FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOLARSHIPS

The St Francis Xavier Award is a new scholarship being awarded for entry to Stonyhurst. These awards are available at 11+ and 13+ for up to 10 students who, in the opinion of the selection panel, are most likely to benefit from, and contribute to, life as full boarders in a Catholic boarding school. Assessments for the awards comprise written examinations and one or more interviews.

Applicants for the award are expected to be bright pupils who will fully participate in all aspects of boarding school life here at Stonyhurst. St Francis Xavier Award holders will automatically benefit from a fee remission of 20% and thereafter may also apply for a means-tested bursary, worth up to a further 50% off the full boarding fees.

The award is intended to foster the virtues of belief, ambition and hard work which Francis Xavier exemplified in pushing out the boundaries of the Christian faith. We believe that a Stonyhurst education can give young people a chance to emulate St Francis and become tenacious pioneers for the modern world.

If you have a child or know of a child who would be a potential St Francis Xavier candidate in 2011 then please do get in touch with our admissions department on 01254 827073/93 or email them at admissions@stonyhurst.ac.uk.

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If you are interested in supporting Toby in this enterprise, his email address is: tobyclements@hotmail.com

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Above: Daniel O’Byrne OS 92 - 2000 married Miss Lulu Cane at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street on 8th January, 2011. The Mass was said by Fr James Campbell SJ. Daniel’s brother William O’Byrne OS 98 - 09 was Best Man and other OS present were Emily Bidwell OS 98 - 2000, Andrew Brinkley OS 92 - 2000, Mathew Glendon-Doyles OS 95 - 2000 and Andrew Noyora OS 95 - 2000.

Above: Daniel Eley OS 95 - 00 married Seona Nes on Northamptonshire on 28 May, 2011. The Best Man was Marcel Dixon OS 95 - 00 and the Usher Andrew Van Terheyden OS 95 - 00. Others present included: Michael Slater, Daniel Calvert, Sami Lwazwa, Daniel Mackenzie, James Martin, Tom Mulberge, all OS 95 - 2000, and Daniel O’Gorman OS 95 - 98.


Above: Dr Caroline Ashton OS 98-05 married Dr Gualuma Launey at St Francis Church, Gosnargh, Preston on 40th June 2011. Others in attendance included Gillian Ashton OS 00-07, Paul Jackson OS 03-05, Sonia Gunther OS 03-04, Alexander Warner OS 00-07, Frances Warner OS 00-08 and Dr Tim Warner from the College.

Above: Richard Jallicco OS 69 - 72 married Lynne Dobson on July 2nd at St Edmund’s Church, Southwell.

Below: The marriage of Captain Henry Jake Russell-Blackburn OS 98 - 03 and Miss Gillian Weeks (Rydal) took place on 5th November at St Michael’s Church, Whitwell with reception afterwards at the ‘Inn at Whitewell’. The Best Man was Carl Cimpanosa OS 98 - 03. Nicholas Hanon OS 98 - 03 acted as witness and many other OS were also there with Aloysius Connelly OS 98 - 03 of the Royal Gurkha Rifles as a member of the Guard of Honour.

Above: Patrick Hough OS 90 - 92. On Saturday, July 9th, Fr Patrick Hough SJ celebrated a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving for his ordination to the priesthood in the Boys’ Chapel. His priestly ordination took place on June 4th in the Jesuit Church of the Holy Name of Jesus, New Orleans, USA along with three other Jesuits. The great
festival Mass that took place at Stonyhurst was truly a sight to behold. There were fourteen concelebrants including five OS priests who were all vested in Stonyhurst’s finest vestments for this great occasion. Fr Hough wore a chasuble which has been reserved historically, for such occasions. With many of the relics from the Collections place upon the High Altar, Mr Mann and others providing music for this High Mass, a church brimming with OS, parishioners, family and friends, it was a very moving and prayerful mass. The main intention of this mass was to remember Fr Hough’s sister, Lydia Hough, who was tragically killed in a car accident a few years ago and whose birthday would have been that day.

After the mass, there was a great banquet in the Top Refectory with music provided in the minstrel’s gallery while Fr Hough retired to the Sodality chapel to bestow his first blessing on those who so desired. This blessing proved an enormously moving part of the celebration as all those who gathered were able to meet the new priest, receive a personal greeting, a blessing and then kiss the new priest’s freshly chrismated hands, as the tradition dictates. However no celebration of such magnitude would have been quite complete without the traditional post-Stonyhurst ‘pilgrimage’ to the Bayley Arms and St Peter’s Club where intensive and lively discussions between the new priest and those gathered there, were heard late into the night.

