



CBS

June - August 2007

QUARTERLY

The Superior-General writes...

Caister at Pakefield

There is something truly wonderful about 500 people in an hour's silent devotion before the Blessed Sacrament! No words could explain just how special it is: it has to be experienced first hand. That experience was made possible once again at the 'Caister at Pakefield' Retreat. Not only from a CBS point of view, but also a Catholic Christian point of view, I reckon that that is one of the best things to come out of the Caister/Pakefield experience. And we must never be surprised about the effects that the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament can have. The real worry is when we stop expecting! It was Padre Pio who said that if you expect great things of God, you'll get great things; if you expect nothing, that's just what you'll get! .



THE SUPERIOR GENERAL WRITES

I have come across many people who have been converted to the Gospel through Exposition and Benediction. Indeed in my last parish someone came into church one Sunday during Benediction after Evening Prayer. He can pin-point that as the moment he knew the Gospel was true! It is a sadness that fewer and fewer parishes have Sunday Evening worship: maybe we should consider another weekly slot for Benediction – how about Thursdays?

The Annual Festival

The Festival this year will be on our usual date of the Saturday following Corpus et Sanguis Christi, 9 June, at S Alban's Holborn. There will be some slight changes to the running order of the day to incorporate an extended period of Exposition and Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. Mass is at 12noon, followed by lunch, presentations, Exposition, Procession and Benediction, and Tea.

The Mass will be as usual and I have invited Fr Tim Bugby, the former Superior-General, to give the Homily. This year lunch will be provided, so don't worry about bringing sandwiches or panicking about which is the nearest pub to serve lunch in the time available! I hope that as many as possible will stay for lunch in the S Alban's Centre. To be able to be together in worship is important, and to be able to just 'be'

together is important too!

Much of our grant making work is only able to be known through this CBSQ, so I have invited a number of our grant recipients to come and tell us of the work that has been made possible through our sponsorship. I think it important too that Associates should be aware of the work that we are able to support. I hope that those who have benefited as grant recipients will want to come and be part of the Festival—perhaps by way of gratitude, but more importantly to celebrate CBS and make it a real Festival! Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will then follow with an extended time of adoration (that is what we are about); then the usual procession of the Host. Don't dress up - be proud of being laymen if you are laymen, there's no need to pretend to be pseudo clergy! But bring your banners—parish banners, Corpus Christi Banners and CBS banners are all welcome. Then we'll receive Jesus' blessing in Benediction, all followed by a refreshing 'cup of tea and a digestive'.

And why not bring a friend: invite someone from your parish who might not normally go to something like this!

*Fr Christopher Pearson SSC
Superior-General*



CBS National Festival 2007

Saturday 9th June

S Alban's Church, Brooke Street,
Holborn, London EC1

Underground: Chancery Lane

12 noon ~ SOLEMN CONCELEBRATED MASS

1.00pm ~ LUNCH (*provided*)

2.30pm ~ ANNUAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATES

3.00pm ~ EXPOSITION, OUTDOOR PROCESSION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION

followed by tea

***Priests Associate are invited to concelebrate;
please notify before the day:***

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Preacher: Fr Timothy Bugby

VESTMENTS FOR CONCELEBRATION

CBS has 20 sets of vestments in white, red and purple that can be borrowed for a fee of £1 per vestment. Applications for their use must be made to the Superior-General. The vestments are kept in South London, and must be collected and returned there by the borrower.

EAT THIS BREAD

No single host is perfect, nor like any other. There are speckled ones, flawed and chipped ones, dark ones. Some are thick, others thin. There are rough bits and excrescences and cracks. A picture of the Church, but when we arrive at the sanctuary, they are not scorned as rejects. Christ graciously accepts them and turns them into his Body'. (The Carmelite author Ruth Burrows, writing of the hosts made in her Community and used at Mass).

A very meaningful project for an Orthodox Christian family is to bake the loaf of altar bread (prosfora) for the Liturgy. But the Orthodox use yeast in preparing the altar bread, while we in the West use unleavened bread. It is not possible for the average family in the West to provide the unleavened bread for the Liturgy, so we at St Michael's Ecclesiastical Bakery count it a great honour and privilege to be in a position to supply altar bread to a number of churches.

When I was inducted into the parish of S Michael & All Angels, Maidstone by Abp Michael Ramsey in 1972, our bread for the Liturgy was provided by the Sisters of St Margaret's Convent in East Grinstead. In 1980 my sacristan received a note from the Community that they were to give up their bakery and would no longer produce altar bread. I suggested that we make an offer for the equipment and do the baking ourselves. The brethren at Alton Abbey got in first and had the pick of the paraphernalia, but there remained a gas-fired Victorian baking iron, a locally made cutting machine, and a hand cutter for the larger hosts for the priest. We purchased these and set about setting up our bakery in the Vicarage basement, gathering together a group of enthusiastic faithful and so began by trial and error, mixing the dough from plain flour and water, baking, cutting and packing.

