

## Ecumenism of Action

The ecumenism of action springs out of prayer, and I would argue especially out of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist we find the Body of Christ broken, and the Blood of Christ poured out and shared. And as the Church is empowered and renewed by its reception, so our memory and understanding of the frailty and risk of the incarnation is restored to the centre of our minds, and to the impulsion of our hearts and spirits. In the incarnation Jesus bears all the sin and fragility of the world, and in the host we see that fragility, renewed constantly in fresh life and power.

The ecumenism of action springs from that cycle of death and resurrection, of frailty and renewal, and its creation within us again and again and again of the compassion of God for a world of frailty, sin and darkness, in which without the witness of Christ there is no light of resurrection, no dawn of a coming kingdom.

The world is crying out in need, not only in the obvious ways in which our newspapers tell us, but in the spiritual need of incapacity to forgive each other's sins; incapacity to be reconciled to one another; and to live as one, beautifully diverse, utterly extraordinary creation to represent the oneness of God in Christ.

The ecumenism of action theologically underpinned should be our response to seeing such darkness. We must say that we will carry the light of Christ together into the darkness.

*Extract from Address by Archbishop Justin Welby on January 15th to the World Council of Churches 70th Anniversary in Switzerland.*

## FOCUS FOR THE WEEK



### SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019



*'A table for two'*

**An evening for couples**

Details to follow

### COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Did you know that current or former parishioners who are housebound or in care homes can be visited for prayer and communion! This ministry is provided by the Church Welfare Team, who go out weekly into the community to visit parishioners who cannot attend church due to age, health or mobility problems. The visits take place at the person's home or care home by Welfare Team Members and can be ongoing or short term (for example if recovering from an operation). Please contact the office on 0208 449 6648 for more details. **Steve and Ritsa Helsby.**

### CABIN

The cabin will be open today after 11am  
From 12 noon until 12.30pm.



### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### Confirmation Retreat

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

#### First Holy Communion

Preparation for children and parents.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 9.45am – 12 noon.**

### DESIGN AND COLOURS ADVISORY GROUP

We are starting to plan the refurbishment and decoration of our church and are looking to create a group of *parishioners who have experience of design and colour ideas.* We plan to have a short meeting **after the 11am mass on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> February.** If you are interested and have talents in this area, come along.  
**Andy Rafalat (Property advisor)**



### A reminder: ABOUT DISCERNMENT

The next Saturday of formation is 2<sup>nd</sup> February from 2pm - 6 pm in St John's room. Bring your Bible and what you need to take notes. For information, please contact H el ene Guilbault 07599759115



### NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK

The manager of the foodbank, Kerry Coe, wishes to thank all the parishioners who donated both food and money to the foodbank during the past year. In total some 1,497 kilos of food were donated in 2018 together with £670.00 in cash which was spent in local shops to supplement the donated food. In total this represents the provision of 936 meals for needy families. Parishioners have been donating to this good cause since June 2014. Thank you for your generosity. Please continue to support those who are suffering financial hardship.

### CAFOD – BRAZILIAN AMAZON

The struggle for social and environmental justice in the Brazilian Amazon – talk and Q&A **Wednesday 6th February 2.30pm** at CAFOD's Volunteer Centre Church of Christ the King. This volunteer meeting will include an opportunity to hear a first-hand account of our work to defend indigenous rights and the Amazon in Brazil. Please contact Tony Sheen [tsheen@cafod.org.uk](mailto:tsheen@cafod.org.uk) for further details.

### PARISH GROUPS

#### Monday Prayer Group

28<sup>th</sup> January – 8pm

#### Parent & Toddlers

9.30 – 11.00am Wednesdays



#### The BT Club Thursday 1.30 - 3.30pm in the Small Hall

31st Jan Monique's Memory Quiz  
At the club we have interactive workshops and talks on subjects of interest, if you have a talent to share or expertise in a particular field to impart, you are most welcome to come along just leave your contact details with Suzanne in the office. Thank you.



### IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

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Sunday 27 January 2019	<b>THIRD SUNDAY year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Nehemiah 8:2-6. 8-10. Ps. 18:8-10. 15. 1 Cor. 12:12-30. Lk. 1:1-4; 4:14-21.	Thursday 31 January	St John Bosco, Priest Mass: 11.00am Readings: Phil. 4:4-9. Ps. 102:1-4. 8-9. 13-14. 17-18. Mt. 18:1-5.
Monday 28 January	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor Mass: 11.00am Readings: Wisdom 7:7-10. 15-16. Ps. 118:9-14. Mt. 23:8-12.	Friday 1 February	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Hebrews 10:32-39. Ps. 36:3-6. 23-24. 39-40. Mk. 4:26-34.
Tuesday 29 January	Feria <b>NO MASS</b> Readings: Hebrews 10:1-10. Ps. 39:2. 4. 7-8. 10. 11. Mk. 3:31-35.	Saturday 2 February	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Masses: 11.00am and 5.30pm Readings: Malachi 3:1-4. Ps. 23:7-10. Heb. 2:14-18. Lk. 2:22-40.
Wednesday 30 January	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Hebrews 10:11-18. Ps. 109:1-4. Mk. 4:1-20.	Sunday 3 February	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-5. 17-19. Ps. 70:1-6. 15. 17. 1 Cor. 12:31 – 13:13. Lk. 4:21-30.