

ST JOHN'S GUILD

EASTER 2010 NEWSLETTER

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1. INTRODUCTION FROM JULIET REEVE

The Easter Newsletter has been compiled by Richard McEwan and Judy Dunk. Judy is the newly elected Chairman of the Directors of St John's Guild and Richard is the Chief Officer.

This time, the Newsletter is being recorded at the home of Margaret Hicks in Warwick. Margaret is a Director of St John's Guild and a member of the Coventry Branch.

Margaret Hick's home is familiar to some of you as her house and garden is the venue for an annual summer garden party. Members of the Coventry Branch and friends usually descend on Margaret's home in August and in the Warwickshire sunshine the Guild Office is said in the garden before the party begins. We are very grateful to Margaret and to all the other members of the Guild who arrange a varied programme of activities for members to enjoy.

Juliet Reeve



The St. John's Guild logo depicts an eagle flying upwards to the sun. The Fourth Evangelist, St. John, from the earliest times, has been identified with the fourth symbolic creature in the Book of Revelation. The fourth creature has the face of an eagle.

2. FROM JUDY DUNK, CHAIRMAN OF THE DIRECTORS

What a busy few months this has been! As I sit here on Ash Wednesday both reflecting back and looking forward I realise what a confusion my mind is in.

A television documentary made in Belgium in October, a lot of time spent at St Raphael's and a very busy Christmas. In January we celebrated our eldest grandson's 18th birthday, my brother's 60th birthday celebration happened in February and now there are the preparations for our own 40th wedding anniversary in March, and Lent, time to take stock, look forward and prepare for another celebration.

At our Ash Wednesday Mass this morning Father Marcer (the vicar of St Nicholas's Church Radford in Coventry) talked about how we use our time for God. For those of us who are on our own a lot he suggested that perhaps we could "pray more, meditate more, read more" and maybe spend a bit more time with others – if that is possible.



I have observed many Lenten periods over the years, some good and some not so good – but there has always been an awareness that this is a special time within the Church's year. I will attempt to make some real space to spend in meditation, reading and prayer in order to really celebrate the glories of the Resurrection. Six weeks is not that long to spend on a little discipline and perhaps I will be able to sustain it after Easter too.

So please remember me in your prayers as you follow your own Lenten practices, and I wish you all a glorious and blessed Eastertide.

My love and prayers to all of you this Easter,

Judy Dunk

3. FROM THE CHAPLAIN OF ST RAPHAEL'S

Meeting the Risen Christ

As I prepare this piece our long, hard winter is only reluctantly beginning to give way to spring. Gardeners tell me that the spring flowers are anything up to a month behind what they have been in recent years. Yet daffodils or no daffodils we are celebrating Easter once again; the joyful proclamation of new life that flows from our Christian belief that Jesus who died on the Cross on Good Friday, was raised again by His Father on Easter day, never to die again. Proclaiming too that our lives will never be the same again because of those events 2,000 years ago in Jerusalem.

Some of the most beautiful and powerfully moving stories in all scripture are those accounts of Jesus meeting His disciples in the hours and days after His Resurrection. What, for me, makes them so special is their very personal and intimate quality. The first Easter, in the gospels, is an event that is not accompanied by flashy special effect or big dramatic gestures. Instead it is a series of meetings with individual men and women and small groups of disciples. In each case Jesus seems to know instinctively what that man or woman needs to be able to believe in Him and to share in His risen life. For Mary Magdalene it is that first meeting alone in the garden, a very special privilege for a woman who had a very special devotion to Jesus. For