The group of volunteers grew in number and expertise, and gradually we were producing more than we needed for our own use and were able to supply some local churches. As one of our number had been a sister in a hospital in the Diocese of Lake Malawi, we were able to send regular parcels to a priest there. Bp Peter Nyanja stayed in my vicarage after the 1988 Lambeth Conference and mentioned that although they were grateful for our help, it had the effect of making the priest dependent and it would be kinder to provide a fishing rod than a fish. So we began to save and in 1991 with considerable help from CBS we purchased modern bakery equipment from a German manufacturer and sent out over £4,000 worth of goods. This made the priest self-sufficient and incidentally provided an income for the bishop's wife, who organized the Bakery in Malawi.

As our reputation grew and as religious communities gave up baking, we took on more parishes, which put a strain on our limited facilities. The All Saints Sisters in Oxford offered me electric equipment and I bought two waffle-type American plates from them which have been in constant use until last year, when one element burned out and it proved impossible to obtain spare parts. I then purchased new host-baking equipment from the German company, Kissing, and this is proving most satisfactory. I am grateful to the Confraternity for providing a substantial grant to enable me to obtain an electric host-cutting machine and ancillary equipment.

At present we supply more than 20 churches and two convents. The bakers, cutters, quality controllers, home-working counters and packers count it a privilege to be involved in the production of altar breads, knowing that the hosts, when consecrated, will be the means of communicating the faithful with the Body of Christ.

Fr Paul Gibbons SSC

RECENT GRANTS

Aberporth (St Davids), S Cynwyl (Fr John G Matthews): *Aumbry and ciborium*
Chapel St Leonards (Lincoln), S Leonard, and Hogsthorpe, S Mary (Fr Edward Martin):

Ciboria and vestments

Prittlewell (Chelmsford), S Luke (Fr James McCluskey): *Tabernacle and ciborium*

The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham (Fr Philip North): *Grant of £20,000 over two years towards the Youth Pilgrimage for the celebration of the Eucharist.*

Plymouth (Exeter), S Peter (Fr Sam Philpott): *Exceptional grant of £10,000 towards new altar and tabernacle plinth in view of this church's historic role in the Catholic Revival.*

The Bishop of Ebbsfleet: *Grant of £3,500 towards costs of annual Children's Eucharistic Festival.*

The Society of Mary: *Grant of £200 towards reprinting costs of 'God and Me' educational material for Key Stages 3-4.*

All Saints Margaret Street (London) (Fr Ivan Aquilina, curate): *Grant of £250 towards costs of ecumenical event 'There's Something About Mary'.*



Fr Edward Martin of Chapel St Leonards (Lincoln), S Leonard, and Hogsthorpe, S Mary with their new ciboria and vestments.

NEWS FROM THE WARDS

New District Superior
District 8 (Ely, Norwich, Peterborough, St Edmundsbury & Ipswich): *Fr James Mather*

New Name for Ward
Stock, S John Vianney, *now* Mid-Essex, S John Vianney

New Priests Associate
Fr Matthew Peat
Fr Paul Seaman
Fr Robert Beaken

THE OBJECTS

The Confraternity exists for the advancement of the catholic faith in the Anglican Tradition and in particular to promote:

- ✚ The honour due to Jesus Christ our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament of his Body and
- ✚ prayer for one another at the Eucharist,
- ✚ careful preparation for and reception of Holy Communion, including the Eucharistic fast,
- ✚ the reverent and dignified celebration of the Eucharist and the reservation and veneration of the Blessed Sacrament,
- ✚ the continuance of the catholic priesthood, and
- ✚ catholic theological teaching, learning and development.

THE RULES

- ✚ To take part in the celebration of the Eucharist on all Sundays, greater festivals and holy days whenever possible;
- ✚ To promote the reverent celebration of the Eucharist as the Church's daily offering;
- ✚ To make special intercessions as set out in the Intercessions Paper.

THE OFFICERS

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Please send to the Secretary-General: completed application forms, Gift Aid forms, subscriptions, changes of address, changes in ward officers, names of recently departed Associates.

Associates may obtain CBS Medals (£2), Manuals (£2), Constitutions (£2) and Lapel Badges (£2) from the Secretary-General. Payment includes postage and must accompany order.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Perhaps you would like to contribute to the publication with news of events or articles relating to what is happening in your Ward? We welcome photographs of any recent CBS related activities - please send all information to the Secretary General at the address on the previous page.

Material for the next edition must be received by 15 July 2007

DAILY CONFRATERNITY 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.