Fr Hough is currently working in a Jesuit parish in Albuquerque, New Mexico before his next assignment in the autumn of 2012 to begin teaching in one of the Jesuit Boys’ High Schools in the New Orleans Province.

Elizabeth Rawkins (Classics) OS 02 - 07, Matthew Lambert (Classics) OS 02 - 07 and Rachel Chanter (English) OS 03 - 07 have been admitted as Associate Members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. Matthew has completed his ACA examinations and has been admitted as an Associate of the Institution of Chartered Accountants.

IN MEMORIAM

News of the deaths of the following OS has been received since the last issue of the Newsletter.

John Clifford Bradbury-Williams Associate Member

Bernard Holt Halall MC OS 32 - 37

Timothy Alistair Hetherington OS 81 - 89

Thomas Michael Cain OS 64 - 69

James Valentine Connally OS 51 - 59

Justin Iver Hall Johnston BME OS 34 - 43

Wildred King MC OS 31 - 40

Leslie Grech OS 36 - 40

John Watton Associate Member

Robert Paul Sherry OS 45 - 54

Terence John Frederick Gavaghan BME OS 34 - 40

Maj Gen John Humphrey Page CB OBE MC OS 32 - 41

Antony McCaffey OS 38 - 42

Alban Edward Courtney Wylike OS 28 - 36

Friends or relatives, who wish to write the usual obituary for the Stonyhurst Record, are invited to contact David Knight at the College (dknight@stonyhurst.ac.uk).

We also regret to announce the deaths from the wider Stonyhurst family of:

Audrey Mary Band – mother of Simon OS, Michael OS and Damon OS and wife of Peter Band OS

Fr Joe Doyle SJ

Kate Rous – wife of Anthony Eyre OS and mother of Edmund, Giles, Hewie and Elena Rous-Eyre, all OS.

May they rest in peace

Colonel Warren Fox OS 63 - 71 retired from the United States Marine Corps in which he served as a pilot in Iraq but due to the economic downturn soon found himself back in action, in this time in Afghanistan, flying reconnaissance missions as a contract pilot. He writes:

...I have been here in Kandahar over the past four months at the NATO Air Base supporting a collection of international forces including US Marines and Royal Marines. Being a retired Marine, it is especially gratifying to support both US and Royal Marines. Just a month ago we made a discovery that the Royal Marines dealt with, which turned out to be one of the larger improvised Explosive Device factories to be found in this area. Lately we have added the Zabul province to our target deck, just northeast of Kandahar and have discovered all sorts of bomb making facilities.

If what we have found has saved one life, or prevented one individual from being hurt or maimed and ensured a safe return home...then the time away from my family has been well served.

He added:

...with my formative years having been in England and at Stonyhurst, I am happy that we also support British forces in the field. The fact that it was Royal Marines meant a lot because in 1970, I went to the Royal Marines Barracks in Poole, for our two week CCF camp. I still remember, as if it were yesterday, all of us going from Euston Station to Victoria in our heavy wooden uniforms, carrying the old bolt action Lee Enfield 303 rifles. It was also when Terry Holt and I crossed his mind of finding a rabid anti-Catholic and antagonising him to the point at which, when Freddie presented him with a loaded pistol, he could be guaranteed martyrdom and an immediate place in Heaven. One of the company suggested that such a calculated act was unlikely to result in a seat in the Dress Circle of the afterlife to which Freddie replied, ‘At least it isn’t the Pit’... and that tie...Tim Gillin OS 52 - 56 infers us:

Prince Charles has been wearing a navy and gold striped tie for many years and, until reading Newsletter 302, I had always assumed that he was Honorary Colonel of the Buffs. The Oxford University Athletics Relay Team wears or wore a tie with a similar design but the Prince was at Cambridge. The possibility of confusion might have deterred some from wearing their OS tie on certain occasions but I have always worn mine securely in the knowledge that no one could ever mistake me for an athlete or a soldier.

