith

2011/04

This Assembly warmly welcomes the formation of The Society and instructs the Council of Forward in Faith to do what it can to support it during this formative period.

Proposed by the Council of Forward in Faith

institutions, existing organisations and to individuals who are:

- Committed to its aims
- Committed to pray for The Society and its leaders
- Committed to active participation in the overall mission of the Church of England
- Committed to a personal Rule of Life, including the active service of those in need
- Committed to urge those in authority to provide a structured provision with jurisdiction for those who remain committed to the Church of England but are unconvinced that it has the authority to admit women to the episcopate or presbyterate.

Several thousand of you have already registered your names with the Society, either on its website (www.sswsh.com) or by filling in the form which can be downloaded there and returning it to Gordon Square. But several thousand is nowhere near enough! It is time for all of us to get behind our bishops in order to support this initiative, as they prepare to attend the crucial meeting of the House of Bishops this month.

The Council of Forward in Faith has already identified various ways in which it will be assisting the Society in the weeks and months to come – of which more in due course. In the meantime, Get on and join – there's a form of page 10 of this issue of *Forward plus*, so you have no excuse!

Fr Nicholas Turner

After the passing of Resolution 2011/02, the Director presented the former Editor of **NEW DIRECTIONS** with a bottle of Malt Whisky, together with a modest cheque, to show the appreciation of all our readers for his tireless and skilled stewardship of this title over the past five years.



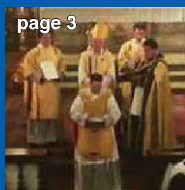
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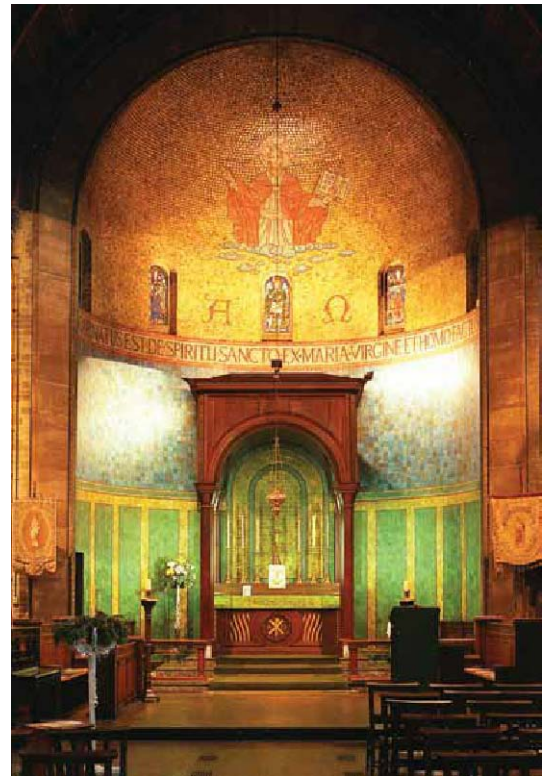
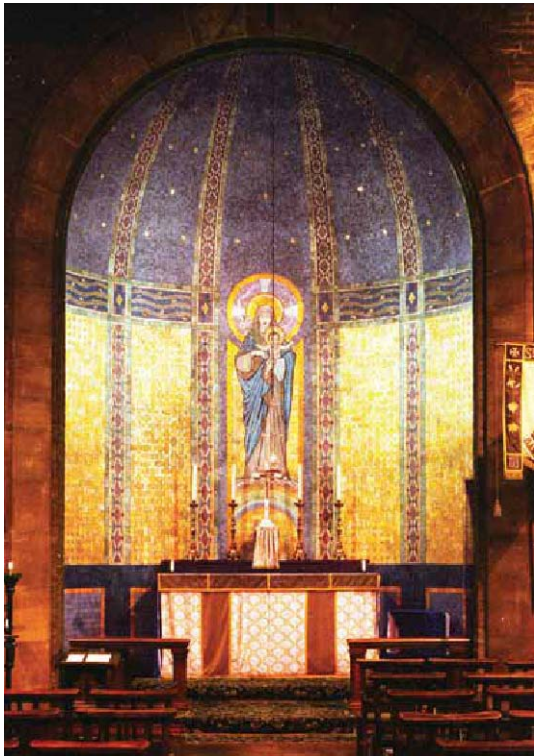
THE PARISH church of St Chad is situated one mile from Bradford's city centre and is one of only two ABC parishes in the diocese. The church, consecrated in 1913, stands in an area which is now home to many Muslims and its congregation is eclectic in character with most members driving to Mass, some of them

making the journey several times a week from outside the city.

Served faithfully by Canon Ralph Crowe for over forty years, St Chad's is now alone among the churches in the city of Bradford in having full catholic privileges with daily Mass, and Benediction on Sunday evenings. From a liturgical point of view, the church is arguably most famous for its long tradition of Solemn Vespers and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament on the Eve of Corpus Christi. However, St Chad's is also an architectural gem and one of only two churches designed by Nicol and Nicol, the other being its close twin of S. Benedict's in Smallheath, Birmingham.

St Chad's achieved Grade 2 Listed Building status during 2010 and English Heritage offered a grant of £80,000 towards the end of that year. The clerestory windows and two fine mosaic apses are under imminent threat from water penetration and stone erosion, both these problems presently compounded by the lack of designed access to the parapets and roof.

It is hoped that, if enough money can be raised, the first stage of the extensive remedial and restorative work needed may be timed to coincide with the centenary of the building in 2013. The small committee charged with securing funding is actively seeking grants and is appreciative of those promised so far.



If any reader of **Forward Plus!** would like to sponsor a mosaic tile for a pound or to make any other donation towards the restoration of St Chad's, cheques payable

to St Chad's PCC may be sent to the Treasurer:

Mrs C. Eastwood
10 Glenview Avenue
Bradford BD9 5PA

125 years celebrated in style!

ST AUGUSTINE'S Church, Tonge Moor, Bolton marked its 125th Anniversary of Consecration on 8th November with a Sung Mass celebrated by the Bishop of Beverley. Sixteen priests concelebrated with Bishop Martyn, assisted by a deacon.

Thanks were given during prayers for the church's founding benefactors, particularly Caroline and Frank Hardcastle, and Colonel Le Gendre Starkie who were prominent and respected people in the area at the time of consecration in 1886. Following the service, a buffet was held in the church crypt and an anniversary cake, cut by the bishop, was enjoyed by all.



London FiF Grand Draw

Drawn at the National Assembly, the prize winners were:

1st prize

Mr Bernard Roberts of St Peter's, Plymouth

2nd prize

Mrs D M Daubney of St Nicholas, Skirbeck

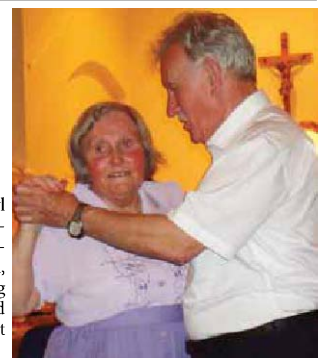
3rd prize

Mrs M Moore of St Alban's, Romford.

Congratulations! And thanks to all who bought tickets.

Golden Wedding

CONGRATULATIONS TO John and Beryl Donovan who celebrated 50 years of marriage in September with a party for their family and many friends at Holy Trinity, Hoxton, where John is part of the experienced serving team. John is the Area Councillor of the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary for North, East and West London.



Hoxton's Musical Welcome

Holy Trinity, Hoxton,, one of the East End of London's best known FiF parishes, welcomes its new priest

THE SUNDAY after the Forward in Faith National Assembly was a day of special thanksgiving at Holy Trinity, Hoxton, one of the East End of London's best known FiF parishes.

It was the Harvest Festival, but also the first Sunday in the parish of Fr Andrew Newcombe who had been instituted as the tenth Vicar of Holy Trinity on Tuesday of that week. At the end of Mass, there was a surprise for Fr Andrew when the choir came forward and sang enthusiastically to welcome him.

Afterwards the congregation, which included about twenty children, were able to spend time with Fr Andrew and his family whilst enjoying a sumptuous buffet lunch. Fr Andrew, an accom-

plished musician with degrees from Melbourne University, who is also a Licentiate of Trinity College of Music, London, trained for the priesthood at St Stephen's House, Oxford.

Made deacon in 2005, he served a curacy at St Mary's Tottenham, and was ordained Priest in 2006 before moving to St Matthew's, Ponders End. It is the first time for decades that Holy Trinity vicarage has been home to a married priest with children.

Dr Lindsay Newcombe, Fr Andrew's wife, is a member of General Synod and of the National Council of Forward in Faith.

We wish them well, happy that Holy Trinity, Hoxton, is in safe hands in these difficult times for the Church.



Retiring at 90!

Fr Trevor Thorpe, vicar of St Andrew's, North Weald Bassett, for 54 years, looks forward to a happy retirement

INCUMBENCIES OF half a century are rare. Only freehold incumbents who were in post before the pastoral measure of 1976 can now remain in post beyond the age of 70.

Fr Trevor Thorpe, who retired after his 90th birthday in October, was vicar of St Andrew's, North Weald Bassett, in the Chelmsford diocese for a remarkable 54 years.

Dehli and Simla

His early years were spent in India, in Dehli and Simla, the wonderful summer capital of the British Raj, seven thousand feet up in the hills of the western Himalayas, where his father served as a government official.

He came to England when he was 10, and served in France during the war in the 30th Armoured

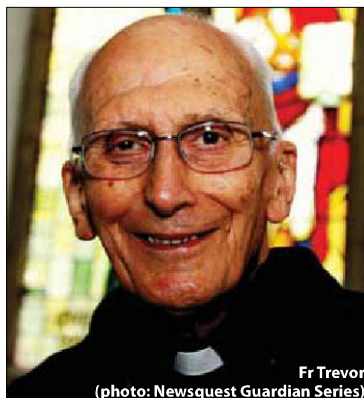
Corps. After the war, a degree in history at Emmanuel College, Cambridge was followed by theological training at Ridley Hall, and ordination to the diaconate in 1950 to serve a curacy in Farnborough, Hants.

Ordained to the priesthood in 1951, he served a second curacy in West Ham, East London, before being offered the incumbency of St Andrew's in 1957. There he and his wife Nancy brought up their two daughters Mary and Clare. Mrs Nancy Thorpe died four years ago.