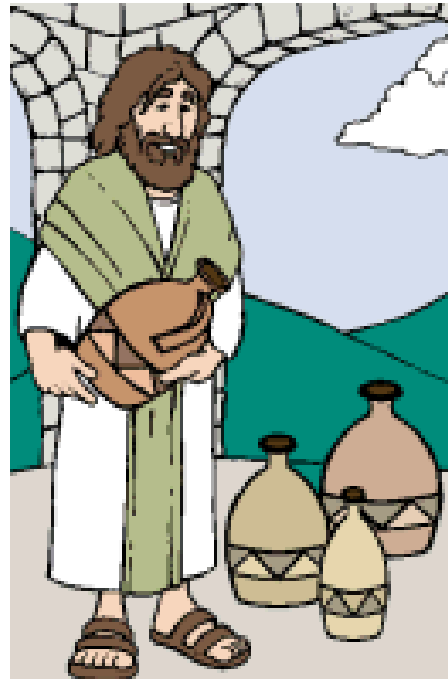
the disciples travelling to Emmaus it is an unfolding of the Jewish scriptures and traditions that pointed forward to that very moment. For the Galilean fishermen, tired from a fruitless night's work on the Sea of Galilee, it was breakfast on the shore. For Thomas it was the physical evidence of Christ's wounds that he needed to be able to believe and for Peter it was a threefold question and commission that undid and healed his threefold denial on that terrible night before the Crucifixion.

That is how the stunning reality of the resurrection was made known to the first disciples. Only then could the message of Jesus, crucified and raised, be preached more widely to the world at large. We should expect something similar in our own lives and many of us, indeed, have had such very personal experiences of the Risen Christ, touching us at the point of our deepest need. A 19th century Christian writer once said that when God looks at all the human souls that have ever been, all that are living now and all that will be, He never sees a crowd but only individuals. God only deals with us as a unique individual. Our Risen Lord comes to each of us in the depths of our being and speaks whatever words of hope, forgiveness, courage, healing or love that we need to hear.

It is good when a long hard winter finally gives way to spring and the promise of summer. Certainly this year I think we will appreciate spring, with its growing warmth and the beauty of trees and flowers much more. But spring and then summer brings new tasks, as any gardener will tell you. Indeed the pace of work picks up after the quiet days winter. So it is also with Easter. The disciples were overjoyed by finding that Jesus was once again with them after the apparent disaster of Good Friday. But that period of Jesus appearing physically to his disciples was only brief. Very quickly the true implications of Easter became apparent. Jesus was handing over to them, his followers the work of continuing his ministry, of taking out the message of the Kingdom of God to the ends of the earth. Resurrection joy did not lead to a life of idle pleasure or purely spiritual delight. Indeed sometimes quite the opposite. The disciples had to leave behind all that was familiar and set off for distant parts to preach the gospel. Remember Paul reminding his readers of the number times he had been imprisoned and beaten, shipwrecked and close to death. Many of those first disciples, Paul included would later die for their faith in the risen Christ.

Easter is not a shortcut out of the problems and struggles of this life. Indeed faith in the Risen Christ puts

us all in the frontline of the battle of good against evil, that battle to make the kingdom of this world the



Kingdom of God and of His Christ. And that beneath all the turmoil of the world around us and the inner turmoil of our own lives the Risen Christ lives in the very heart of our being. If we are open to Him, He will meet us day by day as He met those first disciples on the seashore or in the upper room and will fulfil our deepest longings.

Happy Easter to you all!

Peter Wadsworth

Chaplain to St Raphael's and Vicar of St Saviour's Church, St Albans

4. FROM THE CHIEF OFFICER

The Revised Guild Manual

Many members of St John's Guild have been involved in the revision of the Guild Manual and I am happy to report that the revision is now complete and that it is currently going to print. The new manual will be printed by the Additional Curates Society (ACS) in Birmingham. Those of you familiar with this organisation will know that they provide attractive Christian literature of a high standard and this always proves to be good value for money.



The revised Guild Manual is the result of the work done by the Advisory Committee and other members of St John's Guild. Much of the revision was done by our late warden Fr Graeme Hands who died on 7th March 2009.

