



## 'HOME IS A HOLY PLACE'

A thought to take away:

**"How pleasant is it for a father to sit at his child's board. It is like an aged man reclining under the shadow of an oak which he has planted."**

The Abbot will be preaching at all Masses this weekend.

### LEAVING SAFE HARBOURS

#### PASTORAL AREA 2; SOUTH LIVERPOOL:

Proposals for the Pastoral Area as discussed last October have to be revised in view of the decision of the Benedictines to leave St Austin's sometime after Easter and the other developments stated in last week's newsletter. The Pastoral Area Working Group (PAWG) intend to submit a revised plan in the next few weeks. Consultation meetings in each parish will follow.

Fr John Southworth, Dean

**BURMESE ORPHANAGE:** Sister Salette has emailed thanking us for our generous donation from our Christmas collection and other donations (Knowsley ladies Choir). She is hoping to come over this coming July or August and visit the parish.

**CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS:** We do sell Catholic newspapers and various Catholic magazines in the narthex. Please do have a look, prices vary.

### FUTURE EVENTS:

**CONFIRMATION REUNION:** Pass it on! A fun slide show of the recent Ampleforth weekend will take place **this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February 6.30pm-8pm in the crypt**. Anyone confirmed over the last few years, SAGGY members, catechists and clergy are welcome! Bring £2 for pizza and drinks and bring along treats to share. For more information contact Eleanor Lalley, Netti Porter or any SAGGY member on facebook.

**S.V.P. COFFEE MORNING:** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 9.30 to noon all welcome.

**WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Will be held at Garston Park Church, Garston Old Road at 2pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, speaker is Rev Dr Andrew Fox. All are most welcome please see notice board for further details.

**DISCOVERING GOD'S PLAN FOR YOU:** Are you aged 13-18 and thinking about the priesthood? On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March the Vocations Team will be holding its monthly discernment meeting at St Mary's Lowe House, St Helens. The meeting begins at 5pm and after the meeting we go into church for the monthly Youth Alive Mass. The group allows young men to pray, socialize and learn more about the vocation of the priesthood. If you would like to attend this event or would like

more information then please contact Fr James Preston on 01942 673753.

**IF YOU ARE A SINGLE MAN IN YOUR 20'S – 40'S** have you thought about a Vocation to the priesthood? My name is Fr Kieran O'Grady and I started my training for the priesthood when I was the ripe old age of 33 and am now in my 9<sup>th</sup> year of priesthood and am assistant priest at St Paul and St Timothy's, West Derby. If you would like a chat about vocation why not give a member of our Vocations team a call, Fr Kieran on 0151-228 3405 or Fr Richard Ebbo on 01925-722105.

**EAT, GREET & PLAY:** Come and join us on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March after 9.30am family Mass, all welcome. Goods from Ethiopia and Bangladesh charities will be on sale.

**NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:** 10-18<sup>th</sup> March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Each year the Mill Hill Community prepares for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers. They pray for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena booklet (which has recently been updated) to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily Novena prayer, please write to Fr Denis Tracy MHM, St Joseph's Missionary Society, Suite 7, Queensgate House, 18 Cookham Road, Maidenhead SL6 8AJ, or email [novena@millhillmissionaries.com](mailto:novena@millhillmissionaries.com)

**FR STEPHEN WRIGHT OSB HYNING RETREAT:** Moving Forward and Deeper March 23-25<sup>th</sup>, Hyning Monastery Carnforth. For further information please contact FR Stephen on 01423 862388 or email [stephenosb@btinternet.com](mailto:stephenosb@btinternet.com)

**LIVERPOOL HOPE UNIVERSITY:** Invites you to attend the Inaugural Professorial Lecture by Dom Henry Wansbrough on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 5.30pm in Hope Chapel, Hope Park. Please see notice in narthex for further details.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:** The next meetings will be on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March in the priest's house at St Austin's commencing at 6.30pm. Please complete an application form and return to Debbie in the office.

**CONFIRMATIONS ON 2012:** Details of the Confirmation meetings and preparation will be forwarded shortly.

**CHALONER HALL:** Are you a budding singer, instrumentalist, comedian? Chaloner Hall is looking to hold an 'Open Mic' Night in the near future for any upcoming entertainers to practise their act. If you are interested please contact Lenny at the club on 427 6041/07749819720.

**CHURCH CLEANERS:** Please note this week it is Team 3's turn to clean the church.

### DIARY EXTRACTS:

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Lunch for deanery guests

Thank you for last week's collection

	Gift Aid Env	Unaided	Gift Aid D/D	Total
WEEKLY COLLECTION	£214.85	£432.03	£876.56	£1523.44
S.V.P. (additional)	£11.50	£61.03	N/A	£72.53
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