Since taking early retirement in 1995, I’ve scarcely worn a tie at all except for weddings and funerals. I spend two and a half days a week at the Citizens Advice Bureau in my wife’s home town of Chichester to which we moved in 1994 once our sons were both at university. In my role as a volunteer adviser, I have pointed scores of clients enquiring about compensation for personal injury in the direction of the firm of solicitors of which Julian Bobak, also referred to in Issue 302 is senior partner without realising he is a fellow OS.

In the same issue, the essay on martyrdom in a modern society reminded me of a Freddie Turner anecdote. The conversation had turned to martyrdom and Freddie confessed that the possibility had crossed his mind of finding a rabid anti-Catholic and antagonising him to the point at which, when Freddie presented him with a loaded pistol, he could be guaranteed martyrdom and an immediate place in Heaven.

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I enjoyed Anthony Eyre’s history of the Octagon Press in the March 2011 issue of the Association News. There were several items that intersected with my time at Stonyhurst.

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teaching ourselves how to set type and print — it was a very painstaking process as the various fonts were incomplete and mixed together. John had more patience than I so after an afternoon or two in that tiny room in Siberia, I left him to manage the press solo. Lastly, there was a mention of Chris Pinnington, Andrew Parker and Rory Herdman in connection with the Photographic Society. I spent many hours in the dark rooms and in the top floor studio under their guidance and still enjoy photography to this day — even though the eventual merger of microprocessors and cameras has taken me out of the darkroom and stopped my fingers forever smelling of fixer solution. And, no, more freezing lino-blocks and other creepy-crawlies with fire extinguishers — but I will let Andrew and Rory expound on that.

From Jenson So, OS 04 - 08 about a visit to Vietnam

Vietnam was unveiled to me as a country mostly for its communist name, Vietnam was unveiled to me as a country famous mostly for its communist name, but also the innocuous. Such chemicals had greatly polluted the water supply and the soil. People who have ingested the contaminated food and water would also be affected, and the effects of which would be passed on to their offspring. They could be mentally, or physically disabled, and the severity of the effect varies.

After about a month’s preparation, 21 of my medical colleagues and I set off at the end of May, to a country that none of us knew much about. We were told by the Red Cross that this trip would mainly focus on the issue of humanity and the problems caused by War and Agent Orange, rather than the medical aspects.

We visited three Agent Orange centres. People at the centre were not only children, some were actually even older than us. They were sent to the centres, not only to be looked after, but also to be trained with different living skills, such as sewing and knitting. This would enable them to survive, to teach them to have the ability to feed themselves in the real world. Life there was very simple, and even more very, very, very, very, very.

The long term impact of using Agent Orange was very obvious, as many of the children were already the third generation being affected. We expected many people there to be severely disabled, like those faces in the pictures on the Internet. However, even though visually normal, and also very intelligent, with only some minor skeletal deformities.

During our stay, we helped to plant trees, paint walls, take care of the children and play with them. We knew that we couldn’t do much for them, and so we tried our best to give them what we have, and it was love and care. Their ability to strive and adapt to their situation is something that has always been kept in my mind, “to be men and women for others”.

from Carl Cimoosa OS 98 – 03 at the RWC games:

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Above: Charlie Cruz, Albert Isola, Mark Garcia, Joey Garcia, Nicky Isola and Freddie Cruz

Charles Wenner OS 63 – 71 wrote to tell us of an audition he had in Greece to which at heavy cost, he took his bicycle.

I am also cycling hundreds of kms on my Bianchi, to lose weight and have fun, with a guy called Peter Brennan who has cycled from India in three months to raise money for charity — building proper schools and libraries, for totally impoverished children in India and other third world countries so they can learn to read and dig their way out of their poverty.

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What was once called the Stonyhurst Gospel and previously on loan to the British Library, where it is regularly displayed, has now been sold to them for £9m by the Society of Jesus. It is thought to be the oldest intact book produced in Europe and was recovered from the coffin of St Cuthbert when he was eventually buried at Durham in 1104. The proceeds of the sale will be used for schools in London.

I went on a gap year to Tanzania where I worked in a rural community. The attitude and the effort that the guys displayed... lugging other people’s flooded possessions, heavy, dripping with flood water and awkward to carry. They were marvellous ambassadors for their country.

Sarah Borg Bonnici OS 97 - 99 has been invited to begin a part-time company supplying hotels with their requirements. She was, his son, at school in Arusha had become friendly with a schoolmate before.