The church, near Epping, has a magnificent Tudor tower and parts of the church date back to the early 14th century. Fr

Trevor was faced with the work of major restoration after a devastating fire destroyed much of the interior in 1964.

One of the joys throughout his ministry has been his



Fr Trevor (photo: Newsquest Guardian Series)



St Andrew's, North Weald Bassett



Fr Trevor at school mass (photo: St Andrew's School)

involvement with St Andrew's Primary School, which attained voluntary aided status in 1997.

St Andrew's Primary School

Fr Trevor was chairman of Governors for many years, and visited the school weekly to instruct and talk to the children, and celebrated Mass in the hall each month.

His farewell was at the Harvest Eucharist when the children gave him beautiful cards that every class had made. The Staff surprised him with a 90th birthday tea, the first birthday he had ever celebrated in his life!

Fr Trevor has now moved to the College of St Barnabas, Lingfield, where we trust that he will have a long and happy retirement.

Penwerris welcomes Plymouth

THE PARISH of St Michael and all Angels Penwerris on the outskirts of Falmouth is under the Sacramental care of the Bishop of Plymouth, the Rt Rev. John Ford. He was consecrated in 2005 as a Suffragan in the Diocese of Exeter but recently has also been given oversight of those churches in Cornwall who have signed resolution 'C'.



On Sunday 17th October, Bishop John paid a pastoral visit to Penwerris. The Priest in charge, Fr Mark Mesley, his Assistant priests, servers and the congregation warmly welcomed him. The Bishop was the preacher at the concelebrated Parish Mass. In his sermon he pointed out how easy it is to compartmentalise one's life instead of viewing all activities and intentions as part of the whole. Christians should strive to present themselves to the world consistently or at least strive towards this intention. With God's help this should be possible. Wanting to try can become trying to and result in success.

After the service, as the congregation enjoyed coffee and biscuits, Fr Mark announced to everyone's pleasure that a recent grant application had been not only successful, but also resulted in a larger sum than was expected! The sermon worked!

Primrose Peacock

Pray for all FiF members and parishes

All Saints Eastchurch Isle of Sheppey

Christmas Eve
4.30pm Crib Service
with Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10am Festival Mass.

Contact: Fr Barry Birch SSC
01795 880205

St Peter Bushey Heath - ABC

Christmas Eve
6.30pm Carols by Candlelight
11.30pm First Mass of the Nativity

Christmas Day
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Holy Communion
with Carols

Contact Fr Andrew Burton SSC
020 8950 1424
www.stpeterbusheyheath.org.uk

All Saints with St Michael Shrewsbury

Christmas Eve
4pm Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10.30am Parish Mass

*Daily Mass throughout
the Christmas Octave*

Parish Priest:
Fr Michael Fish SSC
Tel: 01743 244879

St Augustine Aldershot

Christmass Eve
5.30pm Children's Service
11.30pm Solemn Mass
with Blessing of the Crib

Christmass Day
10am Family Mass
Enquiries, Confessions etc
Fr Keith Hodges
01252 320840

St Wilfrid's, Cantley Doncaster

Christmas Eve
5.30pm Vigil Mass & Christingle
11pm Mass of Christmas Night

Christmas Day
8am Mass of the Dawn
10am Mass of the Day

Thursday 29th December
7pm Readings and Carols
for choir and congregation
Fr John Willett
01 302 535133

St Augustine's Church

Cooden Drive, Bexhill on Sea TN39 3AZ

Christmas Eve
5pm Nativity Play with Carols
11.30pm First Mass of the Nativity

Christmas Day
8am Mass
10am Parish Mass for all ages (with
traditional carols)

Further details:
Fr Robert Coates SSC 01424 210 785

ALL SAINTS CLIFTON Pembroke Road Bristol BS8 3ED

SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS 18 December
6pm Lessons and Carols for Christmas
Traditional candlelit service

CHRISTMAS EVE Saturday 24 December
5.30pm Carols and Christingles
*Family Carol Service with Blessing of Crib
and Christingle Oranges for all*
11.30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY Sunday 25 December
9am Mass (said)
10am Christmas Day Family Mass
for all ages

6pm Evensong at the Crib
Quiet reflective service

For Confession/further information:
Fr Richard Hoyal 0117 9706776

St Peter's Bath Road, Devizes

Sunday 18th December
5pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve
4.30pm Christingle and Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass with
Procession and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day
10am Low Mass with Carols
and Visit to the Crib

Fr Peter Moss 01380 724785

St Mary the Virgin Hunslet and St Hilda's, Cross Green

Christmas Eve - St Mary's
6.30pm First Mass
of Christmas

Christmas Eve - St Hilda's
7.30pm First Mass
of Christmas
11pm Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - St Mary's
9.30am Mass of the Day
Fr Alex Lane 0113 271 9661

Ss James and John Wednesbury

Advent Sundays

9am Said Mass
9.45am Sung Mass

Christmas Eve
5.30pm Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10am Said Mass

For other Services or enquiries ring
Fr Kevin Palmer on
021 505 1568

St John the Baptist Tatchbrook Street Leamington Spa

Sunday 18th December - Advent Four
8am Low Mass

9.30am Solemn High Mass
3.30pm Family Carol Service

Christmas Eve
9pm Midnight Mass & Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day
8am Low Mass
9.30am Solemn High Mass

Sunday 1st Jan - Mary, Mother of God
8am Low Mass
9.30am Solemn High Mass

Fr David Lawson SSC 01926 422208
www.fifparish.com/stjohnleamington

WINCHESTER Holy Trinity Upper Brook Street

Sunday 21st December
7pm Carols and mince pies

Christmas Eve
8pm First Mass of Christmas

Christmas Day
10.30am Mass of the Day

Monday 26th December St Stephen

12 noon Low Mass

Tuesday 27th December St John

10am Low Mass

Wednesday 28th Dec Holy Innocent

10am Low Mass

Thursday 29th Dec St Thomas Becket

12 noon Low Mass

Sunday 1st January 2012

Mary, Mother of God

10.30am Parish Mass

Contact Fr Malcom Jones SSC
01962 810223 (Parish Office)

St Chad Greengate St, Stafford

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Blessing of the Crib and Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10am Mass of the Day

Monday 26th St Stephen - 10am Mass

Tues 27th, St John the Evangelist - 10am Mass

Friday 30th, Holy Family - 12.30pm Mass

Fr Michael Fisher 01785 245069

St Salvador's Church Dundee

Christmas Eve
1.45pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
9am Low Mass

11am Sung Mass

Fr Clive Clapson SSC
01382 221785

St Mary the Virgin Littlehampton

Christmas Eve
5pm Children's Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
8am Low Mass
10am Parish Mass

Contact Fr Roger Caswell
on 01903 724410

The Ascension Lavender Hill SW11

Sunday 18th December
5pm Christingle, Readings
from the King James Bible

Christmas Eve
11pm Solemn High Mass
of Midnight

Christmas Day
10.30am Solemn High Mass
of the Day

Sunday 1st January
Mary, Mother of God
11am High Mass of the Day

Parish Priest:
Fr Ian Young
020 7228 5340

S. Paul's Hasland Chesterfield

Christmas Eve
6.30pm Carol Service
and Christmas Presentation

Christmas Day
9.45am Festival Mass

S. James Temple Normanton Chesterfield

Friday 23rd December
4pm Carols around the tree

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Fr Malcolm Ainscough SSC
Tel: 01246 232486

St Agnes and St Pancras Toxteth Park Liverpool L17 3BA

Advent Four
6.30pm Carol Service with Benediction

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10am Parish Mass

Contact Canon Christopher Cook SSC
0151 733 1742
Website: www.stagnes.org.uk

St Augustine's Tonge Moor, Bolton

Wednesday 21st December
7pm Service of Nine Lessons
and Carols (St Aidan's)

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
8am Said Mass
9.15am Sung Mass (St Aidans)
10.30am Solemn Christmas Mass

Fr Tony Davies 01204 523899

ALL WELCOME

St Peter & St Paul Osborn Road, Fareham

Christmas Eve
4pm Crib Service
11.30pm Blessing of the Crib
and Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
8am Mass of the Dawn
10am Parish Mass

*For the times of other Services and
Confessions before Christmas
please ring 01329 236003*
www.sspeterandpaulfareham.org

St Clement's Bridge Street Cambridge (A, B & C / FiF)

Christmas Day
9am Sung Mass

Sunday 1st
Christmas 1
10am Sung Mass

*Services are Traditional Rite
English Missal / BCP*

Contact: 01638 780261

Email: cat@ast.cam.ac.uk

St Agatha, Sparkbrook & St Barnabas, Balsall Heath Birmingham

Christmas Eve
6.30pm Youth Mass (St Agatha's)
11.30pm Midnight Mass (St Agatha's)

Christmas Day
9am Sung Mass (St Barnabas)
11.15am Sung Mass (St Agatha's)

Contact: Canon John Herve SSC
0121 440 4605

S Chad Toller Lane, Bradford

Christmas Eve
11.45pm
Blessing of the Crib and First Mass

Christmas Day
8.30am Mass of the Dawn
10.45am Mass of the Day

Parish Priest
Canon Ralph Crowe SSC
Tel: 01274 543957

St Peter's Crabbs Cross Redditch

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Solemn Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10am Mass of the Day

St Stephen
9am Mass

9am Mass during the Octave

Fr Mike Bartlett SSC
01527 545709

Holy Trinity Winchmore Hill, N21

Christmas Eve
4pm Crib Service and First
Mass of Christmas for Children
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
9am and 10.30am Mass

*Mass 12 noon
each day in the Octave*

1st January
12 noon Solemnity of Mary
the Mother of God

For Confessions contact
Stephen Whittam
0208 886 5217

St John & St Mary Magdalene Goldthorpe and St Wilfred's, Hickleton

Sunday 18th December
4pm Carol Service at Goldthorpe
6pm Carol Service at Hickleton

Monday 19th December
2pm Carol Service at Hickleton Hall
Christmas Eve

4pm Children's Crib Service at Goldthorpe
Midnight 1st Mass of Christmas at Goldthorpe

Christmas Day
9am Parish Mass at Hickleton
10.30am Parish Mass at Goldthorpe

Monday 26th - St Stephen
10am Mass at Goldthorpe

Tuesday 27th - St John the Evangelist
10am Mass at Goldthorpe

Wednesday 28th - The Holy Innocents
7pm Mass at Goldthorpe

Thursday 29th - S. Thomas Becket
7pm Mass at Hickleton

Friday 30th - 6th Day of the Octave
10am Mass at Goldthorpe

Sunday 1st January - Mary Mother of God
9am Parish Mass at Hickleton
10.30am Parish Mass at Goldthorpe
Fr Carl Schaefer 01709 898426

My Heroes

Fr Darren Smith goes on pilgrimage to the home of the Curé D'Ars

DON'T YOU just hate it when people constantly get out their holiday photographs and bore you telling you all about the wonderful time they had without you! Well here is one of those such photographs.

