

Congratulations to Revd Bob Stephens ordained priest on Saturday 2nd July . It was a lovely service and the Bishop spoke about all listening during the service to hear if God is calling us.

Bob answered that call and to see his face and feel his hug after the service was very special.

In all that we do we are serving God but sometimes he calls us to walk a different path to the one we know, take time to listen, take time to be still and in these days of summer make space to take stock of where you are in your walk.

THE DEVILS BEATITUDES

Blessed are those who are too tired, busy or disorganised to meet with their fellow Christians on Sunday each week – they are my best workers.

Blessed are they who enjoy noticing the mannerisms of clergy choir and stewards – I can see their heart is not in it.

Blessed are the Christians who wait to be asked and expect to be thanked – I can use them.

Blessed are the touchy – with a bit of luck they can even stop going to church.

Blessed are they who keep themselves and their time and money to themselves – they are my missionaries.

Blessed are they who claim to love their God at the same time as hating other people – they are mine for ever.

Blessed are they who have no time to pray – they are easy prey to me.

Blessed are you when you read this and think it's about other people and not about yourself – I've got you.

Folks we have so much to share with each other so please send me poems, or snippets you've read or books that have made you think or smile and I'm even happy to add a joke or two so what are you waiting for?

Southwell and Nottingham Anglican Cursillo



NEWSLETTER -4 July 2011

Good and gracious God
Grant to our eyes wide horizons
Increase our vision to see
Beyond the obvious and into the depths
Let us walk ways that are new
Where we do not know the destination
Let us journey in joy and hope
Among so many troubles and dangers
Surround us with your protection and peace
May we know that heaven and earth are one
That nothing separates us from you
And your abiding love in Christ Jesus
David Adam

To get the Address Book as up to date as possible please ask for Data Protection forms from June Allitt and the closing date for new names is the **31st July 2011.**

Thank you to all who have returned forms please continue to send them out to those we seem to have lost contact with.

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Dates you need to know

Weekends for 2011

Thursday 17th November- Sunday 20th November 2011

National Ultreya

Saturday September 3rd at Lincoln.

for more information go to
www.lincolncursillo.org.uk

This is always a full day but you can go either to the morning or afternoon session or as some are doing stay over night.

Ultreya's

Friday 7th October Holy Trinity Southwell 7:30pm
Contact: Jenny Williams 01636 816507

September is the National

BUT if you feel you could organise an Ultreya in August or September please let Jan Dewhirst know.

How long is it since you had an Ultreya in your church? Could you organise one?

You would not be alone in getting it off the ground.

Please contact June or Jan for more information

Prayer Chain

The prayer chain continues, but it is always good to let us have updates of the progress of people you have named.

if you have a prayer request contact June.

Also if you consider this a ministry you would enjoy being a part of again please contact June

BACC NEWS

The next meeting this year is Saturday 5th November in Coventry

Job Vacancies

Secretariat – needs
a BACC representative
an Archivist
a Publicist

- please pray about these posts and if God is calling you to serve -please contact June.

As you can see on the job vacancies there is no longer a request for a secretary, thanks be Merilynne Popple has agreed to undertake this role. When June and I were told we actually danced!!

The story of Four People

This is the story of four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done, and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Dear Cursillistas

Southwell and Nottingham Cursillo have just returned from their 1st retreat. For the occasion we went to Bawtry Hall where our Cursillo weekends are held. It had been 18 months since it was 1st mentioned at the AGM in November 2009. The weekend was based on John 15 v 1- 17 "you are the vine we are the branches ". The session's and there were 6 in total were based on Cursillo in this Diocese. What are our strengths, what are our weaknesses,

Where are we going, how much does Cursillo mean to us and how does it fit into our lives. The emphasis on the weekend was fellowship, friendship and spirituality which we had in abundance. We even had the pantomime Cinderella - lots of fun and laughter.

Time out with our Lord and with each other proved to be a very worthwhile weekend. If you know anyone who went ask them about the weekend I'm sure they will talk to you about it.

Let's pray that we go forward in love and faith.

Ultreya June

Readers Corner

Over the weekend a number of people read The Visit by Adrian Plass all enjoyed this book and it is currently being passed around.

A few weeks ago a friend returned a book she had borrowed over three years ago it was like greeting a lost friend. Do you have books that you have read over and over again, please send some titles in so we too can read and enjoy.

Next year in May we will be holding our 70th weekend. This is something special and we want to celebrate what Southwell & Nottingham have done, so any ideas for celebration are welcome. As always get in touch with June or Jan