

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

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MARCH 21st 2010 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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| Saturday | 6.30pm | Josie Reeson RIP (M. Stone) |
| Sunday | 10.00am 5.30pm | Peter Caruth RIP ann At the Church on Oakwood For all Parishioners |
| Monday | <u>6.30pm</u> | Mary Eaton RIP (Turner) |
| Tuesday | 8.30am 9am ~ 5pm | Alice Donovan RIP Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament |
| Wednesday | 9.15am 7.00pm | Pauline Hughes' Intentions (Gilmour) Lent Group Meeting At the Church on Oakwood |
| Thursday | 7.00pm 7.30pm | Bridie Doran RIP Spirituality Group ~ Spiritual Healing |
| Friday | 9.15am | Jean Hester RIP (Horgan) |
| Saturday | 10.00am 6.30pm | Service of First Reconciliation Jean Hester & John Myles RIP (Lebeter) |
| Sunday | 10.00am 5.30pm | Hugh Campbell RIP (Smith) For all Parishioners |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: there will be a Parish Service on Tuesday March 30th at 7.30pm. Individual Confessions on Saturday, April 3rd at 10am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Fr. Terence Makings whose funeral took place in Germany last week. There will be a Memorial Mass for him at St. Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham on Friday March 26th at 7.30pm. Congratulations to Catherine Batley and Adam Fraser who got married here yesterday. Please remember the First Reconciliation families who are celebrating next Saturday.

“GIVE IT UP FOR LENT”

We have had four weekends of the Cafod ‘Give it up@ for Lent Campaign. Turning wine into water ~ water bore holes ~ Turning magazines into shelter ~ building houses ~ Turning fasting into food ~ garden tools ~ and turning biscuits into bicycles ~ visiting the sick. Contained with each leaflet was an envelope ~ please bring one envelope or four if you have saved them all! to church next weekend and we will put them in the Second Collection for the Cafod Lenton Fast Campaign. Alternatively if you have saved money with the cardboard money box please bring that. If you want to gift aid your contribution please complete your name and home address on the envelope. Our thanks to those who have spoken to us at the end of mass each weekend.

CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK

Our thanks to NIAMH BARDON and to KAYLEIGH & FRANCESCA LEAF from Long Eaton who danced for us after mass last Sunday and to those who prepared the teas, coffees, and Irish Coffees.

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. Thanks to everyone who has taken part in the nomination process!

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

MORE BORN FOR THIS –

At St. Mary’s Church ~ with direction of our own Jo Rowlands!
Students from St Benedict School will be performing "Born for this" by CJM music on Thursday, March 25th in St Mary's Church at 7.30pm and on Friday 26th March at Saint Benedict School in South Block Hall. "Born for this" is a dramatized setting of the Stations of the Cross - the students have been rehearsing all term as part of their Lenten Journey. Please come along and support them - IT'S FREE -although there will be a collection to cover the Licensing costs-.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

And children will be meeting next Saturday morning at 10.00am in the church to celebrate First Reconciliation. My thanks to our catechists for all their good work with the children on Sundays and with the parents, at the evening meetings.

SPIRITUAL HEALING SERVICE

7.30 pm Thursday 25 March 2010 in the Parish Centre
All are welcome. This is the last session in this series of Spritual events. We will be planning another programme starting after Easter.

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.

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!

200 CLUB DRAW FOR MARCH

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

WEEKEND MASS READERS

Please collect your Guide for Readers ~ April to June ~ this weekend on the porch table.

PROJECT 2030

Last year we had a 200% increase in members and ran wonderful pilgrimages to the Holy Land, Taize, Santiago, Rome and Krakow as well as surfing, skiing and sailing trips. We are trying to get as many twenty-something Catholics together, both locally and at national level. Recent statistics show that less than 3% of adults in their twenties attend Church (all Christian denominations). This age group has become a bit of a spiritual ozone hole which we are attempting to address, in collaboration with Diocesan Youth Workers and other nation group. We would be very grateful if you could again display the enclosed poster and put the flyers at the back of your church. It is often not the young adult that sees the poster or announcement in the bulletin, but a Mum or Gran who then passes it on. With your help we aim to get the word out that in addition to parish and diocesan provisions, there is a plethora of activities that the Church offers for a twentysomething adult.

Further information about Project 2030, together with planned trips, retreats, pilgrimages, bible and catechism study can be found at

www.twentysomethings.eu Jenny Whelan, Lay Chaplain,

COLLECTIONS: Last week £747.03; plus ~ £168 standing orders.

The second collection for Sick & Retired Clergy was £461. Thank you all very much for your contributions.

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK ~ Anne Kearney & Peter Peek

READERS NEXT WEEK OAKWOOD ~ Catherine & Martin

WELCOMERS: Saturday 6.30pm Dawn & Ryan Kiddie
Sunday 10.00am Walter & Win Stone

PALM SUNDAY ~ NEXT WEEKEND!

Please remember to bring some greenery from your garden for the procession at the beginning of mass.

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army, which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises. **This is the word of the Lord.**

Response to Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Second Reading Philippians 3:8-14

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus. **This is the word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel Reading: John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.