It wasn't so much a holiday but a pilgrimage and by that I don't mean a holiday by any other name, I genuinely do mean a pilgrimage and an ambition of mine to visit that small town in France the home of John Vianney, lovingly referred to as the Curé D'Ars. What struck me as being incredible was to stand next to a life size statue of him and to realise just how small in stature he genuinely was.

A man who the church wanted to reject, through persistence, perseverance and faith finally had his vocation tested and validated by the church and was without any doubt one of the best examples of priestly ministry to be found. He has always been one of my heroes, a man who I have looked up to and aspired to be like, although have failed miserably.

On a recent visit (holiday) to New York I was very struck by a poster campaign that I saw in many churches which had the very simple and yet challenging message The World Needs Heroes, and each poster although bearing the same caption had a difference picture. Not of the usual sort of

hero that you might expect to see, war veterans, military, emergency service personnel, but the pictures were of priests saying Mass, visiting the sick, conducting funerals. Yes indeed the church does need heroes and our church and

stand up for the faith, offering themselves as Catholic priests in the Church of England.

Here are some photographs of some of the recent heroes in my opinion of our church who have been attending the God Calling initiative, promoted by the Catholic Societies of the Church of England to encourage vocations to the sacred ministry. Yes they are

heroes and they need our support, they need our prayers and they need more to join them. Should your face be in one of these pictures, are you

being called to be a real hero and offer yourself for priesthood.

December 3rd at Christ the King Gordon Square, Bishop Martin Warner will be our keynote speaker for the next Vocations Day. Why not join us? We begin at 10.30am and will finish for 4pm. Lunch will be provided and the Additional Curates Society is happy to help with travel expenses if this is a problem. There is also a special session for wives and fiancées of possible ordinands giving things from their prospective. So step out in faith, take a risk and join us.

Further details can be found on our website or call me on 0121 382 5533 as it would be good for catering purposes to know who is going to attend.

We need heroes, we need you.



our branch of the church needs some incredible heroic guys who are prepared to stand out and



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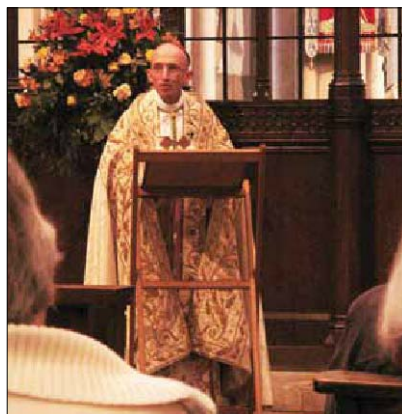
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Harrogate Honours Our Lady

THE SOCIETY of Mary's October Devotion was held at St Wilfrid's, Harrogate. Bishop Robert Ladds was principal celebrant at the Mass, which was followed by a substantial and delicious lunch prepared by Linda Harrison and her team of helpers. After lunch, Bishop Martin Warner preached a challenging sermon, beginning with an account of a naval battle between a Christian fleet and an Ottoman fleet. The Christian fleet won the day, and attributed their success to the intercession of the Virgin; so the title "Our Lady of Victories" came into use. Significantly the fleet was made up of a mixture of both Catholic and protestant sailors, working together for the common good. James VI of Scotland saw a message in this about the importance of sustaining the Gospel against all odds, and he wrote a poem to this effect. So, as James I of England, he famously authorised the publication of the Scriptures in English - and recently we have celebrated the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible.

The King James Bible (which used to be known as the "Authorised Version") influenced the Church's perception of Mary and her role in the redemption of mankind. It was a thoroughly scholarly translation, the group of translators including scholars from all shades of Christian opinion. Significantly, the verse in Isaiah (Isa 7.13) was translated "A Virgin shall be



with child" - following the Greek text rather than the Hebrew text's "A young woman ...". The Hebrew scriptures had not been stabilised in a finished form until long after the turbulent early years of the Christian church's expansion, and there was the view that these had been modified to discredit the idea of the virgin birth of Christ and so strengthen the Jewish position.

So it is that the scriptures (properly translated!) underpin the idea of the Virgin Birth, and reveal the central role of Mary in God's scheme of salvation. This is the core of the Gospel we must proclaim.

St Francis of Assisi Bournemouth

(corner of Channinster Road & East Way)

Christmas Eve

5pm Vigil Mass suitable for children and families
11.30pm Midnight Mass, preceded by Carols

Christmas Day

8am Mass
10am Procession and Solemn Mass
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Christmas Day
10am Feast of the Nativity
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St Matthew Willesden NW10

Christmas Eve

4pm Nativity Play and Carols
11.30pm Solemn Mass of Midnight with Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

11am Solemn Mass of the Day
Sunday 1 January 2012
Mary, Mother of God
11am Solemn Mass of the Day
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www.stmatthews-willesden.org.uk

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Dec 18 9.15am Sung Mass
4pm Christingle

Dec 24 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Dec 25 10am Solemn Mass

Dec 27 12 noon Said Mass

Tues 28 Dec 10am Said Mass

Dec 29 10am Said Mass

Jan 1 9.15am Solemn Mass

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Nottingham

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(1/4 mile south of railway station)

Dec 24 9am Mass
6pm Crib Service
8pm First Mass of Christmas

Dec 25 10am Solemn Mass

Dec 28 10am Said Mass

Dec 30 10am Said Mass

Dec 31 10am Said Mass

Jan 1 11am Solemn Mass

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3pm Crib Service

5pm Vigil Mass of Christmass

St Mary's PL3 6BR

7pm Vigil Mass of Christmass

St Simon's PL4 8TA

9pm First Mass of Christmass

Christmas Day

St John's PL4 0NG

10am Mass of the Day

St John's Feast of Title

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Christmas at S. Luke, Southport

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Procession, Blessing of the Crib & Solemn

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Christmas Day

10.30am Mass of the Day with Carols

(The NEW 2011 English Missal Rite)

Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th,

Thursday 29th December

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Sunday 1st January

10.30am Solemn Sung Mass

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11.30pm Midnight Mass of the Nativity

Christmas Day

10am The Parish Mass

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or by appointment

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St Magnus the Martyr London Bridge

Saturday December 24th

6pm HIGH MASS OF THE NATIVITY

Fuhrer: Messe für die Heilige Christnacht

Handel: Glory to God

Poulenc: Hodie Christus natus est

Sunday January 1st

Mary, Mother of God

11am HIGH MASS

Friday January 6th - Epiphany

11am HIGH MASS

Sunday January 8th

Baptism of the Lord

11am HIGH MASS

and Blessing of the Thames

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Christmas Day

10.30am Sung Mass

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Whitelease

Christmas Day

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10am Sung Eucharist

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Sunday 18th December

6pm Carol Service followed

by mince pies & wine

Christmas Eve

6pm Christmas Family Mass

Christmas Day

10am Parish Mass

Parish Priest:

Fr Timothy Kaye

01977 642795

St Dunstan with Holy Angels Cranford TW5 9RG

Christmas Eve

4pm Nine Lessons and Carols

(St Dunstan's)

11.30pm First Mass of

Christmass (St Dunstan's)

Christmas Day

9.30am Low Mass (Holy Angels)

11am Solemn Mass (St Dunstan's)

Friday 30th - Holy Family

7.30pm Solemn Mass

(Holy Angels)

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Christmas Eve

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11.30pm Solemn Midnight Mass

and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10am Family Mass

Daily Mass

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Smallthorne, Stoke on Trent

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Friday 23rd December

3pm Christingle

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass & Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

11am Family Mass

The Parish Church of

St Anne

Brown Edge

Sunday 20th December

3pm Christingle and Carols

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass & Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10am Family Mass

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CHRISTMAS DAY

10am Parish Mass and Carols

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each Sunday at 10am

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Christmas Eve

9.30am Mass

5pm Carol Service and Nativity

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am Sung Mass

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S. Stephen on the Cliffs Blackpool

Sunday 18th December

18.00 Candlelit Carol Service

24th December

16.30 Candlelit Crib Service

Christmas Day

23.45 Solemn Midnight Mass,

with procession of the Bambino

and Blessing of the Crib

09.00 Said Mass of Dawn

10.30 Solemn Mass

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Patron Saint of the parish

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Blessing of the Crib (both Churches)

Christmass Day

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11am Parish Mass (Holy Trinity)

January 1st

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10am Sung Mass of Christmas Day

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Christmas Day

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10am Family Mass

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Blessing of the Crib at Midnight

Christmas Day

The Nativity of the Lord

11am Parish Mass

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Christmas Eve

7.30pm Mass of the Night, Procession,

int

In his own write...



From the Editor's desk

was the first and hardest experience of death.

11th November 1992

The nearest I have come to that feeling of utter devastation, apart from other deaths, was on the 11th November 1992. Many of you will have felt the same on that dreadful evening. We had sat and watched the General Synod debating the legislation to permit the ordination of women. We felt confident that the speeches against the motion would sway the vote with their appeals to Scripture and tradition, and their insistence that Holy Order was not within our power to alter or amend without the consent of the Universal Church, East and West.

Shaken to the core

Then came the result that shook us to the core. That night in Liverpool we celebrated the annual Solemn Requiem for the GSS. It felt like a requiem for the Church of England that we had known and served. That night many a pillow was wet with tears.

Guiding principles

I did not, of course, share all that with the young man asking the questions. As is often the case, like people emerging from interviews, the thoughts come thick and fast when it is too late. But I did offer him a few words of advice in response to the other questions. I commended the virtue of thinking a bit before you speak, particularly in controversy.

Resisting temptation

We all know the regret we feel when some hasty reaction has hurt or wounded others, especially when it has affected someone's relationship with the Church. And I emphasised the importance of following one's own conscience, resisting the temptation to be unduly influenced or bullied into actions that one would come to regret.

