



The Superior-General writes...

History in the making!



"History has been made within our hearing" were the unforgettable words of Archbishop Nichols of Westminster at the setting up of the first Personal Ordinariate under the Apostolic Constitution *Anglicanorum Coetibus*. Archbishop Nichols also said "In the 100 year history of this Cathedral there have been many Ordinations, but none quite like this". Whatever one thinks of the Ordinariate, there can be no doubt that 15th January 2011 was indeed an historic day. Whilst not altogether unexpected it was still wonderful to hear a CBS priest-associate, Fr Keith Newton, being named by the Holy Father as its first Ordinary. We assure him of our prayers. Many CBS associates were present at that extraordinary event, and will soon want to join the

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History in the Making! *continued*

Ordinariate. The Council-General has already said that it is possible to join the Ordinariate and remain an associate of the CBS. Indeed, our objects make it clear that we are to 'Uphold the Catholic Faith within the Anglican Tradition'. Some have argued that as the Church of England increasingly reneges on many of its traditions and promises, the only place where the Anglican Tradition will be guarded is within the Ordinariate. Not necessarily in things like liturgy and vestments but far more

importantly in things like education, theology and Godly living: the things on which the Oxford Movement was founded. Keble, Pusey and Newman came to a common mind, and then went different ways. What would they make of the situation now? Indeed, has anything really changed since the Assize sermon?

Yes: the Anglican horizon has broadened far more significantly in many directions, but most especially in



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the Apostolic Constitution, which is not an emergency escape route for disaffected Anglicans, but a route to unity. It is obedient to the High Priestly Prayer of Jesus, it fulfils the direction and purpose of Forward in Faith; and is consonant with the sermons of the Anglo Catholic Congress of the 1920s 'A Catholicism without the Petrine Ministry is not Catholicism at all, but a high church movement'.

However, there are many Associates who wish to remain in the Church of England, and no one doubts that this is a noble thing to do in seeing the Synodal process through and hoping for a provision, even as little as the Code of Practice. No one, however, can reasonably expect that Women Bishops are not on the horizon of the Church of England, probably sooner rather than later. Those involved in the Synodal process might argue that they wish to see the process through: they entered the race, working, hoping and praying that the solemn promises would be kept. But, even in the unlikely event of there being a reasonable provision, what next? What was it that we were working towards? If there is no

provision and no Sacramental assurance, what then? How will the Catholicity of the Anglican Tradition be maintained? These are questions many will wrestle with.

To join or not to join is a question facing many Associates at the moment, and as Superior-General I want you to know that you will be supported in your decision, whatever it is, and whenever you make it. I urge you to support and respect the decisions of others, even if they are not in accord with your own; not to persuade, but to inform, so that we may all make decisions in good conscience. As we each decide, we must support each other, and look to the Sacrament of Love. To join the Ordinariate will have its costs; to stay in the Church of England for honourable reasons will not be without a price. We must build bridges, not burn them. So I implore all Associates not to engage in words or activity which are harmful, but only to speak well of each other as we all respond to God's call.

If for example, you have members of your Ward who are joining the Ordinariate, we could regard these

situations as being too problem laden. But maybe it's an opportunity to see how we can maintain fraternal fellowship and friendship to the highest degree possible, without compromising each other's integrity. With imagination and willing hearts it will be possible to continue devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The shared future might be rocky, but the degree of 'rockiness' is up to us!

Thank you to those Wards who are sending Reports and Subscriptions. Reports should be sent to Fr Lindlar, the Secretary General. Subscriptions and requests for Badges, Medals and Manuals should be sent to Mary Bashford at the Additional Curates Society.

This issue is a little later than usual due to some procedural issues in the new system we have in producing the Quarterly. Thank you for bearing with us.



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Superior-General

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INTERCESSIONS

MARCH

- 1 S David – Christian in Wales
- 2 The Ward of S Thomas Aquinas, Calgary
- 3 The Ward of S Michael & All Angels, Winnipeg
- 4 The Additional Curates Society
- 5 My Ward – its Superior and Members
- 6 9th in ORDINARY TIME
Christ, our Rock of Refuge
- 7 The Ward of S Michael, Bath
- 8 The Catholic Societies' Vocations Initiative
- 9 ASH WEDNESDAY
Penitence is an essential part of Christian life
- 10 The Ward of All Saints with S Saviour, Weston super Mare
- 11 The Ward of S Gregory & S Augustine, Bristol
- 12 My Ward – its Superior and Members
- 13 LENT 1
Christ the second Adam who overcame sin and temptation
- 14 The Ward of The Holy Family, Swindon
- 15 The Ward of S Thomas, Birmingham
- 16 The Ward of The Holy Family, Leamington Spa
- 17 S Patrick – Christian in Ireland
- 18 The CBS Trustees
- 19 S Joseph – My Ward – its Superior and Members
- 20 LENT 2
We follow our transfigured Lord in faith
- 21 The Ward of S Faith, Bradford
- 22 The Ward of S Wilfrid, Leeds
- 23 The Ward of S Brigid, Sweden
- 24 The Ward of S Herbert, Carlisle
- 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham
- 26 My Ward – its Superior and Members
- 27 LENT 3
Quench your spiritual thirst with the Living Water
- 28 The Ward of The Precious Blood, Durham
- 29 Fr Keith Newton, the Ordinary of OOLW
- 30 The Ward of S Benedict, Blyth
- 31 The Ward of Our Lady of Deal

