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2021 Digital only NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Broughton Society's Newsletter which includes Membership Info and booking form for our **Christmas Lunch on 12 December 2021.**

This is a Digital only Newsletter of limited distribution (email & Internet) due to publishing costs and timescale, so the Board has asked if BCCS Members could help circulate it amongst those who may not be able to receive it via email etc.

It has been a very difficult 18 months for all of us, and sadly we have lost some of our members and Priest-Members over this time. While we have not been able to have any Social Functions, we have been continuing to fulfil our Alms Giving and Spiritual Benefits during this time. Grateful thanks are offered to our current President (David Tetlow) and all Board Members who agreed to remain in post during this time.

Further details of our Alms Giving can be found in the centre pages and more in depth reports and photos will appear in the 2022 Newsletter.

Appeal!

Unfortunately, due to limited contact, less than 10% of Members have paid their Membership fees and made donations.

Your Society would be very grateful, if you have missed any Membership Subscriptions/donations, that you take advantage of the enclosed Forms to get up to date, and allow us to continue the important Alms Giving function of the Society.

Please support your Society!

Please keep and use these Booklets to book in for future events, producing one combined Newsletter per year will save the Society over £1,200 which will go towards Alms Giving.

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MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2020/21 & 2021/22 ARE NOW OVERDUE FROM ALL EXCEPT PRIESTS* AND LIFE-MEMBERS*

Membership is open to **any person** who subscribes to the Roman Catholic Faith and who was born in or has resided in the Diocese of Lancaster, Liverpool, Salford, Shrewsbury or of parentage in a member diocese.

Fees

On admission to the Society, members shall pay a subscription as follows:

Under 18 - Free,

18 & Over - Annual Subscription of £10.00 + almsgiving donation

*Life Membership - £200 + regular Donations appreciated.

*ALL MEMBERS AND LIFE-MEMBERS WHO CAN AFFORD TO DO SO ARE ASKED TO ADD A DONATION TO THEIR SUBSCRIPTION IN ORDER TO AUGMENT OUR ALMSGIVING

The Board of Management will review the subscription fees annually for approval by the members at the AGM.

Please enclose a cheque payable to 'Broughton Catholic Charitable Society' for the total amount and Send to our Treasurer Tim Haley at the address below the Form (If you require a receipt please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your Subscription/Donation)

Wills and Legacies

The Society has been helped over many years by the very kind donations in Wills and Legacies. The Broughton Catholic Charitable Society would be very grateful if members would remember the Society when they come to review their Wills and Legacies, please speak to the Secretary or a Member of the Board if you can help.

Paying by Standing Orders

All members of the Society have been allocated a Membership Number, which should be shown on the address label on this Newsletter, or contact Secretary. If you would like to set up a standing order to pay your Subscription and/or donation the information is as follows: NatWest Bank, Sort Code: 01-01-35 Account: 04010523 please use your Membership Number followed by the first three letters of your surname e.g. Ref: 3667Van so you can be identified.

NEW MEMBER/SUBSCRIPTIONS/DONATIONS:

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Alms Giving

Relief of Hardship 5 year Framework

Following the 2019 AGM, The Society agreed to a Relief of Hardship Framework which undertook to fund several Charitable Causes with annual grants over a 5 year period.

The following Causes have been identified and funding is ongoing:

<u>Chorley Help the Homeless</u> This Charity provides for the relief of poverty amongst homeless and former homeless persons within the Borough of Chorley who are in conditions of need, hardship and distress.

They currently provide a day time drop in facility 4 days a week from 'Dorothy House' Chorley centre. Benefits, debt relief and homelessness prevention advice on Mondays and Thursdays, housing advice, advocacy and referrals to those who come to us for help, Monthly 'walk in' food parcels, clothing, toiletries and essential household items

BCCS has granted £4,000 in 2019 and £4,000 in 2020 which is going towards undertaking additional training and development of staff, volunteers and advisors. In addition they would look to recruit additional specialist volunteers to increase frontline 'drop in' counselling and housing support services.

ACE Project Assisted Community Engagement Project has delivered an offender resettlement project for over 15 years. Individuals referred to the Project have life histories of deprivation, poor educational attainment and frequently a history of being in care. This is reinforced by addiction, poor mental health and incarceration. The process of recovery is often difficult as individuals have to address long standing habitual thinking and behaviour patterns, and relapse is common.

BCCS has granted £4,000 in 2019 and £4,000 in 2020 which is going towards helping vulnerable individuals being supported by the ACE Project that have multiple issues and with no financial, family, or other support. The majority have been through the care system, and many have dual diagnoses for mental health and addiction. They are often the most difficult to help, as they don't fit into any single criteria for support.

YMCA Harbour House (Lytham) provides temporary accommodation in 12 self-contained flats for young people aged 16 to 21 and occasionally aged 25. This can be for a period of up to two years but those in low priority may only be eligible to stay for a maximum period of 56 days. Whilst in accommodation they are supported in several ways including support to find employment, access to training and education, cookery sessions and healthy eating. They have limited PC equipment and more and more of the application process for jobs and social housing must be carried out online.

for 2020-21

BCCS has granted £4,000 in 2019 and £4,000 in 2020 to help fund additional PC's to help with applying for jobs & benefits etc. A core part of their needs would, given our support, be used to further help individuals who upon having to leave Harbour House, would then be able to make a start in life. Where someone has not received any support from the local authorities prior to coming to Harbour House, they receive no Financial support upon leaving. This is where Harbour House step in. Young people find they must leave home where there has been a breakdown because of circumstances in the home. Often this is as a result of a new Stepfather moving into the family home.

