

ST ALBAN'S CHURCH CHADDESSEN DERBY AND THE CHURCH ON OAKWOOD

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NOVEMBER 1ST 2009 ~ FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Saturday	6.30pm	For all Parishioners
Sunday	10.00am 1.00pm 5.30pm	Deceased Carr & Beech families Baptism of Lewis Chand At the Church on Oakwood Hilary Lodge RIP
Monday	<u>9.30am</u> <u>7.30pm</u>	FEAST OF ALL SOULS For all deceased Parishioners Bridie Doran RIP
Tuesday	8.30am 9am - 5pm 7.30pm	Pauline Treanor RIP (Doyle) Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament Funeral Reception for Joan Stack
Wednesday	10.00am 7.00pm	Requiem Mass for Joan Stack Service of the Word and Holy Communion at The Church on Oakwood
Thursday	<u>7.30pm</u>	Willie Deegan RIP
Friday	9.15am	John Forde RIP (Leach)
Saturday	6.30pm	Walentyina Sliwinski RIP
Sunday	10.00am 5.30pm	John Kissane RIP ann. For all Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: On Request.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: ~ Joan Stack whose funeral takes place here this week. Norah Adams, Jean Hester and Betty Mazurkiewicz are ill. Pray for Canon Brendon O'Sullivan, recently retired and living in Boston, Lincs, whose funeral took place last week.

JOINT STATEMENT BY ARCHBISHOPS NICHOLS AND WILLIAMS

The recent announcement of the Apostolic Constitution is a response by Pope Benedict XVI to a number of requests over the past few years to the Holy See from groups of Anglicans who wish to enter into full visible communion with the Roman Catholic Church, and are willing to declare that they share a common Catholic faith and accept the Petrine ministry as willed by Christ for his Church.

Pope Benedict XVI has approved, within the Apostolic Constitution, a canonical structure that provides for Personal Ordinariates, which will allow former Anglicans to enter full communion with the Catholic Church while preserving elements of distinctive Anglican spiritual patrimony.

The announcement of this Apostolic Constitution brings to an end a period of uncertainty for such groups who have nurtured hopes of new ways of embracing unity with the Catholic Church. It will now be up to those who have made requests to the Holy See to respond to the Apostolic Constitution.

With God's grace and prayer we are determined that our on-going mutual commitment and consultation on these and other matters should continue to be strengthened. Locally, in the spirit of our recent agreements, we look forward to building on the pattern of shared meetings between the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales and the Church of England's House of Bishops with a focus on our common mission. Joint days of reflection and prayer were begun in Leeds in 2006 and continued in Lambeth in 2008, and further meetings are in preparation. This close cooperation will continue as we grow together in unity and mission, in witness to the Gospel in our country, and in the Church at large.

+ Vincent + Rowan

DEAR PRIME MINISTER

Today there is a Cafod Campaigning Card inside each newsletter. It petitions the prime minister about CLIMATE CHANGE and the Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark at the beginning of the December. Please complete it and send it direct to Cafod ~ Freepost ~ or return it to church next weekend and I will send whatever I receive. Time is short so please act this week.

CAFOD GROUP MEETING

Thanks to those who came to the evening with Marie Molloy on October 22nd. We agreed to meet again and plan the Parish Christmas Card and the Cafod Advent Service on December 11th at 7.30pm, which we have been asked to host. Our meeting will be on Wednesday November 18th at 7.30pm. Come and join us!

HELEN BOOTON

Recently retired as Head teacher of St. Bede's and St. Phillip's Primary School in Mansfield due to ill health; I went to a very touching Mass of Thanksgiving for her, 10 days ago. I would like to thank HELEN on behalf of St. Alban's for the work she has done over many years with our music group and CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP. She is just beginning her treatment, so please remember her in your prayers.

FAITH IN FAMILIES (formerly the Catholic Children's Society)

This is the last weekend for handing in boxes, will anyone who still has a box they require emptying please hand it in, at one the masses tomorrow.

Many thanks Steve & Sandra Endsor

PARISH FINANCES

Thanks to everyone who has recently taken this new set of boxed envelopes; they are still available today. Thanks to all who have recently signed Gift Aid Forms.

EXPLORING THE FAITHS: BUDDISM, HINDUISM & SIKHISM

A six week course, starting Thursday 5th November, exploring the similarities and differences between the three faiths.

Each week will have a separate theme, to explore what each faith believes about different issues and topics. Come and share your thoughts and ideas with people from different faith communities and with two "experts" from each of the three faiths.

Thurs. 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, November and 3rd, & 10th December. 7 - 8.30pm at the Forum of Faiths, St James centre Malcolm Street, Derby. The course is free and open to all. Call 01332 604067 or admin@ffderby.org.uk to register.

ST ALBAN'S SCHOOL P.T.A.

The P.T.A, are holding a Christmas Craft Fayre on Friday November 27th from 3pm. Anyone who would like to have a stall or contribute to the event is invited to contact school, or P.T.A, direct. We also hope the people of the parish will come along and enjoy this event with us.

Contact jane.bradley727@ntlworld.com or ☎07901814906

ALISON ADAM

Is a member of the Iona Community we have invited to the Church on Oakwood on Saturday, December 5th; 1.30pm – 4.30pm. Alison has recently co-authored, with John Bell, a book for children on World Songs. She will be speaking about Jesus' Family Tree (from Mathew1) and teaching some Advent and Christmas Songs.

Adults £5, but costs are negotiable! Put the date in your diary.

200 CLUB

We will hold the draw next Sunday, 8th November, after 10am mass.

Please pay all monies beforehand ~ thanks.

COLLECTIONS:

Last week £912.55, plus £150 standing orders.

Thank you all.

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK ~ Maria Rafferlati and Doreen Blackwood

WELCOMERS NEXT WEEK: 6.30pm Dawn & Ryan Kiddie
10.00am Win & Walter Stone

First Reading: Apocalypse 7:2-4.9-14.

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, "Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, "Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words. "Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen." One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, "Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?" I answered him, "You can tell me, my lord." Then he said, "These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb."

This is the word of the Lord.

Response to Psalm: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

"How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.