

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

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FEBRUARY 21st 2010 ~ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday	6.30pm	For all Parishioners
Sunday	10.00am 5.30pm	Bill Stone RIP (Booton) At the Church on Oakwood Frank & Peggy Campbell RIP (Gardner)
Monday	7.00pm	Bill Stone RIP (Buckett)
Tuesday	8.30am 9am ~ 5pm	Pat Murphy RIP (Gallagher) Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	9.15am 12.30pm	Mary Eaton RIP(Hicks) Funeral Service for Leonard Southall RIP
Thursday	7.00pm 7.30pm	Bridie Doran RIP (C. Doran sen) Spirituality Group ~ Meditation
Friday	9.15am	Min Lebeters' Intentions (Baldi)
Saturday	6.30pm	Jean Hester RIP (Doyle)
Sunday	10.00am 5.30pm	Les Brown RIP ann. For all Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: On Request.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Leonard Southall, from Cardigan Street, whose funeral takes place here next Wednesday. Remember too Dick Ennis and Anne Donovan who are in hospital and Tommy Byrne who is very frail. This weekend 150 adults from all around the Diocese will be gathering at St. Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham for the Rite of Election. They will be baptised or received into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. Please pray for them too!

A SPECIAL LENTEN FAST

Give up harsh words:
use generous ones.

Give up unhappiness:
take up gratitude.

Give up anger:
take up gentleness and patience.

Give up pessimism:
take up hope and optimism.

Give up worrying:
take up trust in God.

Give up complaining:
value what you have.

Give up stress:
take up prayer.

Give up judging others:
discover Jesus within them.

Give up sorrow and bitterness:
fill your heart with joy.

Give up selfishness:
take up compassion for others.

Give up being unforgiving:
learn reconciliation.

Give up words:
*fill yourself with silence,
and listen to others.*

“GIVE IT UP FOR LENT”

This is the name of Cafods' Fast Day Campaign this Lent. This year is the 50th anniversary of launching the Fast Day Ritual. You'll receive a handout about it along with a FAST DAY ENVELOPE about how we can change wine into drinking water by whatever we give up this week. Someone will speak about it after communion at each mass. We won't collect the envelopes next weekend but rather on Psalm Sunday March 27 & 28th. There will be different envelopes available for the first four Sundays of Lent and hopefully they will each encourage us to "give something up this Lent". If you prefer to put your money each week in a small box please collect one today. We also say the Prayer from the envelope at the Bidding Prayers each weekend.

BISHOP MALCOLM WRITES

Later this year the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI will be visiting our country. I know that he will find many signs of living faith and devotion amongst us. Wouldn't it also be wonderful if he found that we were a people of joy? In many respects that is the best answer that we can give to those secularists in our society who seek to undermine our Christian values. The Pope told the bishops of England and Wales during their recent visit to Rome that 'it is the truth revealed to us through Scripture and the Church's Tradition and articulated by the Church's Magisterium that sets us free.' It is also true to say that living in the truth makes us happy. During his visit the Pope will beatify Cardinal John Henry Newman. Following his example of being led by that 'kindly light', we should allow ourselves to be led by the Lord through Lent to Easter, to that place beyond the hill of Calvary which is a place of light and truth and joy. May this Lent be a truly joyful season for you all.

ECUMENICAL LENT GROUP

Will take place each Wednesday beginning February 24th at the Church on Oakwood 7pm ~ 9pm. The title this year is "When I survey....Christ's cross and ours." It has taped contributions by Bishop David Hope, General Dannatt, John Bell, Christina Baxton and Colin Morris. All are welcome to attend ~ come and try next Wednesday ~ our local ministers will be leading it.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

Is taking place at the moment. It is focusing this year on tea. 165 million cups of tea are drunk in the UK every day. Tetley, PG Tips, Typhoo, Twinings and Yorkshire Tea account for 72% of the UK tea market. All of them have taken steps to improve practice in the tea sector but so far none of them have become Fairtrade. If just one of these brands went Fairtrade it could make a real difference to the lives of thousands of small-scale farmers and workers. Fairtrade is the only scheme which guarantees tea producers a minimum price for their tea and gives an extra premium payment to invest in their community. You can send an email to the companies here:
www.makeitfair.org.uk/take-action/

SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Is meeting next Thursday, February 25th in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm for a session on Meditation. All are welcome

FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Enrollment Mass last Sunday. The next children's session will be next Sunday, February 28th at 10am Mass. The next parents' session when we shall look at First Reconciliation is Tuesday, March 2nd at 7.30pm.

CONFIRMATION GROUP

Will be joining us for mass this Sunday evening at the Church on Oakwood at 5.30pm.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Renewal Day Saturday 6 March at St Mary's Parish Centre 10am-3.30pm with Fr Ken O'Riordan, invitation forms from the Diocesan website or e-mail annazimandi@talktalk.net (payment £3 on the day).

200 CLUB WINNERS FOR FEBRUARY

£250 No. 33 Mrs Measures

£30 No 110 Mrs Congiu

£20 No.107 Mr Reid. Thank you all

Our thanks to Julie Softley who is retiring from being administrator for the 200 Club. Would anyone be willing to take her place? The system is already set up on computer so just needs 30 minutes work each month. See Fr. Gerry, Clare Beech or Walter Stone if you're tempted!

COLLECTIONS: Last week £971.73; plus ~ £168 standing orders.

Thank you all.

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK ~ Frank Holmes & Mike Allsopp

READERS NEXT WEEK OAKWOOD ~ Fran & Sandra

WELCOMERS NEXT WEEK 6pm Ellen Taylor & Alice White
10am Avril Mather & Sheila Caruth

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us; they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me. You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God. **This is the word of the Lord.**

RESPONSE TO PSALM: **Be with me, O Lord, in my distress**

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. **This is the word of the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'it has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time. **This is the Gospel of the Lord.**