

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

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## JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup> 2010 ~ SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Saturday	6.30pm	Johnny Kelly RIP ann. (Susan)
Sunday	10.00am 5.30pm	Mary & Harry Little's Intentions At the Church on Oakwood For all Parishioners
Monday	7.00pm	Deceased Seeler family (Murphy)
Tuesday	8.30am 9am ~ 5pm	Sheila O'Regan RIP Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	9.15am 7.00pm	Mary Eaton's Intentions (Turner) Christian Unity Service At the Church on Oakwood All welcome
Thursday	7.00pm	Bridie Doran RIP ann
Friday	9.15am	Ron Calf RIP
Saturday	6.30pm	For all Parishioners
Sunday	10.00am 5.30pm	Bill Stone RIP (Orrell) Rosaleen McManns RIP ann.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** On request.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR;** Brian Pleace, Maria Neade's father, who died suddenly this week; for Glynn Whittle, Peter Batley's brother in law, who died 10days ago; for James Rath, John's brother, who died on Christmas Day and William Hogan, Brian's brother, who died last week. Remember too, John Doe, Bridie Gallaher, Anne Donovan who are in hospital and Jean Brown who had an operation a month ago.

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2010**

The resurrection stories in the Gospel have immense power that touch upon so many different aspects of human experience - dashed hopes, disappointments, grief and loss. But they also speak of a difficulty to accept change and recognise new realities.

This year, the host nation for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is my own, Scotland, and they have chosen the vivid account of Jesus' Resurrection as the focus for our thought and prayers about Christian unity. The unity in Christ that we seek and pray for implies that we are called to embrace something new, something that will change us and the church - from something disunited to a Church that is one in Christ. At the present time, some commentators have observed that the ecumenical movement is 'becalmed'. Recently, CTBI has been pondering that metaphor and have related it to another - the desert. In Christian spirituality the desert is not only a lonely, sometimes hostile place, but also a place of spiritual renewal and growth, a place where faith is strengthened and deepened. So if there is a sense that we are 'becalmed' in our ecumenical journey we might see this not as a cause for mourning but an opportunity for renewal and rekindled hope.

During this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity I hope you will join with us to pray for that renewed passion for Christian Unity and see in particular the risen Christ in our midst.

Revd Bob Fyffe General Secretary Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

## **CAFOD FREE WILL WRITING OFFER**

What did you make of Marie Molloy's talk last weekend? Did it ring any bells for you or touch on anything which attracted you? It had my name written all over it!

For 10 years now I have been putting off making a will! All clergy get Bishop's reminders of it every year and I have still managed to ignore it, I have kept putting it off because I was a bit afraid, a bit unprepared to face up to my own mortality. My father's death a year ago freed me a bit more to take more responsibility and a friend's recent sudden death has pushed me on again. So, I have sent off the "Next Step" return reply from the Cafod Information Sheet. So long as you do so by Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> the will is free! See [www.cafod.org.uk/legacy](http://www.cafod.org.uk/legacy)

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2010**

I have written this week to all Catholic Parents with children in Year 3 at St. Alban's School, inviting them to come to an Introductory Parent's Evening on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. If you have any children of year 3 or above, at any other schools and would like to join the programme, you would be very welcome ~ please contact Anne Kearney ☎ [671629](tel:671629) or myself.

## **CONFIRMATION JUNE 2010**

We are hoping to begin the preparations on Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Parish Hall. We already have 16 young people in year 9 or above interested. Are there any more? Please contact Sally & Jim Parlato ☎ [609207](tel:609207) or myself.

## **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE**

Anne Kearney writes ~ CHRISTMAS CARD CAMPAIGN: On your behalf 45 cards have been sent to Prisoners of Conscience. £57.18 was donated towards postage. Many thanks for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

## **OAKWOOD CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

We have received a cheque for £145.18p which has been forwarded to Faith in Families. This is 50% of the money collected at the carol singing at the Oak and Acorn pub, and in the shopping centre plus the collection taken at the carol service. The other 50% has been sent, by our fellow Christians, to Action for Children. Thankyou to all

who took part in these events - perhaps next year we can support them even more strongly.

### **JANUARY 200 CLUB DRAW WINNERS**

£250 no.20 Margaret Nix

£30 no.46 Sandra Endsor

£20 no.18 Dianna Thorman

Thanks for your continuing support!

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Congratulations to our 6 Altar Servers who we enrolled into the Guild of St. Stephen on Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Samju Sabn, Lucy & William Baldwin, Jacob Shanks, Jack Kissane and William Sutton all now proudly wear their medals! Our thanks to Simon Baldwin and Cheryl Shanks who prepared them and all their parents for their continuing support.

### **PREPARING FOR A NEW MISSEL**

There will be a New Translation of the Mass by Advent 2010 or Easter 2011. Come and find out more about it ~ what is changing and why. At the Diocesan Centre, Mackworth on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>; 10am ~ 3.30pm, led by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission. To book, contact Janet Hornsby 293833 ext 820. See poster.

### **AN ENCOURAGING LETTER!**

Dear Father Gerry, I am an old lady who comes to Mass on Saturday evening, but owing to bad weather, I came on Sunday morning 10<sup>th</sup> January and was pleasantly surprised.

Two gentlemen read the psalms beautifully. Clear words and good punctuation. Everyone could hear it. I just wanted you to know.

### **ENQUIRY GROUP**

Is restarting this Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

### **FIRST COMMUNION LEADERS**

Are meeting this Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

**COLLECTIONS:** January 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ £602.95 plus £172 standing orders.

January 10<sup>th</sup> ~ £662.38 plus £172 standing orders.

Thank you all.

**COUNTERS NEXT WEEK** ~ Carl Mendonca & Dawn Kiddie

**READERS NEXT WEEK OAKWOOD** ~ Sandra & Fran

**WELCOMERS NEXT WEEK** 6pm Dawn & Ryan Kiddie

10am Walter & Win Stone

**SHOULD WE HAVE A SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE RELIEF OF THE PEOPLE OF HAITI?**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 62:1-5

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.

You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named Forsaken, nor your land Abandoned, but you shall be called My Delight and your land The Wedded; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding.

Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

**This is the word of the Lord.**

**Response to Psalm: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.**

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

**This is the word of the**

**Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

**Gospel Reading:** John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants. 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now. 'This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.**