The Manual will contain the Guild Office, the Office of Admission of a new member and Fr Graeme's own version of Stations of the Cross, which he developed over many years and used during the Guild's pilgrimages to Walsingham. Many Guild members will be familiar with these and recall the very real sense of devotion with which Fr Graeme led us in the Way of the Cross. There is also a selection of Occasional Prayers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament included in the new manual for devotional use.

It is therefore appropriate that the new manual forms part of Fr Graeme's memorial and our use of it makes it a living testimony to his work on behalf of all those blind and partially sighted people to whom he ministered.

The Walsingham Pilgrimage

***“Gentle herdsman, tell to me,
Of courtesy I thee pray
Unto the town of Walsingham
Which is the right and ready way?”***

***Unto the town of Walsingham
The way is hard for to be gone;
And very crowded are the paths
For you to find out all alone.”***

***From the Reliques of Ancient English Poetry
By Bishop Thomas Herbert***

This Easter Newsletter contains details of the Guilds Holiday/Pilgrimage to Walsingham in May. If you would like to join us this year there are still a few places available.

During my visits to the Branches I have often been asked “What is Walsingham all about?” This is not an easy question to answer for we are all individuals and we respond in different ways. Pilgrimage is both an ancient and a modern concept and for those of you who wish to know more (and if you are on the internet) you may wish to visit the excellent Shrine website on: www.walsinghamanglican.or.uk

Pilgrimage

Pilgrimage is an essential part of life and living. Christians see life itself in terms of a journey, coming from God and returning to God. This is true of other world religions where pilgrimage is also important.

A pilgrimage is a symbol in action. It represents the journey of the Christian life from earth to heaven. The Church is sometimes described as a pilgrim people.

Back in the Middle Ages pilgrimages were very popular. It was not like going on holiday. Pilgrimages took years. Journeys were long and dangerous and many died en route. They usually travelled in groups and would stay in monasteries or hostels on the way. Pilgrims undertook these journeys to holy places because it was important for their faith. If they had committed sins they believed that by going on a pilgrimage they could show God how sorry they were. Sometimes they were sent on such journeys by a priest as a penance. Sometimes they went for healing of a physical condition.

Incarnation

It is a strange phenomenon of the late twentieth century that pilgrimage should again have become popular. Thousands of visitors now go to Walsingham each year.

The particular emphasis of pilgrimage to Walsingham is concerned with the Incarnation of Jesus – this is the belief central to the Christian faith that at a definite date in history, in a certain place, God himself was born of a woman into a human family.

The Holy House is a reminder of Nazareth, of the house in which Jesus lived as a child and young man. By visiting it and praying within it, pilgrims believe that they are identifying with those influences which were formative as Jesus grew through childhood to adolescence and adulthood.

Some abiding memories of the Guild Holiday / Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage with the Guild is combined with a holiday break and that is our particular way of doing pilgrimage. Parishes and individuals will have other ideas. If you feel that pilgrimage might be for you the best way is to go and experience it for yourself. The following comments have been made by some members of St John's Guild about their pilgrimage experiences:

- Peace and deep sense of prayer made simple and appealing.
- Fellowship made stronger and laughter more ready than ever (where even the old jokes sounded new).
- A place to bring doubts and scepticism, but where - even though those reservations remained, it did not matter.
- A place where it seemed overwhelmingly and satisfyingly normal to be a Christian, an Anglican and to live a life founded in the sacraments and prayer where to believe and to practise the Christian faith was simple and natural.....
- A place where the unlikely became possible, the flamboyant and even the absurd were at home with the beauty of holiness and where we could be ourselves for a spell. A lovely place and we had a lovely time, together for a time out of time with our fellow Christians and, without a shadow of a doubt, with our God.

The Interment of Ashes during the Guild Holiday /Pilgrimage

During the Guild Holiday/Pilgrimage this year the ashes of Fr Graeme Hands and Stephen Andrews will be interred into St Mary's churchyard. The interment will happen at the conclusion of a Mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday 20th May at 7.30pm in St Mary's, Little Walsingham. Family, friends and Guild members are all invited to attend. If you would like to be present please accept this as your invitation to be with us. The service will be followed by drinks and nibbles in church.