Crucial to that principle is the necessity of an informed conscience, which for the Christian means seeking the will of God through the study of the Scriptures and, above all, sustained and earnest prayer.

To see ourselves as others see us

Finally, he asked, how would I like to be remembered? My hope was that my attempts to love and serve God and my neighbour might leave some affectionate memories with others. But to see ourselves as others see us, as the Scots poet Burns reminds us, a gift that God does not readily bestow.

Some lives are so full of grace that epitaphs are easy. Father Stanton's life was wonderfully and simply summed up: "He preached Jesus."

He didn't pay...

If the diocese of Liverpool had to devise mine it would probably be "He didn't pay the Quota."

THE REQUEST, "Can I speak to you for a moment?", from a complete stranger on the pavement outside Charing Cross Station would, I thought, inevitably be followed by some tale of woe and great distress ending in a request for financial assistance. Happily, on this occasion, I was wrong.

National Assembly

I had not intended to be there at all; but on leaving the National Assembly (in much better heart than last year, when all had been doom and gloom about what we had done wrong over the years, and how the Ordinatee was the only option) I caught the 88 bus meaning to transfer to the 91 for Euston, forgetting that it turns left at the top of Whitehall.

It was, however, a beautiful sunny afternoon, so the walk to the Strand, though slow, was not unpleasant. I was just thinking that I should have changed on to a number 11 for a smooth link when the young man spoke.

Ordinary people

He was, he explained, engaged in a photography project in which he was to compile a collection of pictures of ordinary people, together with their answers to a series of simple questions. As I was in no hurry, I agreed to be interviewed. The questions sounded simple. What was the happiest moment of my life? The proudest? What was the saddest?

To be remembered as...

Looking back over my life what lessons had I learned from mistakes? From my experience, could I put into a couple of sentences a guiding principle for a young person beginning adult life? How would I like to be remembered? Yes, simple enough questions, but difficult to answer.

How can we choose just one happy moment from among all the joys of life, or one supremely sad occasion from the many sorrows that we have endured? How can we distinguish between happiness and pride?

Distant happiness

I suppose for most of us the happy moments are about ourselves: the distant happiness of childhood – the first memories of Christmas, birthdays, holidays; confirmation and first Communion, passing the 11+, perhaps? Or the later school years – for me: singing at a service attended by the Queen, becoming head chorister, school captain, being accepted for Cambridge?

Or the following decades – ordination, first Mass, wedding day, our son's birth, the birth of a

members of General Synod who want to see the back of faithful Anglicans whose only 'sin' appears to be that they believe 'what has been believed everywhere, always, and by all'? Well, yes, it seems that there are bishops and synod members who really can't see that we have so much to offer to the Church – or, rather, to *our* Church.

So, this Advent, why not make the focus of your prayers the House of Bishops and the General Synod? And why not pray especially for the Catholic Bishops and for the Catholic Group in General Synod? Because, if you don't, the consequences might just be too dreadful to contemplate...

director's diary

FOR MOST of the readers of

Forward plus, I guess that the National Assembly is just something they read about each year. For others, it's something they listen to each year, courtesy of the FiF website. But for a hard core 500 or so of you, it's something that you live, in real time, over two days. But, for one person, it's a labour, not always of love, that dominates his life for the best part of four months. It starts sometime in June, when he bullies me into fixing a draft programme so that he can send out the initial letter to every FiF Parish and all the Diocesan Branches. I never want to fix the programme when he tells me I should, because there's always something more interesting to do but I know what's good for me and submit to his strictures. Then, he sends something like 350 letters out, most of which drop onto doormats which are just SO surprised that Colin might have written to them. (It's the only explanation as to why responses are so slow in coming – doormats can't read.) Meanwhile, he's arranging the catering, booking accommodation for overseas visitors, ordering name badges – I could go on. You get the picture! The two days in each October that is our oh-so-well-organised National Assembly simply doesn't happen by accident – it happens the way it does because Colin lives and breathes it from June to October.

But it could be so much easier for him. He ought to be able to send out those letters in June and get replies by return. He shouldn't have to hear the day before from Fr Thingy (always the last to register). Fr Thingy has been to every National Assembly since 1994. Despite having trained six curates since then, he hasn't once let any of them be the Parish Delegate from S. Aloysius-by-the-Gasworks – it has always been him. So how come he can't say he's coming in June, when he's asked? How come he has to leave it until the day before? No, I don't know either. Still, perhaps next year it will be different. After all, we've all got eleven months to decide who will represent us. Why not decide now? Or in January? That way, when the letter drops onto

the doormat, it could be opened (and roll of drums) answered by return. If nothing else, it would mean Colin would, just for once, be lost for words!

Anyway, having got that off my chest, I suppose I'd better confess that this year I was more worried about the Assembly than I have been for a good while! After all, a lot had changed. We had a new Secretary to give the opening address, a new Chaplain to organise the Assembly Mass, a new Chairman to deliver the keynote address and, of course, take the chair for much of the time! We would be missing familiar faces not just on the platform, but also in the hall. What would it be like without this bishop, or that priest, or those laity? In the event, of course, I needn't have worried. Everyone performed superbly, new faces stepped up to the plate, and the atmosphere – the mood – was simply great. When it was all over, the first pint I sank was a real joy! (And so was the last!)

The other dominant feature of the last few weeks was the death of a much-loved friend. Well, a computer. It's only when your computer dies that you realise how important is the back-up. We've always known that backing up the data is important; that's why we have two separate back-ups organised. One copies everything we do as we do it and saves it to a separate disc in the office. And another, which runs in the depth of the night, copies everything again and sends it to a server in the Highlands of Scotland. The theory of course is that, when something goes drastically wrong, all you have to do is copy all your files from one back-up or the other onto your new computer and everything is then hunky dory. If only. Yes, I had copies of every Director's Diary I've ever written. Yes, I had every letter I've ever saved for posterity. Yes, I had every photograph I've ever salted away for a future caption competition. And, no, I didn't have the last six months of the FiF Cash Book. Don't ask me why, 'cos I haven't got time to answer. I've got another three months' worth of cheque book stubs to decipher so, if you'll excuse me...

boy to the spirit of the oak tree. These people were probably trying to ensure that though the oak tree had shed all its leaves, they would grow back the following year.

This was a common belief in many parts of the world and human sacrifice was practiced in many lands and if not human then animals were killed as an offering to their gods. Christians know that Jesus was the supreme sacrifice and was the message that Boniface was preaching as he travelled around.



exposed a little fir tree which had been growing in the roots of the mighty oak. "This tree is your new symbol" he said. "It represents peace as your houses are built from its wood, it is evergreen like the love of God and its shape points to heaven"

From this story came the German tradition of bringing a fir tree into their homes at Christmas and decorating it. Prince Albert, the husband of Queen Victoria introduced

the Christmas tree into Britain.

Little Donkey

This is one of the favourite carols in our primary schools and features in most Nativity plays. It was written by a young school teacher from Sunderland called Eric Boswell in 1959. He sent it to a publisher and it was an instant success.

There is no mention of the donkey in the Christmas story but it is possible that Joseph, being a carpenter may have had a donkey for carrying the heavy articles he made in his workshop.

We like to think that Mary would have ridden

Little Donkey, Little Donkey
On the dusty road.
Got to keep on, plodding onward
With your precious load.
Been a long time, little donkey
Through the winter's night.
Don't give up now, little donkey
Bethlehem's in sight.

Ring out those bells tonight,
Bethlehem! Bethlehem!
Follow that star tonight,
Bethlehem! Bethlehem!
Little Donkey, Little Donkey,
had a heavy day.
Little donkey, carry Mary,
safely on her way.

Winter Wordsearch

SNOW STARS JACKFROST TWINKLING
TREE SKATING TOBOGGAN FAIRYLIGHTS
GLISTENING SPARKLING SHINING ROBIN
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TURKEY CRACKERS STOCKING ICICLE

Wordsearch Solution on page 10 ... but don't cheat!



Pusey House – unique and indispensable

SEEKING TO answer a German visitor's question about the function of Pusey House, Canon Frederic (Freddy) Hood stumbled on, "Ein centrum von Catholic life." It is a question that the present Principal and Chapter (known as Priest Librarians) continue to be asked but perhaps now they can give a more detailed answer.

Oxford Movement

Pusey House is an unofficial chaplaincy in Oxford and provides pastoral care to those who seek it out. It is also a research institute that contains a significant library and an unrivalled archive of, mainly but not exclusively, Oxford Movement and Catholic Revival material. It is a centre for scholarship and learning for undergraduates, graduate students and academics both at home and abroad. It is a centre of liturgical excellence and is often a benchmark for good practice and it sends out each year young men and women versed in the transforming power of worship.

It is a centre for teaching and living the Catholic Faith as the Church of England once received it. Its original mandate was to summon the young, but not only the young, to holiness of life. Its daily life is one of worship, hospitality, pastoral encounter, scholarship, theological and political engagement. Its mission is to the University of Oxford and to the wider church. Members of the Chapter make a contribution beyond the walls of the House by preaching, lecturing, writing, reviewing, on the councils of Catholic societies, in the political councils of the Anglo-Catholic Movement. Its links are national and international.

Learning, prayer, laughter

It is a place of piety and learning, prayer and laughter. As one recent member of the House put it: "solid (and sound) Christian faith comes with a generous and jovial spirit as well as a healthy understanding that one ought not to take the things of this life too seriously."

It is not a theological college but fosters many vocations. It is not a College or Private Hall of the University but through St Cross College, which has shared the site for thirty years, it makes a contribution to the life of the University. It is not subsidized or paid for by the University nor by the Church of England but relies on its endowment, the Friends of Pusey House and donations to its work from individuals and Catholic societies. It is a Chapter of priests with different interests but joined in a corporate life of prayer, support, conversation and conviviality. Its façade is forbidding but it welcomes groups, parish, societies and individual visitors to its beautiful chapel (Temple Moore and Ninian Comper) and its library.

The germ of the idea for the House can be traced to the afternoon of Dr Pusey's funeral in 1882. His friends gathered and resolved that there should be a permanent memorial to Dr Pusey, Regius Professor of Hebrew, Canon of Christ Church and for forty years the de facto leader of the Oxford Movement. It was to perpetuate his memory, to continue and facilitate scholarship and to be a place of pastoral activity. It was loosely based on the Ambrosian Library in Milan. The House motto is *Deus Scientiarum Deus* (Our God is a God of Knowledge) which sees faith, academic theology, and life as an organic unity.

