

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

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MARCH 14th 2010 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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| Saturday | 6.30pm | For all Parishioners |
| Sunday | 10.00am 5.30pm | Jim Reid RIP (Booton) At the Church on Oakwood Jean Hester RIP (Barry) |
| Monday | 7.00pm | Paul Haywood RIP |
| Tuesday | 8.30am 9am ~ 5pm | A. J. Antony RIP Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament |
| Wednesday | FEAST <u>10.00am</u> 7.00pm | OF ST. PATRICK Led by Fr. Ken O' Riordan Deceased McArdle family Lent Group Meeting At the Church on Oakwood |
| Thursday | 7.00pm | Dorothy Newport RIP (McCauley) |
| Friday | 9.15am | Nora Middleton |
| Saturday | 1.00pm 6.30pm | Marriage of Catherine Batley and Adam Fraser Josie Reeson RIP (M. Stone) |
| Sunday | 10.00am 5.30pm | Peter Caruth RIP ann For all Parishioners |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: On Request

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Brian Turner who has recently gone to the Park N. H. on St. Marks' Road and Patricia Dawson who has gone to Forest View N. H, Village Street, Derby. Doreen Blackwood is recovering from an operation she had last Wednesday.

NEW PARISH COUNCIL

I've received nine new nominations ~ Clare Cox, Cath Green, Mary Keogh, James Kissane, Simon O'Conner, Jo and Geoff Rowlands, Eileen Rees and Fran Wickes. Officially we needed eight so my personal inclination would be to accept all nine people and ask them to form a group with Lorraine Collins, Maria Neades, Shaun Reid and Mark Booton from the previous group. I'll put this to the present Parish Council who have their final meeting this Thursday March 18th at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Thanks to everyone who has taken part in the nomination process!

NOTTINGHAM CELEBRATES ST. PATRICK

On the day, March 17th, this coming Wednesday. There will be mass at 10am at Our Lady and St. Patricks' Church in the Meadows ~ Sean O' Sé will sing the O' Riada Mass as he does here in Derby. The parade arrives at the Market Square at 12.45pm approx, led by the colours of Waterford. This will be followed by an afternoon concert in the Square. See leaflets or website: www.stpatricksdayparadenottingham.co.uk

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

Thank you all for supporting your children so well in their preparations. We have our final meeting about the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Tuesday, March 16th, in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Please make every effort to take part as we shall be planning the First Reconciliation Service which will take place on Saturday, March 27th at 10am.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

By Air Monday July 19th ~ Saturday July 24th. Led by Bishop Malcolm McMahon. For more details or booking phone 07540 239319 or e mail: admin@nottingham-lourdes.org.uk There are also booklets available in the porch.

PAPAL BLESSINGS

I have been asked to obtain a Papal Blessing for a couples' 25th Wedding Anniversary and wondered whether there is anyone else wanting a Blessing for a similar occasion. Please let me know soon!

BORN FOR THIS;

A dramatic presentation of the Stations of the Cross presented by the young people of Derby Parishes and reach4, the youth service outreach team. Sunday 21st March, 7.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Mickleover. Tickets free but limited so to reserve a ticket call the Briars on 01773 852044 or email fr.joe@ndcys.com

200 CLUB DRAW FOR MARCH

Eileen Antcliffe won £250; Maria McIntyre won £30; Jo Rowlands won £20. Thank you all for your support.

“GIVE IT UP FOR LENT”

You will receive a Cafod Fast Envelope about Fasting this weekend. Someone will speak about it after Holy Communion at each mass.

CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK AT ST. ALBANS’

This Sunday after 10am Mass there will be Irish Dancing and Irish coffee in the Parish Centre. Do come along!

THE CHURCH ON OAKWOOD

Rolling Stone Cafe - Easter Praise! Easter Sunday April 4th 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Please bring along your relatives and friends and join the Church Family for an evening of Easter praise and cake!

If there's anything particular that you'd like us all to sing please Record it on the sheet on the Partnership notice board or speak to Chris Marshall our Musical Director.

THE INQUIRY GROUP

Meets again this Monday, March 15th, at 7.30pm.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY

This weekend. There are presently about 40 sick and retired clergy in the diocese. If you would like to gift aid your donation put it in an envelope and simply write your Parish Box number on the outside of the envelope.

COLLECTIONS: Last week £904.28; plus ~ £168 standing orders.

Thank you all.

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK ~ John & Judith Davis

READERS NEXT WEEK OAKWOOD ~ Greg & Kieron

WELCOMERS: Saturday 6.30pm Ellen Taylor & Alice White
Sunday 10.00am Cecilia Lewis & Angela Fairbrother

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

This is the word of the Lord.

Response to Psalm: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

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Gospel Acclamation: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! I will leave this place and go to my father and say "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you." Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. "When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. "While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate. "Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening." 'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found." '

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