With all good wishes for a Joyful Easter,

Richard McEwan

5. FROM NEWS FROM THE BRANCHES

5.1 The Wolverhampton Branch

Richard McEwan reports: *“I was delighted to visit the Wolverhampton Branch again this month and to see them settling into their wonderful new premises. The old Beacon Centre has now been replaced with a marvellous new building. It was a real joy to visit the new Beacon Centre but more importantly to see the “old faces” that are now at home in this excellent resource. I was privileged to be shown two of the residents’ two bed roomed apartments and was most impressed by the high quality of the accommodation.”*

Tim Jukes secretary of the Wolverhampton Branch writes the following:

New Centre for the Visually Impaired

Beacon Centre for the Blind in Sedgley has undergone a complete re development. The old buildings were dilapidated and very expensive to maintain. The charity, which works with 3000 people, had no future unless it took drastic action.

The £18 million state of the art centre has been developed in partnership with Loughborough-based contractor and developer William Davis Ltd and the Bromford Group who has built the residential part of the building.

The new facilities include a 25,000 square foot head quarters and administrative centre for the Beacon Centre charity, craft rooms, social rooms, a fully equipped recreational hall and gym, IT suite, a designated training and employment area, talking newspaper studio, charity shop and retail/catering outlets. In addition the 3.5 acre site comprises 71 purpose built apartments for shared ownership and rent.

Ian Ferguson, Chief Executive, Beacon Centre for the Blind said: *“It has been 6 years since the Beacon Centre embarked upon its most ambitious task ever – the complete re-development of the Centre. We are very proud of our new development and very grateful to all the people in our local communities who have donated their time and money to make it possible.”*

Service users and residents are delighted with the new Centre and have settled in very quickly. One service user said, “Although I can’t see, I know that we have moved from a shed to a palace.”

Beacon centre has already held a series of open days, and will be holding more over the coming months. These will be advertised in the local press and on the web site: www.beacon4blind.co.uk

Tim Jukes

5.2 The Pimlico Branch

St Mary's Pimlico with St Saviour's Acton continues to meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 2.30pm. The meetings are held at St Mary's Church, Bourne Street, Pimlico, London SW1. The Church is only a short walk from Sloane Square.

Last autumn we said goodbye to our branch Chaplain Fr Alisdair Coles who was the priest in charge of St Mary's and St Barnabas Pimlico. Fr Alisdair has taken up a new position as chaplain to a city academy in Dunstable.

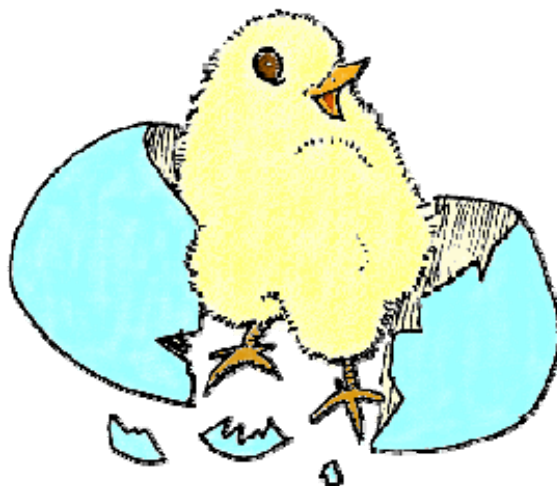
He is greatly missed by our Branch members and we would like to express our appreciation for his understanding and many kindnesses. Thank you Fr Alisdair for everything!