Worship and study

During term-time the Mass is celebrated daily in the Chapel. Morning Prayer is said

and Evening Prayer is sung. The High Mass on Sunday morning and on the great festivals sees the Church's contemporary liturgy offered to God with a combination of grandeur and restraint. In the Sunday sermon the academic, teaching and spiritual work of the House come together. There are often distinguished visiting preachers as well as regular sermons by members of the Chapter.

Preparation for the Sacraments of the Church is offered and there are regular opportunities for confession, spiritual direction, counsel and advice. Members of the Chapter are usually accessible and available in term. Courses of instruction are another regular feature and are often tailored to the needs and requests of each generation of worshippers.

There is a Supper Club which meets every Wednesday followed by Compline, silence before the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

Library and Archive

The Library and Archive are open in term (and at other times by appointment) and are used by a variety of people from around the world. The Library seeks to keep abreast in the areas of patristics, church history (with an emphasis on the Catholic Revival), liturgy and canon law. The Archive contains an unrivalled collection of theological and ecclesiastical controversial pamphlets from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries in addition to thousands of letters and documents relating to the Catholic Revival.

There is a massive correspondence of Dr Pusey himself and a significant holding of letters from Blessed John Henry Newman as well as many other heroes of the Oxford Movement and Catholic societies: the Society of Mary, the Society of the Holy Cross, the Society for the Maintenance of the Faith, the Ecclesiastical Committee of the Church Union and Church Union papers post 1945, the Confraternity of Unity.

The House offers facilities for conferences, committee meetings, teaching, parish visits. Two significant conferences were held following the promulgation of the Apostolic Constitution *Anglicanorum Coetibus* which helped many formulate their response to the Papal initiative. In 2003 a conference was held to discuss the need for a Third/Free Province in the event of the consecration of women bishops. It informed the political debate for the next several years as the process worked itself out. Quiet Days, Study Days are also available.

125th Anniversary

In 2009 the 125th Anniversary of the House was celebrated and was an opportunity to look back but also to resolve a vigorous future for the House. Looking back it was possible to say that Pusey House remained true to what it set out to be, a "house of sacred learning and piety." It has given opportunities to countless scholars and worshippers. They have all been given not only time but also an atmosphere of quiet and sustained prayer within which Christian theology and scholarship ought to be pursued. Just as important has been its contribution to the spiritual and intellectual life of the University and the Church.



It would be impossible to estimate those who have discovered the riches of the Christian life within its walls. For some it has been the discovery of the Sunday liturgy, with its opportunity to hear some of the great preachers of the day. For others it has been the place where first confessions have been made, or where a talk with one of the Priest Librarians has elucidated some obstacle to faith or other apparently intractable problem.

Pusey House has become part of the men and women who have followed diverse paths and the Friends of Pusey House include as many bankers, stockbrokers, diplomats, lawyers or teachers as parish priests: people who knelt together as undergraduates.

Mission and pastoral care

The House also looks forward. Like many such institutions it needs support and funding to sustain and extend its work and reach. Prayer and donations are both valuable to its mission. Those who visit the House recognize its worth and find it an inspiration. Some are seduced to think that it is a rich foundation.

A programme of much-needed refurbishment, repair, rewiring has restored the fabric, much of the work funded by the Ameri-

can Friends of Pusey House. But it must be remembered that all the work is carried out by the Chapter and the undergraduate and graduate residents who number no more than six, as well as devoted help from senior members who have found a spiritual home in the House.

There is no support team or personnel infrastructure beyond them. It is a miracle that so much is achieved and it is a source of regret that time and resources somewhat limit what could be done.

It is an institution which proclaims the Catholic Faith without apology at a time when many seem hesitant about what they believe or what they should preach. Above all, it is the combination of daily Christian worship and prayer with scholarship and unremitting pastoral work which makes Pusey House unique and indispensable.

The Friends

The Friends of Pusey House exists to support and further the work of the House. Details can be obtained from Dr Ann Chipindale, Secretary of the Friends. The present Chapter comprises Bishop Jonathan Baker, Father Barry Orford and Father Philip Corbett. There is a website at pusey-house.org.uk where further details may be found.



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CARBONARA:

TAGLIATELLE OR FETTUCINE

4 Bacon Rashers, (cut into strips)
1 small Onion, (finely chopped)

1 oz. Butter
½ pint Single Cream
Garlic Granules, (to taste)
Pepper
Grated Parmesan Cheese

Place butter, onion and bacon in a pan and gently cook on a low heat. [Meanwhile boil the salted water, add the pasta and continue to boil. Drain when ready.] Then add the cream to the cooked bacon. Heat and season to taste. Toss the pasta into the sauce. A little milk may need to be added to the sauce if it is too thick. Just heat gently. Serve with Parmesan.

MATRICIANA:

SPIRALI OR PENNE

6 Bacon Rashers, (cut into strips)
1 Onion, (finely chopped)
2 Cans Chopped Tomatoes

1 Red Chilli, (seeded and chopped)
1 ½ Tblsps. Olive Oil
Grated Pecorino or Parmesan Cheese

[Start cooking your pasta as described above.] Heat the oil in a pan, add the onion and bacon and stir until the onion is transparent. Drain off the oil.

Add the tomato and chilli, mixing well. Simmer for 5 mins. stirring occasionally. It is now ready to serve with your choice of grated cheese.

NAPOLETANA:

SPAGHETTI OR MACARONI

1 oz. Butter
1 Tblsp. Olive Oil
1 Packet Passata (or 2 Cans Chopped Tomatoes)
½ Teasp. Dried Basil
Salt and Pepper
2 Tblsps. Fresh Chopped Parsley

With a wooden spoon push the chopped tomatoes through a sieve if you want to make your own passata. Heat the butter, oil and passata in a pan. Add the basil, salt and pepper to taste and bring to the boil. [Start cooking your pasta.]

Reduce the heat and simmer uncovered until the sauce is reduced to a coating consistency. Stir in the parsley before tossing the pasta in the sauce. Serve.

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A series of portraits of great Anglo-Catholics

IN HIS Final Charge to the National Assembly, Fr Sam Philpott spoke movingly about the faithful priestly service and sacrifice of one of his predecessors at St Peter's Plymouth. We repeat here the article by Fr Sam first published in 2001 which recounts the life and work of Fr Prynne.

Early ministry

George Rundle Prynne was born in 1818 at West Looe in Cornwall of parents of devout Cornish Evangelical stock. His early education was at Looe and Devonport, and he subsequently graduated at St Catherine's College, Cambridge in 1840. From an early age there was never any doubt that he would become a priest. In 1841 he was made deacon to serve a curacy at Tywardreath in the diocese of Exeter, and ordained to the priesthood in September 1842. For two years he laboured in an atmosphere of Wesleyanism and witchcraft.

The Catholic Revival had not yet penetrated to this remote part of England, but Prynne was very soon known for the definite beliefs he held and for his fearlessness in promulgating them. Particularly he was observed for his Eucharistic doctrine; and he was considerably in demand as a preacher. His vicar was Prebendary Lyne, a High Churchman of the pre-Tractarian period, and he observed that the teaching "savoured of Transubstantiation." In 1843 Prynne went to St Andrew's, Clifton, where he remained for three years, and where his work lay largely in the poor mission district of Marsdyke. Already he was a link between the old Evangelical traditions and the revived Catholic teaching. And whilst he was at Clifton this link was strengthened by his introduction to Pusey, who remained for many years his close friend, adviser and confidant.

In 1846 Prynne accepted the charge of the new parish of Par, but he remained there for only a short time. In 1847 his father died (a very great grief to him, his mother had died when he was fifteen), and feeling the need for a time of quietness he transferred to the parish of St Levan and Sennen near Land's End. But this remote countryside was quite unsuited

to his character and talents. In 1848 he was offered, by Bishop Philpotts of Exeter, the new district of St Peter's Plymouth. The population of the great naval port of Plymouth had hopelessly outgrown all existing provision for religious teaching and worship, and the Bishop asked for at least four new churches. St Peter's was to be one, in the most poverty stricken and degraded part of the town.

It was a task after Prynne's own heart, and gave full scope for just those gifts which he possessed. He arrived in July 1848, and began the great work of his life. All that had gone before was preparatory. Never surely, was preparation for any work more effective, never was early promise more completely fulfilled.

The new parish

The first vicar of St Peter's was the Rev. Edward Godfrey. He opened negotiations for the purchase of a disused proprietary chapel (known as Eldad Chapel) in Wyndham Square. This chapel had been the scene of the ministry of an eccentric freelance cleric named Hawker. But the purchase of the building was still incomplete when in May 1848 Godfrey resigned after a six months incumbency, and so Prynne came to take over.

Prynne, just thirty years old, entered on his work with vigour and hope, but he had before him a long and bitter struggle. But through all its worst years he was not only to be spared the pain and difficulty of episcopal opposition, so often the lot of the Catholic pioneers, but was to have, on the contrary, the sympathy and understanding, the wisdom and unfailing counsel of his Bishop. Bishop Philpotts stood out from the majority of his episcopal brethren; he was one of the few who stood by the Revivalists and supported their work both in public and in private with great wisdom and unflinching bravery. Prynne was instituted to the new district on 16th August 1848, and

George Rundle Prynne SSC 1818 – 1903



at once began services in the old chapel. Various alterations were made to the building; an organ was presented by Miss Emily Fellowes, daughter of a distinguished naval officer. In the following year Prynne married her, and for more than 50 years she was his devoted wife and helper.

The opening of the church of St Peter in November 1848, marked the beginning of a struggle which, in the circumstances was inevitable. Prynne was already definitely 'labelled' by his teaching, and by his known friendship with Pusey. The opposition to the Revival was particularly virulent in Evangelical Plymouth, and from the start Prynne was subjected to an organised campaign fanned by a particularly hostile press. The things of which he was accused (e.g. the use of the surplice in the pulpit) seem to us supremely trivial, but such were the inflammatory articles, that his Bishop and many friends advised him to sue a local journalist, one Latimer, for libel. But despite a summing-up by the judge wholly favourable to Prynne, the jury of local Dissenters found for his opponent. The costs of the action left Prynne and his wife almost penniless, but the happier outcome was a rallying round of all his old friends and many new ones. Prynne never reproached Latimer; indeed many years later he met him in the street, and consoled with him on the death of his son.

