



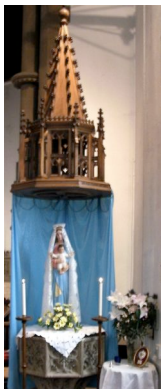
# The Word

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary  
CHAPTER OF THE INCARNATE WORD  
WITH ST ALBAN AND ST EDWARD



AUTUMN 2009

## Festival of Mary, Noon, Saturday 16 May



The new statue of Our Lady of Hanworth at S George's was reverentially dedicated by Bishop Robert Mercer during a Solemn High Mass (setting *Missa Cum Iubilo*). Chapter members were joined by Guild members from as far away as Brighton. A testimony of the power of Mary to bring all her children together was the presence of Fr Lawrence Lew and Fr Robert Verrill from the Dominicans (Order of Preachers) Blackfriars, Oxford who gave the sermons (morning & afternoon respectively). After a convivial lunch in the hall, there was a joyful procession of the new statue around the

perimeter of the church grounds - everyone lustily singing Marian hymns - and benediction in latin. *(A big thank you to Chris O'Neill who stepped in as organist at the last moment and to Fr Martin Hislop for the loan of a litter from St Luke's).*

## SS Peter & Paul, Monday 29 June

St Paul's Nork celebrated their patron saint at a high mass jointly planned with the Chapter. The Chapter provided the Order of Service booklets marking the Apostles' feast and the end of the Pauline year. Fr Damian (the celebrant and parish priest) was joined by Fr Anthony Murley and Emmerson Torres-Bautista as deacon and sub-deacon respectively (both members of the chapter). Chapter members slotted around the existing servers to provide a crucifer, banner bearer and torches. 10 Chapter members in total attended. While the service was not flawless, it was dignified, eastward facing and much appreciated by the congregation and choir.

## S Benedict's Day, Alton Abbey, Sat 11 July

The Chapter recently joined as a life group member of the Friends of Alton Abbey. Because of demand for places, we were asked to restrict our numbers to 10, which we did. A minibus was arranged for 9am from S James' Malden, yours truly driving. Everyone was on time and we arrived at the Abbey just after 10am. This gave us all plenty of time to look around the Abbey, shop at the various stalls (one of which had works from a convent in Belorussia) and ensure they had a good seat in the church for the service at 11.30am. The liturgy was a little slow and dreary for a celebration of S Benedict's life and rule. Following the service (and a rather long delay before the Abbot said grace), food and wine was provided for luncheon.

On the way back, we met up with another group at The Poacher pub in South Warnborough and had our own celebration, which balanced the day nicely.

## S Peter's, 518 Walton Road, West Molesey Wednesday 7 October



It is some 11 years since the Chapter last visited S Peter's in West Molesey, so let's put on a good show. No robes needed. Directions, follow the road down opposite Hampton Court station.

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### For Guild events see The Server

#### Forthcoming Chapter events

Monday 7 September, 7.30pm  
St Mary, Walton ((KT12 2QS)  
Guild Office

Wednesday 7 October, 7.00pm  
S Peter, W Molesey (KT8 2QF)  
Our Lady of the Rosary, Mass & Rosary

Saturday 31st October 2009, Noon  
S Nicolas, Guildford (GU2 4AW)  
2009 Guild Autumn Festival  
(hosted by our Chapter – so do clear your diary)

Tuesday 17 November, 7.30pm  
All Saints, South Wimbledon (SW19 1BU)  
Requiem Mass

## Relics of St Thérèse de Lisieux 12-14 October, Westminster Cathedral

St Thérèse's relics are visiting England later this year and will be on display at Westminster Cathedral, London (SW1P 1QH) from Monday 12 to Wednesday 14 October inclusive. For more details tel. 020 7798 9055 or see [www.westminstercathedral.org.uk](http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk).

**Please pray for:** the repose of Grand Councillor Fred Palmer

**Please also pray for:** Sister Penny Davies who has recently moved back to Wales