The church wardens were keen that the Branch continued to meet at St Mary's and we are most grateful for the arrangements which they have made for us. At present we are unable to have a celebration of the Eucharist and we currently use the Guild Office led by Tim Shanahan followed by a talk. After the service we move to St Mary's Presbytery for tea and conversation. Three times a year we join with our friends at St Saviour's West Acton. The service is led by the Revd Anne Richardson who is the Chaplain to the deaf/blind in the Diocese of London. The service is signed for the regular deaf congregation. Afterwards an excellent lunch is served which is provided by the Acton Afternoon Club.

New members are always welcome to join us. For further details speak to the Branch Secretary Mrs Jenny Shanahan on 0208 2485516.

Happy Easter from all of us in Pimlico and West Acton.

Jenny Shanahan.



JEAN STEVENS - AN APPRECIATION
BY FR PETER WADSWORTH - 10TH MARCH 2010

I preach at many funerals and from time to time I preach at one where I feel a very real sense of personal loss. This is one of those special occasions. Jean's sudden and unexpected death leaves a real gap. I shall miss my regular Thursday morning visits to her room to celebrate the Eucharist for her – to be uplifted by her very deep and quiet faith which shone out on those occasions. She was always very grateful for the visits but I can say without any exaggeration that I always felt that I had received more than I had personally been able to give. I know that she will be missed by many others; her family and by the community of St. Raphael's in which she has played so significant a part for so many years. Just a year ago that wonderful partnership of the 'two fluffs', Mary and Jean was finally broken up by Mary's death. Jean carried on with great courage and good humour which was undiminished on the last occasion I saw her just eight days before she died.

From the way that she was with everyone you would hardly have believed that Jean had had a hard life in many ways. She was born in May 1926; the eldest of seven children and owing to an eye defect could not be educated at a normal school. She was educated at Swiss Cottage Blind School and was well versed in many subjects. She clearly had a lively and enquiring mind which was still evident at the end of her life. After school days she was employed at a factory for the blind and partially sighted as a machinist making things like woolly socks. Her brother Peter told me that she would go back to a very austere hostel attached to the factory after a family visit never complaining. That was another feature of Jean. She had a remarkable ability to take life as it came and make the most of it.

On her retirement in 1976 she was offered a place at St. Raphael's and this turned out to be a great blessing for her, and I would add, a great blessing for St. Raphael's. She met up with Mary, an old school friend and although her life was restricted by her sight problems and increasing age she always seemed very contented with her lot. Jean and Mary were a remarkable double act and whilst Mary would often seem the dominant partner Jean's strength and good humour was, I am sure, absolutely fundamental to that friendship. Her loyalty was outstanding even towards the end when Mary's hearing loss added to her blindness could make her quite challenging to deal with. It was very touching the way in which, after Mary's death, she started coming downstairs more but while Mary was alive she had always stayed by her.



One characteristic of Jean that I shall always cherish was her mischievous sense of humour that must have helped her greatly through life. We had a number of running jokes over the years that we both enjoyed. Towards the end Mary slept much of the time and we used to joke that we ought to have a large teapot to dip her into to wake her up just like the one the dormouse is dipped into at the Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Then in the last months of Jean's life I would increasingly find her on her bed when I arrived and would help her into her chair. Those who cared for her at St. Raphael's will know that she had a tiny, rather battered, but once very elegant pair of red velvet slippers. She would ask me to help her put them on. I would kneel in front of her and say, 'Make the most of this Jean. I am probably the nearest thing to Prince Charming you are going to get this week' and she would always enjoy the joke.

JEAN STEVENS on St Raphael's Day in 2008

But let me end once more with her faith that was so deep and so fundamental to her life. The old Prayer Book Communion service was something she knew intimately and joined in always with great devotion. I am utterly certain that this faithful servant of Christ would have been received with love and joy into presence of her Lord at the moment of death and that she would have heard those words from scripture, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your Lord.' She has enriched our lives for many years and will be remembered for as many more as a delightful, loving, loyal and humorous individual who despite her disabilities and in that tiny bird-like body lived a life of such richness and faith. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen

7. THE COMPANIONSHIP OF PRAYER

Compiled by Anne Abel

Saint John's Guild has a network of local Branches throughout the country. These meet regularly and provide the opportunity for people to meet friends and for spiritual fellowship and worship. In the prayers this time you'll find a cycle of prayer for the branches.