Cholera epidemic

But controversy was set aside in 1849, when a terrible outbreak of cholera devastated Plymouth. The selfless devotion of Prynne and his helpers in the fight against the epidemic was recognised by many as an inseparable part of the religion for which Prynne and St Peter's stood. To their help came Miss Sellon and her Sisters of the Society of the Holy Trinity, a newly-established Community, then at work in Devonport and one of the first with an active religious life since the Reformation. They offered their services to Prynne, and they played a noble part in caring for the victims and their families, ignoring infection and personal danger. T

he Sisters asked to be allowed to receive the Holy Communion daily to strengthen them for their daily work. And so was established the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice at St Peter's, which has continued ever since. When the cholera had died out, the Community established themselves in Wyndham Square, where they continued their work of mercy. Later they purchased some land at Five Fields, where a temporary wooden hospital had been erected during the cholera. Here, on 5th October 1850, the foundation stone of a permanent building was laid by the Bishop, and on the same day as the consecration of St Peter's; where all the necessary alterations had been completed. That date is still observed as the dedication festival of the church.

Renewed opposition

But it was not long before opposition broke out anew. Several of the local Protestant clergy, headed by the Rev. John Hatchard, Vicar of St Andrew's complained to the Bishop about Prynne and his manner of hearing confessions. In a long and reasoned reply, Prynne justified Penance in the English Church, and denied and discounted the specific charges against himself. He exposed the "rancorous and unscrupulous opposition" he had encountered from the local clergy in everything he had tried to do in Plymouth. The complaints could not be substantiated as became clear when the Bishop held a public inquiry. He concluded "With my hand upon my heart, I exonerate Mr Prynne from any blame in this matter, and I acquit him even of indiscretion, and I pray God that every clergyman in my diocese may do his duty as well as Mr Prynne has done his." It was a great triumph for Prynne, but moreover it was the first great popular victory for the teaching and practice of Penance in the English Church.

The local clergy also strongly objected to the Bishop's intention to hold a Confirmation at St Peter's, which, they said would occasion widespread anger and dismay. Nevertheless the confirmation went ahead, but was marred by a disgraceful riot outside the church when the vicarage windows were smashed and stones flung at the Bishop as he crossed Wyndham Square.

A ministry of Teaching

But it was Prynne's teaching about the Blessed Sacrament which was central to his ministry. A friend said: "From the first time that I knew him to the very end of

his life, Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament was the one centre of his love and source of his influence, and all who heard him celebrate, all who came in contact with him, felt it to be so. Thousands who never saw him or St Peter's received his teaching in his Eucharistic Manual published in 1865, and in his other publications.

The persecutions died down and Prynne settled to the task of developing the parish. By 1862 the population of the parish had doubled; the Chapel of the Good Shepherd was built in 1862, and the new parish of All Saints was formed in 1875. St Peter's schools were created in 1871, and were among the first and best in Plymouth. He instituted the practice of parochial missions, and several famous Anglo-catholics, including Fr Lowder and Fr Mackonochie, came to conduct them. His spiritual influence attracted many able assistant priests. A young deacon briefly associated with St Peter's was the Rev. J. Leycester Lyne, who became widely known as "Father Ignatius of Llanthony."

The new church

Funded by the generosity of the Middleton family the old chapel was replaced by a new and more beautiful building, though lacking its tower at that time. It was designed by the Vicar's second son, Mr George Fellowes Prynne, FRICA, and consecrated on February 1882. Sadly the church was reduced to a shell in the 1941 air raids, and the rebuilding has not restored its former beauty.

The consecration of the church was the crowning-point of Prynne's life; but over twenty years remained to him, and they were filled with the steady and quiet activities of a diligent priest and teacher, by act, by word, and by pen. Of all his writings, that which is most well known is his hymn "Jesu, meek and gentle", every verse of which breathes the gentleness which was so characteristic of its writer. Plymouth did all in its power to make up for the opposition of the early years. It was elected Proctor in Convocation by his brother clergy in 1885. He was an early member of the Society of the Holy Cross, and of the Church Union.

His final years were attended by increasing ill health. He died on 25 March 1903, the feast of the Annunciation and the anniversary of his baptism. His body was carried between dense masses of his sorrowing people into the church he had raised and where he had so long and faithfully ministered. Many regretted that he had never received any preferment or ecclesiastical honour from the Church, but in the words of a close friend, "his work was that of a mission priest, a guide of souls, and it was his most fitting honour and reward that he led so many to the feet of the Saviour and trained so many for the inheritance of the Saints."

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- 2 St Bartholomew, Derby (Derby)
- 3 Church's work with children and young people
- 4 Traditionalist Biblical scholars and theologians (Bible Sunday)
- 5 St Crispin, Manchester, Fr Patrick Davies (Manchester)
- 6 The Ascension, Lower Broughton, Canon David Wyatt (Manchester)
- 7 The Most Holy Trinity, Blackley, Fr Philip Stamp (Manchester)
- 8 St Luke, Dukinfield, Fr David Schofield (Chester)
- 9 St Michael and All Angels, Penwerris, Fr Mark Mesley (Truro)
- 10 Lay Ministers and Pastoral Assistants of the traditional integrity
- 11 Guidance of Holy Spirit in discernment of vocations to the priesthood
- 12 St John the Evangelist, Chopwell, Fr Paul Murray (Durham)
- 13 St James the Apostle, Owton Manor, Hartlepool, Fr Stephen Locke (Durham)
- 14 St Oswald, Hartlepool, Fr Graeme Buttery (Durham)
- 15 St Ignatius the Martyr, Hendon, Fr Andrew Jones (Durham)
- 16 St Mary, Horden, Fr Kevin Smith, Fr David Carr (Durham)
- 17 A spirit of penitence as we approach the feast of our Saviour's birth
- 18 Greater devotion to Jesus in the Scriptures, the Sacraments and the coming feast of the Incarnation
- 19 St Helen, Auckland, Fr Robert McTeer, Fr Grant Naylor (Durham)
- 20 St Mary Magdalene, Millfield, Sunderland, Fr Beresford Skelton, Fr David Raine (Durham)
- 21 St James the Great, Darlington, Fr Ian Grieves (Durham)
- 22 St Columba, Middlesbrough, Fr Stephen Cooper (York)
- 23 St John the Evangelist, Middlesbrough, Fr Stephen Cooper (York)
- 24 Due spiritual preparation for the feast of our Lord's birth
- 25 All traditionalist Christians as they rejoice in the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ
- 26 St Michael and All Angels, Walthamstow (Chelmsford)
- 27 St Barnabas, Old Heath, Colchester, Fr Richard Tillbrook (Chelmsford)
- 28 St Luke, Prittlewell, Fr James McCluskey (Chelmsford)
- 29 St Andrew, Deal (Canterbury)
- 30 St Saviour, Raynes Park, Fr Michael Blackman (Southwark)
- 31 Christian Family Life and our own families

January 2012

- 1 World Peace
- 2 All Saints, Sydenham, Fr Philip Smith (Southwark)
- 3 St Andrew, Croydon, Fr Keith Sylvia (Southwark)
- 4 St Silas, with All Saints and St James, Pentonville, Fr Rayner Wakeling (London)
- 5 St Anselm, Hatch End, Prebendary Clive Pearce (London)
- 6 St Giles, Willenhall, Fr Andrew Welsby (Lichfield)
- 7 The Society under the patronage of St Wilfrid and St Hilda
- 8 Missionary work
- 9 St Andrew, Worthing, Fr Colin Kassell (Chichester)
- 10 St Patrick, Hove, Fr Steven Underdown (Chichester)
- 11 St Michael and All Angels, Cookley, Fr Tony Norton (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich)
- 12 St Simon, Mount Gold, Plymouth, Fr Keith Haydon (Exeter)
- 13 SS Peter and Paul, Fareham, Fr Christopher Woodman (Portsmouth)
- 14 International Anglican-Roman Catholic Commission for Unity and Mission (IARCCUM)
- 15 International Commission for Anglican-Orthodox Theological Dialogue (CAOTD)
- 16 St Leonard, Loftus in Cleveland, with St Helen, Carlinhow, Fr Andrew Gaunt (York)
- 17 St Hilda of Whitby, Grangetown (Middlesbrough), Fr Ian Graham (York)
- 18 St Mary the Virgin, South Benfleet (Chelmsford)
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- 20 St Michael, Thorpe-le-Soken, Fr Jeremy Dowding (Chelmsford)
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- 22 The unity of all Christian people in the Truth Which is Christ
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- 29 Fr Ian Brooks and Editorial Team of Forward Plus
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- 31 St Mary the Virgin, Littlehampton, Fr Roger Caswell (Chichester)

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- 2 St John the Evangelist, Crowborough, Fr Robert Norbury (Chichester)
- 3 St Salvador, Church Street, Dundee, Fr Clive Clapson (Scotland)
- 4 Editorial Board of Forward Teaching, FiF Sunday School Course
- 5 Church Schools, their teachers and children (Education Sunday)
- 6 St Michael and All Angels, Cross Heath, Fr Derek Lloyd (Lichfield)
- 7 St Gabriel, Fullbrook, Fr Mark McIntyre (Lichfield)
- 8 SS Mary and Chad, Longton, Prebendary Paul Lockett (Lichfield)
- 9 St Andrew, Kingsbury, Fr John Smith (London)
- 10 St Matthew, Willesden, Fr Daniel Humphreys (London)
- 11 The sick and dying (World Day of Prayer for the Sick)
- 12 Fr Philip Corbett and Editorial Board of New Directions
- 13 All Saints with St Michael, Shrewsbury, Fr Michael Fish (Lichfield)

- 14 St Saviour, Smallthorne, Prebendary Richard Grigson (Lichfield)
- 15 St Michael the Archangel, Tividale, Fr Martin Ennis (Lichfield)
- 16 St James, Wednesbury, Fr Kevin Palmer (Lichfield)
- 17 St Francis of Assisi, Friar Park, West Bromwich, Fr Ron Farrell (Lichfield)
- 18 Renewal of the Church in spirit of penitence
- 19 Worthy preparation for Lent
- 20 Holy Trinity, Ettingshall Park Wolverhampton, Fr Alan Jones (Lichfield)
- 21 St Martin, Wolverhampton, Fr Stuart Powell (Lichfield)
- 22 St Stephen, Hilton Street, Wolverhampton, Fr Stuart Powell (Lichfield)
- 23 Christ Church, Tunstall, Fr John Stather (Lichfield)
- 24 St Michael, Bussage w. St Augustine, Eastcombe, Fr John van der Linde (Gloucester)
- 25 Greater eagerness for sacred study
- 26 The hungry of the world (Family Fast Day on Friday)
- 27 All Saints, South Kirkby, Fr Timothy Kaye (Wakefield)
- 28 All Saints, South Shields, Fr Mervyn Thompson (Durham)
- 29 St John the Baptist, Cudworth, Fr David Nicholson (Wakefield)

