



# Our Lady & St Joseph's Parish Bulletin

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 4TH 2003**



**TODAY** we are having a special second collection for IRAQ. As you will have seen from the TV and your newspapers the people of that country (and especially the children) are suffering grievously as a result of the hostilities there. Our Bishops have asked us to be generous in helping to alleviate their suffering and have asked CAFOD to channel what you give as quickly as possible to help those in the greatest need.

*Parents of children making their FIRST HOLY COMMUNION this year are reminded that there is a meeting for the children after NEXT SUNDAY'S 10.0 Mass. They will have a practice for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Parents are also asked to come to a separate meeting in the Rectory with Fr Turner to talk about the First Communion Day itself. (First Confessions are on Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> and First Communion Day is Sunday June 22.)*

The *Journey in Faith Group* meet this Thursday in the Rectory at 7.30. Maybe this will be the last meeting of the group (we started last October) – but we will see what participants want!

It's the first Sunday of the month today so there's a HOLY HOUR before the Blessed Sacrament from 3.30 to 4.30.

The Parishes in Partnership course seems to have got off to a good start last Wednesday. About 35 folk were there. It was generally agreed, however, that for many 7.0 was too early a start, so from next week we begin at 7.30.

**THOSE WHO USUALLY GO TO THE ST GABRIEL MASS ON WEDNESDAYS ARE ASKED TO NOTE THAT THIS WEEK THERE ISN'T ONE.**

We changed, you remember, the dates of the Readers' Course to Monday May 12 at 7.0 and the Eucharistic Ministers' Course to Tuesday May 13 at 7.0.

We are hoping to initiate in the parish in the near future two schemes to help people know more about their Faith and to help them practise it. One is for young parents and is a non-threatening informal get together in their own homes, watching a video about how to bring their children up in the Faith and encouraging discussion and the sharing of experiences. Already a young couple in the parish have agreed to help with this.

The other scheme is called **LANDINGS** and is designed for those who have long since ceased practising their Faith and would like to resume where they left off! Again, this is an informal and friendly affair creating a welcoming landing place for returning Catholics. Watch this space for further news!

For over two years now we have had morning prayer of the Church at 9.0 each weekday and evening prayer at 6.0. There's a regular small group who attend – but others are always welcome, even though they may not be able to come on a regular basis.

The Union of Catholic Mothers at St Bede's invite the ladies of this parish to a Ecumenical Rally at St Bede's on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 2.30. There's tea afterwards and you are asked to let Maisie Hickey know by this Monday if you would like to be there. (tel. 520433)



## MASS INTENTION

Sat	6.00	Alston	The Parish
Sun	10.00		Kevin McAlindon
	3.30		<b>HOLY HOUR</b>
	4.30		John Hunter
Mon	12.10		Thanksgiving for safe Journey
Tue	8.00		Hugh Ward
	10.00	St Cuth Ct	Nancy Latimer
	12.10		David Taggart
Wed	12.10		Ints of Isabelle Culley
Thu	8.00		Relatives & friends of Louise
	9.15	School	John Davidson
	12.10		Jim Milligan
Fri	8.00		Thomas McCallum
	12.10		Bob Morton
Sat	12.10		David Kirkpatrick
	6.00	Alston	The Parish
Sun	10.00		Joan Matthews
	4.30		Tony O'Brien

Please pray for Peter Fitzsimmons and Frank Logan both of whom are having operations, and for Paddy Waters, Brigid Ward and Vanice Lewcock who are sick. Pray also for Sheila Boswell of Hadrian's Camp (aged 8), Kitty Gildert (Holmeacre Drive), Jimmy Donoghue (Aglionby St) and Phyllis Burrow (wife of Rev. Keith Burrow, the local Methodist minister and also for Nancy Latimer, Bob Morton, David Taggart and Jim Milligan whose anniversaries occur about this time.



WOMEN TOGETHER IN THE  
DIOCESE OF LANCASTER

**"COME AND SHARE"**

A DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION  
Opening our Hearts and Minds  
To the Coming of the Holy Spirit

LED BY SISTER MARY JO McELROY  
and SISTER PATRICE POWER

ON

SATURDAY 7TH JUNE 2003

AT

CASTLERIGG MANOR, KESWICK

10.00 A.M. - 4.00 P.M.

Cost £4 per person

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You will no doubt remember that we agreed that it was a good thing to vary the type of main Mass we celebrated at 10.0 on Sundays. So next week, for a change, the music will be provided by a keyboard with some more modern hymns.



TUESDAY EVENING IN THE SACRISTY

Theme this week

**'DOMESTIC EVANGELISATION'**

**ANY GOOD SECOND HAND BOOKS, TAPES, CD'S, VIDEOS?** Christian Aid would be delighted to take them off your hands for their sale on May15/16. It's at St George's URC up the road and goods for sale (in carrier bags please) can be taken there between 10.0 and 12.0 on Mon Tue & Wed of that week. (No magazines or condensed books, please) See the notice in the porch.