MARCH 2010

Cycle of Prayer for the Branches

This month we remember: Cheltenham, Eastbourne, Kendal/Windermere and Sleaford branches, for all their Chaplains, secretaries, treasurers and all the members, giving thanks for their time together each month.

1st Saint David, Bishop, and Patron Saint of Wales:

Saint David was born in Caerfai, Pembrokeshire, Wales and died in AD 589 of natural causes. Why is Saint David the Patron of Wales and doves? Wales because of his association with the country and a dove because legend tells us that once when he was preaching, a dove descended on his shoulder to show the blessing of God. We pray for the people of Wales on this day and for the church celebrating this feast day.

17th Saint Patrick of Ireland: Bishop, Apostle of Ireland:

We pray for the people of Ireland on this day and for continued peace.

Prayer of Saint Patrick

May the Strength of God guide us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Angels of God guard us,
Against the snares of the evil one. Amen

19th Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Father, you entrusted our Saviour to the care of Saint Joseph. By the help of his prayers may your Church continue to serve its Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen

25th The Annunciation of the Lord

We celebrate that great day of decision: Mary's acceptance of the role that God has chosen for her in His plan of redemption.

28th Palm Sunday

The beginning of Holy Week. Reflections for the week:

Collect for Palm Sunday

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given the human race, Jesus Christ our Saviour, as a model of humility. He fulfilled your will by becoming a man and by giving his life on the cross. Help us to bear witness to you, by following his example of suffering, and make us worthy to share in his resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Monday 29th

Hail to You, Lord Jesus, you alone have had compassion on our sins.

Tuesday 30th

Hail to you, our King obedient to the Father; you are led to your crucifixion as a meek lamb to the slaughter.

APRIL 2010

April 1st Maundy Thursday The Last Supper

We receive new life, almighty God, from the supper that your Son gave us in this world. May we find full contentment in the meal we hope to share in your eternal kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

April 2nd Good Friday The Lord's Passion.

Christ was humbler yet, even accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high, and gave him the name which is above all names. Amen.

April 3rd Holy Saturday The Service of Light

By His holy and glorious wounds our Christ, our Lord guard us and keep us, Amen.

May the light of Christ, rising in Glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds. Amen.

He is risen, Alleluia!

April 4th Easter Day He is Risen Alleluia!

Through the resurrection of his Son, God has granted us healing. May he fulfil his promises, and bless us with eternal life. Amen.

Cycle of Prayer for the Branches

This month we remember Coventry, Didcot, Plymouth and St Albans. We pray for the residents and staff of Saint Raphael's and for all the Branch secretaries, treasurers, chaplains and all their members. We also remember this month all those who hold office within the Guild, for Judy Dunk, Richard McEwan, the directors and members of the advisory committee.

April 23rd Saint George, the Martyr

Since the fourth century Saint George has been venerated in Lydia, in Palestine. He was adopted as Patron Saint of England during the crusades.

Prayer

Almighty God who gave your servant George, boldness to confess the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die for his faith, grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in us, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

25th Saint Mark, Evangelist

Mark went with St. Paul on his first missionary journey, along with his cousin Barnabas. He made later journeys with Barnabas alone. He was in Rome with Paul and with Saint Peter.

Prayer

Lord as we offer the sacrifice of praise on the feast of Saint Mark, we pray that your church may always be faithful to the preaching of the gospel. Amen.

MAY 2010

Cycle of Prayer for the Branches.

This month we remember Tewkesbury, Wolverhampton, Kensal Green, and Maldon Branches for their Chaplains, secretaries, treasurers, and all their members. We ask for your prayers on the Guild Holiday Pilgrimage to Walsingham this month and for the summer festival at Maldon. We pray for our time of fellowship and prayer together, and for all the preparation.