Bolton Young Parents Project provide invaluable support to those young girls who find themselves in desperate circumstances, due to poverty, homelessness, violence or alcohol and drug abuse at the already quite daunting time of becoming a new mum. Bolton girls referred to them can be as young as 16. Pregnant with no family network, and often no option but to sleep rough on the streets of Bolton; life has not been easy for these soon-to-be mothers. **BCCS has granted £4,000 in 2020** with a view to continue funding over a 5 year period.

Single Grants made during 2020-21

<u>Salford Loaves and Fishes</u> received a grant of £4,000 in October 2020 to help support Homelessness and people in need in and around Salford. The aim is to offer users a warm and safe environment and offer services including food - clothing - washing facilities - toiletries - showers - GP Service - dental Service and Citizen Advice Bureau during the pandemic and lockdown.

<u>Heywood Food Bank</u> received a grant of £3,000 in December 2020 to help with the urgent needs of its users during lockdown and in the run up to Winter and the Christmas period.

Read Easy Wythenshawe received a further grant of £500 in August 2021. This helped to teach adults to read, an urgent need which became very apparent during lockdown and home teaching - Johnathan recently graduated from the programme and he says "In quite a lot of ways I can now help my children with certain things like school work that I couldn't do before. I used to sit there when the kids wanted to read a book, not being able to help. Now I can actually help them with their reading.

Sadly <u>CAMEO-Aid</u> who we supported in 2018 with a £5,000 grant to successfully sink a Well in Mbirizi, Uganda has closed down due to Covid19 and not being able to attract new Trustees and Volunteers.

<u>Iraqi Refugees in Jordan - Rafedin Project</u> have sadly returned a £2,000 grant made in 2019, they were unable to implement the project due to major political issues in the Country.

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To our Priest Members...

From Lancaster, Salford and Shrewsbury Diocese and Liverpool Archdiocese (the old County of Lancashire)

Please may I remind you of the Mass to be said on or about the Commemoration of All Souls for all the deceased members of the Society, especially for all those mentioned on the obituaries page. Our Priest-Members may be aware that, unless we are informed that you are unable to say Masses for recently deceased Members, we will continue to send Mass requests (including stipend cheques) to you on a rotational basis.

We would like to welcome: Rev Fr Mark Harold (Salford Diocese) to the Board of Management, Fr Mark replaces Mgr John Daly who has taken up a secondment to Norway.

2 Priest Member Vacancies exist on the Board of Management for Liverpool Archdiocese, we meet approx. 4 times a year at Garstang Golf Club. If you feel you could be of service to the Society, please contact the Secretary to discuss further.

DO PLEASE TRY TO ENROL YOUR YOUNGER BRETHEREN IN THE SOCIETY. At present we have 180 Priest-Members. Some older priests, however, are no longer able to celebrate Mass.

PRIEST MEMBERS JUBILEES DURING 2020 and 2021

We offer our warmest congratulations to all Priest-Members who celebrate their jubilees of Priesthood this year.

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COULD YOU ADVERTISE HERE!

Each of these Newsletters cost over £1 to print and post for each member, we have over 1000 members!

Members and Businesses are welcome to either sponsor a page or place an advertisement in our Annual Newsletters.



Broughton Society's Christmas Lunch

ALL PRIEST MEMBERS, LAY MEMBERS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT

GARSTANG COUNTRY HOTEL & GOLF CLUB GARSTANG ROAD, BOWGREAVE, GARSTANG
ON



SUNDAY, 12TH DECEMBER 2021

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(COMMENCING 12.30PM FOR 1.00PM)

As in previous years, the meal will be a traditional Christmas Lunch with a glass of wine and festive entertainment, the cost of which will be £21.50p per head (£8.00p for children under 10 years of age). In order to ease the administration burden, members and guests are requested to book and pay for lunches prior to the date of the function. The names of those people wishing to attend are also required in order to assist with the seating arrangements.

In order to avoid disappointment, please book by completing and returning the booking form below to our Treasurer Mr Tim Haley by **Wednesday 1st December 2021**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2021 BOOKING FORM

I wish to reserve	Christmas Lunch(es) at £21.50 each	. I enclose a
cheque for £	Payable to Broughton Catholic Charit	able Society
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On Behalf of the Sons of Divine Providence Missions:

Mr. Joseph Tipping will again be selling his bulbs and accepting donations at the Christmas lunch. In 2019 Joseph raised £274.00 for the poor children in Kenya, India and Philippines! Pease support this very worthy cause. *Olive Wood Cribs:* The beautiful wooden cribs, cards and other gifts made by the

craftsmen and women in villages around Bethlehem will hopefully be on sale.





OBITUARIES

Your prayers are requested for the all deceased Members whose deaths have been reported since the publication of the last Newsletter. Details of which will be printed in the 2022 Annual Newsletter

It is with sadness that we report the death of BCCS Board Member Rev Fr Peter Fox of Liverpool Archdiocese.

> Each Priest Member has been requested to offer Mass for all the deceased Members of the Society, on or about the Commemoration of All Souls.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

If you know of any other person who has died in the past year whom you believe to be a Member of the Society, please inform the Secretary.





NEW MEMBERS OF THE BROUGHTON SOCIETY

We welcome all new members and new life members who have joined the Society since the publication of the 2019 Whitsun Newsletter and New Life Members - Full details will be printed in the 2022 Annual Newsletter