March 2012

- 1 St George the Martyr, Preston, Fr Timothy Lipscomb (Blackburn)
- 2 St Stephen, Gloucester Road, Fr Reginald Bushau (London)
- 3 Credo Cymru, Forward in Faith in Wales (St David's Day last Thursday)
- 4 Fr Hadyn England-Simon, Regional Dean of South Wales and FiF in Landaff and Monmouth
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- 6 All Saints, East Finchley, Fr Christopher Hardy (London)
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- 14 SS Michael and Augustine, Beckenham (Rochester)
- 15 St Luke, Gillingham, Fr Paul Matthias (Rochester)
- 16 St James, Elmers End, Beckenham, Fr Leon Carberry (Rochester)
- 17 Traditionalist Christians in Ireland (St Patrick's Day)
- 18 Renewal of Christian Family Life (Mothering Sunday and tomorrow St Joseph's Day)
- 19 St Saviour with All Saints, Scarborough, Fr David Dixon (York)
- 20 SS Martin and Wilfrid, Brighton, (Chichester)
- 21 SS Barnabas and Agnes, Hove, Fr Keith Richards (Chichester)
- 22 Christ Church with St Mary Magdalen, St Leonards-on-Sea, Rt Rev'd Roger Jupp, Fr Richard Ralph, (Chichester)
- 23 St Bride's Greyfriars Church, Dumfries, Fr Andrew Crosbie (Scotland)
- 24 A new obedience to the Father's will (Annunciation celebrated on Monday)
- 25 Wonder in the incarnation of the Son of God (Annunciation celebrated tomorrow)
- 26 St Aidan, Carlisle, (Carlisle)
- 27 St John the Evangelist, Workington, Fr John Cook (Carlisle)
- 28 St Nicolas, Guildford, Canon Andrew Norman (Guildford)
- 29 St Augustine, Aldershot, Fr Keith Hodges (Guildford)
- 30 Holy Trinity, Hawley, Fr Martyn Neale (Guildford)
- 31 Penitents



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1 Thesalonians 5:16-18

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(PP: Fr Martin Ennis - 01384 257888)

Parish Church of
St Michael's, Tividale Road
and Holy Cross Mission Church
Ashleigh Road

Christmas Season

SM - Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass

SM - Christmas Day

10am Mass of the Day

HC - Christmas Eve

6pm Crib Mass

SS Stephen and Mark Lewisham

(opposite Lewisham Station and DLR
12 mins from Charing Cross)

Christmas Eve

5pm Carols for parents and children
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am Parish Mass

St Stephen

11am Parish Mass

Parish Priest:

Fr Geoffrey Kirk 020 8318 1295

All Saints

Small Heath, Birmingham B10

Sunday 18th December

6pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve

3pm Christingle

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10.30am Family Mass

Fr Oliver Coss 0121 772 0621

www.allsaintsonline.co.uk

St George's Church Bickley Park Road, Bromley

Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Sung Mass

Confessions by appointment

Enquiries to

Fr Owen Higgs 020 8467 3809
www.stgeorgebickley.co.uk

Holy Trinity, Hoxton Shepherdess Walk, N1

Christmas Eve

11pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am Mass of the Day

Contact Fr Andrew Newcombe

020 7253 4796

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A double first at All Saints

THE PARISH of All Saints, Small Heath, celebrated their Festival in great style this year. It was a first for Fr Oliver Coss, who came to the parish in January from St Mary's, Cottingham, in the Diocese of York where he served as Curate from 2007, after training at Mirfield.

It was also a first for Bishop Jonathan Baker who was appointed as Bishop of Ebbsfleet this summer.

The congregation warmly welcomed their new Bishop who took his place among his concelebrating priests to sing the Mass and to confirm a large group of candidates, male and female, young and not quite so young.

A very fine buffet supper nicely rounded off a happy first class day.



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St Andrew's Kingsbury NW9

(Nearest tube - Wembley Park)

Mass every Sunday at 10am

Christmas Eve

Midnight Mass at 11pm

Christmas Day

Sung Mass at 10am

January 1st 2012

Sung Mass at 10am

Fr John T Smith

020 8205 7447

The Parish of St Peter and the Holy Apostles Plymouth

Christmas Eve

7pm Blessing of the Crib
and First Mass of Christmas
at St Thomas, Keyham
and St James, Ham

11.30pm Blessing of the Crib and
Midnight Mass of Christmas
at St Peter's, Wyndham Square

Christmas Day

10am Sung Mass and Carols
at St Peter's

OCTAVE (including Feasts)

10am Sung Mass DAILY in St Peters

Fr Sam Philpott

01752 298502

LONDON SW20

St Saviour

Grand Drive, Raynes Park

Christmas Eve

5pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

9.30am Sung Eucharist,
4pm Evening Prayer

Contact: Fr Michael Blackman 020 8542 2787

St Mary the Virgin St Marychurch, Torquay

Christmas Eve

3.30pm Family Carol Service
7pm A Service of Nine Lessons
and Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am A Family Christmas Mass

All are welcome

For information contact:
Curate on 01803 326203 or
Churchwarden on 01803 690950

All Saints with St Saviour

All Saints Road

Weston-super-Mare

An ABC Parish, everyone welcome

Christmas Services

December 24th - Christmas Eve

5pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass and
Blessing of the Crib

December 25th - Christmas Day

8am Mass 10am Solemn Mass

December 26th

10am St Stephen - Mass

December 27th

10am St John - Mass

December 28th

10am Holy Innocents - Mass

December 28th

10am St Thomas à Becket - Mass

January 1st 2012

8am Mary Mother of God - Mass

10am Mary Mother of God - Solemn Mass

Contact: Fr Andrew Hughes

Tel: 01934 204217

email: allsaintsoffice@tiscali.co.uk

Visit our website www.allsaintswsm.org.uk

St Michael and All Angels Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

Christmas Eve

5.30pm Children's Nativity with Donkey
11.30pm Midnight Mass & Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10.30am Solemn Mass with Sermon

Confessions by appointment

Fr Gibbons SSC 01622 752710

St Saviour & St Peter Eastbourne

Christmas Eve

4.30pm Service of
Lessons and Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8am Mass of the Dawn

10.30am Solemn Mass
of the Day

Fr Jeffery Gunn

01323 722317

St John the Baptist Parish Church Church Street, Staveley

Sunday 18th December

5.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve

4pm Carol Service for Young People

7pm Confessions (or by appointment)

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am Sung Mass

Fr William Butt 01246 472270

All Saints South Wimbledon

Christmas Eve

3pm Crib Service

11.45 Midnight Solemn Mass

Christmas Day

11am Solemn Mass

Contact: Fr Michael Blackman

020 8542 2787

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST PETER'S, FOLKESTONE

CHRISTMAS EVE - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24th

11.30pm Christmas Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25th

8am Low Mass

10.30am SOLEMN MASS

St Barnabas Parish Church Morecambe

24th December

4pm Crib Service

11.30pm Solemn Midnight Mass
and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

8.30am Mass

10am Solemn Mass

4pm Mass at the Crib

Monday to Friday - 10.00am Mass

Mary, Mother of God

8.30am Mass

10am Solemn Mass

4pm Compline

Father Tom Davis SSC - Parish Priest

01524 415216

The Parish of Swinton & Pendlebury

Christmas Eve

4pm Christingle Vigil Mass
at Saint Peter's (M27 0WA)

7.30pm Sung Mass of the Vigil and Blessing
of the Crib at Saint Augustine's (M27 8UX)

11.30pm Midnight Mass and Blessing of the
Crib at All Saints' (M27 9UG) and at Saint Peter's

Christmas Day

8am Mass of the Dawn at Saint Peter's

Sung Mass of Christmas Day with Carols

at All Saints' at 9.30am

at Saint Augustine's at 10am

and Saint Peter's at 5.30pm

December 26th

11am Solemn Mass for Saint Stephen's Day

at Saint Peter's, followed by refreshments

For details of carol services, other services, etc.

Fr Jeremy Sheehy 0161 794 1578 or

paroffsandp@btconnect.com

St Mary, Horden Co. Durham

Christmas Eve

4pm Christingle Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8.30am Mass of the Dawn

10am Mass of the Day

Wednesday 28th December

6pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Fr Kevin Smith 0191 586 7110

The Good Shepherd Furnham Chard

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

9.45am Sung Mass

Contact

Heather McCann

on 01460 64531

The Parish of Hawley www.hawleygreen.org Surrey/Hants Border

Christmas Eve

6pm Children's Service

at Holy Trinity

11.30pm Midnight Mass

at Holy Trinity, Hawley Green

Christmas Day

9.15am Sung Mass

at All Saints, Chapel Lane

11am Sung Mass

at Holy Trinity, Hawley Green

Fr Martyn Neale

01276 35287

All Saints Benilton, Sutton

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of the Bishop of Fulham

Christmas Eve:

5pm Christingle and Crib Service

11pm Carols by candlelight

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10am Sung Mass

27th December

4pm Carol Service

Mass will be celebrated daily during

the Christmas Octave

- for further details, please contact:

Fr Peter Harnden SSC 020 8644 9070

or Mrs Carolyn Melius 020 8642 4276

St James the Great Barry Street, Oldham

Christmas Eve

12 midnight Mass of Midnight
and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10.15am

Solemn Mass of the Day

Fr Paul Plumpton

0161 633 4441

Parish Church of St Cuthbert w St Matthias Philbeach Gardens Earls Court SW5

Wednesday 14th December

7.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass
and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10.30am Sung Mass