May 1st Saint Joseph the Worker

Saint Joseph is the patron of all working people.

We remember all those who have lost their jobs during the recession. We remember those whose work is to care for others who can no longer care for themselves. We especially pray for those looking for work at this time.

Prayer

Lord, hear the prayers of those you inspired by the example of Saint Joseph. May our lives manifest your love; may we rejoice for ever in your peace. Amen

May 3rd Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Philip was born at Bethsaida. He was a disciple of John the Baptist who followed the call of Christ.

James the Son of Alphaeus, should not be confused with James the brother of John. The Lord appeared to him after the resurrection; he is the writer of one of the Epistles.

Prayer

God our Father, every year you give us joy as we celebrate the festival of the apostles Philip and James. By the help of their prayers, may we share in the suffering, death and resurrection of your only Son and come to the eternal vision of your Glory. Amen.

May 13th The Ascension of our Lord

We celebrate Christ's ascension to his eternal Glory in heaven and express our Christian hope that where he, our head, has gone before us, we, his body will one day follow, to live for ever in the kingdom of our Father.

Pray that the risen Christ will lead us to eternal life. God our Father make us joyful in the ascension of your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

May 23rd Whit Sunday or Pentecost

We celebrate that great day of Pentecost when Christ filled the church with the power of His spirit and sent it out into the world to bring his peace, joy and forgiveness to all mankind.

Prayer

God inspired speech in different tongues to proclaim one faith. May he strengthen you and fulfil your hope to see him face to face. Amen.

May 30th Trinity Sunday

The spirit glorifies the Son of the eternal Father. Today we, in the spirit, give Glory to God, for the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Prayer

God, we praise you Father all-powerful, Christ, Lord and Saviour, spirit of love. You reveal yourself in the depths of our being, drawing us to share in your life and in your love. One God, three persons, be near to the people formed in your image, close to the world your love brings to life. Amen.

We pray for those who work to publish the Guild magazines in print, on tape and in Braille. We also pray for the readers and listeners. Amen

8. ST JOHN'S GUILD EVENTS 2010

8.1 The Holiday Pilgrimage to Walsingham

The dates for the Holiday/Pilgrimage to Walsingham are as follows:

Arrive 4.00pm Sunday 16th May
Depart 10.00am Friday 21st May

Leaders: Members of the Advisory Council

Total cost is £225. Please send £25 deposit to:

The Guild Office
8, St Raphael's Court
Avenue Road
St Albans
Hertfordshire AL1 3EH

8.2 Summer Festival & Get Together

Saturday 29th May 12 Noon

St Mary's Church Maldon, Essex

By kind permission of the Vicar – Fr Louis Darrent &
the PCC of St Mary's

Further information, details and numbers for lunch to:

Mr Donald Cook
55 Coleridge Way
Maldon
Essex
CN9 6DH

Tel: 01621 852960



8.3 Autumn Festival & Get Together

Saturday 2nd October at 12 Noon

St Luke's Church, Stonecross, Eastbourne

By kind permission of the Vicar – Fr James Vine

& the PCC of St Luke's

Further information, details and numbers for lunch to:

Mrs Christine Mullen

“Pastures”

Lower Horsebridge

Hailsham

East Sussex

BN27 4DN

Tel: 01323 840672

Financial Help & Support

We would like all our events to be open to as many Branch members as possible. St John's Guild is able to provide small bursaries (financial help) which would go towards meeting part of the costs involved in attending any of these events. Branch Secretaries or Chaplains who know of situations of financial hardship can contact the Chief Officer at the Guild Office to discuss any financial support the Guild can offer.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE WORK OF
ST JOHN'S GUILD
WHEN MAKING YOUR WILL



**The Directors and Advisory Committee
wish to express their sincere thanks to all
branch chaplains, secretaries, treasurers, regional officers,
volunteers and the members of the branches
for their valued support and work.**