JUNE

- 1 S Justin – *Martyrs of our own time*
- 2 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 3 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
Thanksgiving for God's self-revelation
- 4 The Ward of the Good Shepherd, Guildford
- 5 The Ward of S Stephen the Martyr, North Portsmouth
- 6 The Corpus Christi Ward, Portsmouth
- 7 **CORPUS CHRISTI**
Thanksgiving for the Blessed Sacrament
- 8 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 9 The CBS National Festival
- 10 **10TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 1)**
Thanksgiving for new life in Christ
- 11 S Barnabas – *The College of S Barnabas, Lingfield*
- 12 The Ward of the Stigmata, Bournemouth
- 13 The Ward of S Michel du Valle, Guernsey
- 14 The Ward of S Lucien Tapiedi & the New Guinea Martyrs, Maryborough
- 15 **THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**
That all hearts may be open to receive his love
- 16 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 17 **11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 2)**
That we know Christ's forgiveness
- 18 The Ward of Blessed Mary McKillop & S Benedict, Melbourne
- 19 The Ward of S Mary, Melbourne
- 20 The Ward of S Margaret, Montreal
- 21 The Catholic League
- 22 The Ward of S Michael & All Angels, Winnipeg
- 23 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 24 **THE BIRTH OF S JOHN THE BAPTIST**
That we may rejoice in the Lord's presence
- 25 The Ward of S Michael, Bath
- 26 The Church Union
- 27 The Ward of All Saints with S Saviour, Weston super Mare
- 28 Fr Chris Pearson, our Superior-General
- 29 **SS PETER & PAUL** – *Those to be ordained*
- 30 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*

JULY

- 1 **13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 4)**
That we may remain faithful servants of Christ
- 2 The Ward of S Gregory & S Augustine, Bristol
- 3 S Thomas the Apostle –
That all may acknowledge our Lord and God
- 4 The Ward of S Thomas, Birmingham
- 5 My parish and its priest(s)
- 6 The Ward of The Holy Family, Leamington Spa
- 7 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 8 **14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 5)**
That we may know the peace of Christ
- 9 The Ward of S Faith, Bradford
- 10 The Ward of S Wilfrid, Leeds
- 11 S Benedict – *All Religious*
- 12 The Federation of Catholic Priests
- 13 The Ward of The Sacred Heart, Thornhill Lees
- 14 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 15 **15TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 6)**
Thanksgiving that the Lord is close to us
- 16 The Ward of S Herbert, Carlisle
- 17 The Ward of The Precious Blood, Durham
- 18 Fr Alan Cross, our Treasurer-General
- 19 The Ward of S Benedict, Blyth
- 20 The Ward of S Peter, Folkestone
- 21 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 22 **16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 7)**
That we may know Jesus as our Friend and welcome him
- 23 S Brigid – *The Society of S Brigid in Sweden*
- 24 Fr Lawson Nagel, our Secretary-General
- 25 S James the Apostle – *Pilgrims*
- 26 SS Joachim & Anne – *Our own parents*
- 27 The Ward of The Annunciation, Chislehurst
- 28 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 29 **17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 8)**
Joy that Christ has made us children of God
- 30 The Ward of The Transfiguration, Sevenoaks
- 31 S Ignatius Loyola –
That we may serve God as he deserves

INTERCESSIONS

AUGUST

- 1 The Ward of Christ the King & Stella Maris, Blackpool
- 2 Forward in Faith
- 3 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 4 S John Vianney – *Parish priests*
- 5 **18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 9)**
That our thoughts may be on the things of heaven
- 6 The Transfiguration – *That we may listen to God's Son*
- 7 The American CBS
- 8 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 9 S Teresa Benedicta – *Victims of persecution*
- 10 S Laurence – *Deacons*
- 11 S Clare – *Franciscan sisters*
- 12 **19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 10)**
That we may be faithful stewards
- 13 The Ward of The Protomartyr, Blackpool
- 14 The CBS Trustees
- 15 THE ASSUMPTION – *The Society of Mary*
- 16 The Ward of SS Werburg & Winifred,
Wirral & N Wales
- 17 The Ward of S Agnes, Liverpool
- 18 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 19 **20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 11)**
That we may be filled with zeal for the Gospel
- 20 The Ward of The Precious Blood, Southport
- 21 Isolated Associates on the Secretary-General's List
- 22 The Ward of The Precious Blood,
Swinton & Pendlebury
- 23 The Guild of All Souls
- 24 S Bartholomew – *Bishops*
- 25 My Ward – *its Superior and Members*
- 26 **21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Trinity 12)**
That we may submit to Christ's loving rule
- 27 S Monica – *Mothers of wayward children*
- 28 S Augustine – *Teachers of the Faith*
- 29 The Beheading of S John Baptist –
The Order of St John and its charitable foundations
- 30 The Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary
- 31 The Society of the Holy Cross (SSC)



R.I.P.

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

Clergy

- † Kenneth Wigston
- † Keith Catchpole
- † Lewis Hollowood
- † Wilfred Varney
- † John Haigh

Laity

- † Marion Horne
- † Joan Brown
- † Violet Joynes
- † Jose Blasdale-Holmes
- † Joyce Allen
- † Margaret Webb-Bowen
- † Violet Case
- † Joan Bartholomew
- † Joyce Winspear
- † Winifred Bedford
- † Keith Hutchings