Sunday 8th January, Epiphany

11am Sung Mass

All enquiries to the

Administrator 020 7603 6483

The Church of St Paul the Apostle Middle Way, Croxteth, Liverpool

A Forward in Faith parish under the pastoral care

of the Bishop of Beverley

Principal Advent and Christmas-tide Services

SUNDAYS

11am Sung Mass with Sunday School

CHRISTMAS EVE

12 midnight Sung Mass of the Nativity

with Blessing of the Crib

CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am Mass (BCP) 10am Sung Mass

In the Octave: Mass every weekday at 12 noon

Carols by candlelight

3.30pm Sunday 1st January

(refreshments afterwards)

PATRONAL FESTIVAL 2012

WEDNESDAY 25th JANUARY

THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

7.30pm Solemn Concelebrated Mass

Preacher: Fr Ralph Powell SSC

(Parish Party afterwards - all welcome)

For details of other services,

times of confession etc, contact:

Fr Ian Brooks SSC (Vicar)

Telephone/facsimile: 0151 548 9009

e-mail: FrIGB@blueyonder.co.uk

St Ambrose Westbourne, Bournemouth

Advent Sunday

8am Low Mass said BCP

10am Sung Eucharist CW

6pm O Come Emmanuel - a Devotion

for Advent

Christmas Eve

1.30pm High Mass with Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

8am Low Mass said BCP

10am Sung Eucharist CW

January 1st

8am Low Mass said BCP

10am Sung Eucharist CW

January 8th

8am Low Mass said BCP

10am Sung Eucharist CW

6pm Nine Lessons & Carols

Parish Office 01 202 766772

Holy Trinity Ilkeston, Derbyshire

Monday 19th December

Carol Service

Christmas Eve

11.30 Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

11am Sung Mass

Tuesday 27th December

St John the Evangelist

9.30am Said Mass

Parish Office 0115 932 0833

Holy Spirit Fawcett Road, Southsea

Wednesday 21st December

7pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve

6pm Crib Service and Christingle



Fr Crotchet's Corner

nonetheless, these are classic performances at a bargain price and you not only get 51 *Mazurkas* this time, but most of the rest of Chopin as well.

If too much Chopin is likely to give you indigestion, then allow me to recommend my favourite single CD of the piano music: Arturo Benedetti Michelangeli's Chopin recital on DG 'Originals' 4777563. My enthusiasm for this recital is unbounded. You are offered ten *Mazurkas*, including some of the posthumous ones, the *Prelude in C# minor, Op. 45*, the *Ballade in G minor, Op. 23* and the *Scherzo in B minor Op. 31*. This, in my judgement, is quite miraculous playing. True, if you are looking for rustic mazurkas, then you won't find them here. What you will find is playing of extraordinary refinement and intensity – the pianissimi are breathtaking and achingly beautiful. As you will have gathered, I recommend this disc without reservation. It costs under ten pounds and you will need it on your desert island.

Well, now it's time to go back to a parish divided between the Society of St Wiltud and St Hydebounde on one side and the Ordinate on the other. A desert island is starting to look quite attractive to me right now, I must say.

Toodleoo

Fr Amictus Crotchet

Parish Priest
St Bibulus of Saragossa
East Finchley
amictus@aol.com

The story so far:
<http://bibulus.site.voila.fr>

Dear Melomaniacs

I am relieved to tell you that things are a little better in the parish. As you will remember, our setup has some unusual features. For those of you who have not been keeping up, here is a resumé:

I am the incumbent of the living of St Bibulus of Saragossa, East Finchley, and now share the Vicarage with a French ex-monk in priest's orders called Père Pierre, his farmer brother, Jean-Louis, and the latter's wife, Eulalie. Jean-Louis has used the freehold of the church to bluff a French bank into letting him borrow the money for a large farm in the Pas-de-Calais, although he has also moved much livestock into the church building, making worship difficult, except by special arrangement.

The congregation has now been split by the setting up of the Ordinate, and the Roman Catholic half now worships in a large hut in the garden donated by former churchwarden Ursula Organpipe, who has the assistance of Paddy and Cronan, two down-and-outs who have been appointed sacristans of the said conventicle. Paddy and Cronan live in a smaller hut, donated by the Homeless Urban Trust (the HUT hut) next door to the Ordinate chapel. Cedric, an out-of-work actor who was, in fact,

the first resident of the HUT hut has now been adopted by the other churchwarden, 'Jammy' Ffoulkes-Travers (son of the patron), and is set up as Verger of the Anglican church and has been installed in the Vestry.

Now, as I reported last time, Ursula Organpipe has played a fast one in calling a meeting of the CBS (Cantores Beatorum Sanctuariorum) Trustees (a Trust set up to sustain the music at St Bibulus) and snaffled the Trust's assets. This left 'Jammy' F-T pretty livid and disinclined to pursue ecumenical endeavours for a good while. While all this was going on, Jean-Louis, the French farmer who uses the church to house livestock in bad weather, and who also uses the Lady Chapel as an abattoir when necessary, has been getting more and angry at the gradual diminution of the acreage of the Vicarage garden (over which he has assumed grazing rights) in favour of emergency housing for homeless travellers and Ordinate worshippers. Well, Jammy F-T spotted the glowering discontent of Jean-Louis, and, having noted the latter's tendency to brandish a shotgun whenever Ordinate worshippers show up in the garden, took a shine to him. To cut a long story short, he invited him to a weekend's shooting on his father's estate in Nottinghamshire and subsequently became very chummy. Jean-Louis, as we know, is a canny businessman, and now

seems to have parties of Nottinghamshire squires going over to the Pas-de-Calais for shooting and fishing weekends, which assures him of a new income stream and takes the pressure off the Vicarage garden. It also means that the burly, armed farmer wandering around the large Vicarage garden on a Sunday morning has converted to Anglicanism – at least, while in England. He has also been appointed People's Warden to replace 'Ord' Organpipe, or so I was informed by a phone call from Jammy's pater, Augustine Ffoulkes-Travers, patron of the living.

As always, while parish politics simmer away, I have turned to music to console myself. While away in France assisting with the beet harvest, I popped into the nearest supermarket selling CDs and found a set of Chopin *Mazurkas* recorded by Jean-Marc Luisada (2 CDs RCA Red Seal 88697686922). Upon these I feasted for some days (the alternative was beet, remember). I must say that they are interesting and stimulating performances. Clearly, Luisada has studied the Polish dances that informed the creation of these works, and, furthermore, he has become such a mazurkard that he has gone round the world performing them as a cycle.



There is such a variety of touch and tempo on display here that the performances can seem a little disconcerting – but in the best possible way. The disadvantages of this set are the following: a slightly clangorous sound (a Yamaha, recorded in Japan), and the decision to keep to the 41 *Mazurkas* published in the composer's lifetime. The advantages are the very creative and interesting performances which reflect the pianist's frequent presentation of the works as a cycle. This makes for very good gramophone listening. You should also find this

set of two CDs going for the price of one. Recommended for refreshing your Chopin sensibilities.

I have done a good deal of listening to other pianists in these works recently, and I have come to a deeper appreciation of Artur Schnabel, whose Brahms set was not entirely to my taste, if you remember. In Chopin, however, he is an inescapable reference and his complete set is still available on Sony Classical Masters 88697687122 (currently available from www.europadisc.co.uk at £16.95 for 10 CDs – a real bargain). The sound is elderly and very much of its time – one listens, it seems, from a position just inside the piano lid, which is not quite how we do it these days –

St Gabriel's

Fullbrook, Walstead Road, Walsall WS5 4LZ

Sunday 18th December

4.30pm Parish Carol Service

Christmas Eve

4.30pm Christingle 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8am Mass 10am Parish Mass

Fr Mark McIntyre 01922 622583

St Barnabas

West Street, Crewe A,B&C

For Confessions and Daily Mass times:

01270 212418

Christmas Eve

5pm Christingle Service

11pm Midnight Mass & Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

10am Solemn Mass

and Procession to the Crib

5.30pm Low Mass

6pm Evensong

Thursday 29th December

7pm Carol Service and Benediction followed by Punch and a Mince Pie

Vicar: Fr Ralph Powell SSC

St Andrew

High Street

Fort William

PA38 4BS

Christmas Eve

11.45pm Midnight Mass and Blessing the Crib

Christmas Day

10.45am Solemn Eucharist

For further details please contact:

Fr Alexander Guinness SSC 01397 702979

St Anselm's Parish

Church, Hatch End

Sunday 18th December

4pm Carol Service

Christmas Eve

5pm Children's Christmas Service

12 midnight Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8am Mass of the Dawn

10am Parish Mass of the Day

Monday 26th December St Stephen

8am and 10am Mass

Sunday 1st January

Mary Mother of God

10am Parish Mass

Fr Clive Pearce:

020 8428 4111 - 07710 900545

St John the Evangelist

Queen's Road, Clevedon, BS21 7TH

Sunday 18th December

5.00pm Service of Lessons & Carols

Christmas Eve

5.30pm Christingle Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass of the Holy Nativity and Blessing of Crib

Christmas Day

8am Said Mass

10.30am Family Mass

Sunday 1st January, Mary, Mother of God

8am Said Mass

10.30am Parish Mass

For full details of all services please see

www.achurchnearyou.com/clevedon-st-john

or contact the Parish Priest

Parish Priest: Fr Roger Jackson SSC

01275 341830

Saint Catherine's

Todmorden Road

Burnley, Lancashire

CHRISTMAS EVE

6pm Children's Mass & Nativity Play

11.30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

8.15am Mass

10.30am Sung Mass

Epiphany Community

Carol Service

Sunday 8th January 2012 - 6.30pm

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and throughout the year

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Father Roger Parker 07977 291166

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Heavitree Parish

Exeter

St Michael's (Church Lane)

Christmas Eve

6pm Crib Service

Christmas Day

11.30pm Midnight Mass

8am Said Mass

10.30am Morning Mass with

prayers round the crib

St Lawrence's

(Lower Hill Barton Road)

Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service

Christmas Day

11.30pm Midnight Mass

10.30am Morning Mass

fuller details:

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St Andrew

Willesden Green NW10 2QS

Christmas Eve

11.30pm Midnight Mass

and Blessing of the Crib

Christmas Day

9.30am Mass

10am Parish Mass

Parish Priest

Fr Colin Patterson SSC

020 8459 2670

S Chad

Toller Lane, Bradford

Christmas Eve

11.45pm

Blessing of the Crib and First Mass

Christmas Day

8.30am Mass of the Dawn

10.45am Mass of the Day

Parish Priest

Canon Ralph Crowe SSC

Tel: 01274 543957