THE CONFRATERNITY'S DAILY PRAYER

Almighty God, look, we pray, on the face of your beloved Son, and for the sake of his merits mercifully hear the prayers which throughout our Confraternity we continually offer to you; and grant us unity, a true faith, and a life agreeable to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

R.I.P.

We commend to God the souls of all Departed Associates of the Confraternity, especially the following who have died recently.

Associates

Mr O Baird
Mrs P Spiers
Mr P Rainbow

The National Festival this year has been moved to later in the year. As many Associates, priests and lay, will be in a period of flux in June, it seems sensible to move it to a less hectic time. The venue too still has to be agreed as we do not know where many of us will be.

So for the meanwhile,
please put into your diary

Saturday 26th November.

INTERCESSIONS

APRIL

- 1 The Ward of The Annunciation, Chislehurst
- 2 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 3 LENT 4
Christ lights our way as he leads us to his kingdom
- 4 The Ward of The Transfiguration, Sevenoaks
- 5 The Ward of Christ the King & Stella Maris, Blackpool
- 6 Fr Christopher Pearson, our Superior-General
- 7 The Ward of The Protomartyr, Blackpool
- 8 The Ward of SS Werburg & Winifred, Wirral & North Wales
- 9 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 10 LENT 5
We open ourselves to Christ's life-giving Spirit
- 11 The Ward of S Agnes, Liverpool
- 12 The Ward of the Precious Blood, Southport
- 13 Fr David Waller, our Treasurer-General
- 14 The Ward of The Precious Blood, Swinton & Pendlebury
- 15 The Ward of The Holy Angels, Brentwood
- 16 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 17 PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
Strength to follow the Way of the Cross
- 18 Monday in Holy Week — confessors and spiritual directors
- 19 Tuesday in Holy Week — Grace to make a good Confession
- 20 Wednesday in Holy Week —
The Society of the Holy Cross (SSC)
- 21 MAUNDY THURSDAY
Thanksgiving for the institution of the Blessed Sacrament
- 22 GOOD FRIDAY
Thanksgiving for our Redemption
- 23 EASTER EVE
The Guild of All Souls and all the Faithful Departed
- 24 EASTER DAY
Thanksgiving for new life in Christ
- 25 Fr Christopher Lindlar our Secretary-General
- 26 The Ward of S Cedd & The Saints of Essex, Colchester
- 27 The CBS Council-General
- 28 The Ward of the Sacred Passion, Ilford
- 29 The Ward of Christ the King, Leigh on Sea
- 30 My Ward — its Superior and Members

MAY

- 1 EASTER 2
That we may know Jesus as Lord and God
- 2 S George — Christians in England
- 3 The Ward of The Epiphany, Leytonstone
- 4 The English Martyrs — The Anglican/Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC3)
- 5 The Ward of S John Vianney, Mid-Essex
- 6 The Ward of S Anthony, Woodford Green
- 7 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 8 EASTER 3
That we may proclaim the Risen Christ as Lord
- 9 The Church Union
- 10 The Ward of The Sacred Heart, Hammerfield
- 11 The Ward of Our Lady, Letchworth
- 12 The Federation of Catholic Priests
- 13 Isolated Associates on the Secretary-General's List
- 14 S Matthias — All whom God chooses
- 15 EASTER 4
That we may know the care of the Good Shepherd
- 16 The Ward of Christ in Glory, Aldwick
- 17 The Ward of Corpus & Sanguis Christi, Bexhill
- 18 The Ward The Annunciation, Brighton
- 19 The Ward of S Saviour & S Peter, Eastbourne
- 20 Forward in Faith
- 21 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 22 EASTER 5
That we may be made new in Christ
- 23 The Ward of The Transfiguration, Haywards Heath
- 24 The Ward of The Precious Blood, Horsham
- 25 The Ward of S Anne, Hove
- 26 The Ward of SS Mary & Nicolas, Lancing College
- 27 The Ward of Our Lady of Littlehampton
- 28 My Ward — its Superior and Members
- 29 EASTER 6
That we may share God's Spirit of love
- 30 The Anima Christi Ward, St Leonards on Sea
- 31 The Visitation — The Society of Mary



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We also welcome photographs of any recent CBS related activities – please send all contributions to the Secretary-General at the address left.

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