The origin of this shirt shown in the last newsletter under ‘Bogus OS’ has been explained we think. In a letter, her father added that the local water tended to change the colour of clothes washed in it. Since the picture was taken in Malawi, we can only conclude that the shirts are one and the same and they at least are not bogus.

Joanne Munro (HOG) says:

"SHIPS THAT PASS.... OR IN A HOTEL CORRIDOR IN ATLANTA"

The Universe... and speaking of weddings. Here is Francis Rainford OS 66 - 71 (left), Honorary Consul in Arequipa, doing his patriotic duty and celebrating the first of this year’s royal weddings in Peru.

Andrew Fendos OS 78 - 86 has been in touch to say that he and his family are now settled in America, not without some difficulties from officialdom, and involved in the controversial process of ‘fracking’ oil wells to make them flow gas at commercial rates. He and his son visited Stonyhurst recently and were very impressed by what they saw.

Regrettably however, he thought on balance that it was better his lads stayed home and took the yellow bus to a good American school.

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Joseph Walker-Cousins OS 89 - 97 in Misurata, Libya, as a Stabilisation Advisor to Sir John Jenkins, the UK Special Stabilisation Envoy and two of the Transitional Council members. They are about to lay flowers at the place where Tim Hetherington OS, and his colleague Chris Hondros, were killed in April.

Phil Leonard OS 03 – 08 was in Uganda recently along with the BBC to do research into the issue of child sacrifice on behalf of Jubilee Campaign. A documentary was produced aired on BBC News and BBC World in the autumn. (The Witchdoctors’ Children which can be found online on BBC Player).

He also wrote an article for The Universe on the subject published on 23rd October explaining more about child sacrifice and why it happens. (www.jubileecampaign.co.uk)

At his university, Edinburgh, he has set up an anti-slavery society to raise awareness of this problem and help combat modern day slavery and sex trafficking.

Jamie Coulston OS 09 - 10 (front in blue and muddy boots) arrived in Bristane just as the floods hit earlier this year. He had gone for three months to play cricket, which after the first week or so was looking doubtful. The university, where they were to train and play, was flooded, but due to the amazing efforts of all concerned, managed to continue. He and some of his fellow cricketers helped with the cleanup. An official said: ‘As a local I was so impressed with the attitude and the effort that the guys displayed...lugging other people’s flooded possessions, heavy, dripping with flood water and awkward to carry. They were marvellous ambassadors for their country.’

Ian Balshaw OS 88 - 97 was best man for Mike Tindall at the second royal wedding of the year in Edinburgh. His black eye was not due to hurl-fully at the stag night or rough play on the pitch but a moped accident. What the Queen thought of it is unrecorded.

He had the wrong room and when he apologised, my daughter realised from his rather distinguished accent that he was not American and was very impressed by what they saw.

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When OS brothers Michael and Daniel McKenzie (OS 98 and OS 00) stepped onto the set of their first feature film together in May 2010, they knew that it was not only the culmination of more than a decade of hard work on behalf of their father, writer/director Peter; but it was also the beginning of a very special journey for an independent movie that is set to cause quite a stir in Hollywood.

It is about Sam Dobny, a mysterious and handsome drifter, who steps off an interstate bus and quickly becomes the talk of a small Texas town. After finding work at Leroy’s Country Blues bar, his musical talents make him a small-town star; attracting the attention of Laura, the beautiful but spoiled daughter of local doctor Cyrus Reeper.

Sam seems to always be in the right place at the right time to prevent disasters from happening in the town before he disappears as quickly as he materialized. Soon, everyone realizes that there was more to Sam than they understood, especially Cyrus and his family as the doctor’s past comes back to haunt him.

What makes Dobny so controversial is its Pro-Life stance on the issue of abortion, a subject which is still passionately debated around the world over, but especially in America...
When asked what he thought of the film, and how important it could be in the campaign against abortion across the world, Lord Alton had this to say: “Doonby is a thought provoking and clever film which raises profoundly important questions. It takes its audience by surprise, challenges them, and leaves them thinking and considering who and what we have lost; a question faced by so many who have ended the lives of an unborn child. It’s surely a debate which…cannot and should not be suppressed. Brilliant Cinema.”


This book is of local interest to Stonyhurst for the more discerning natural historians. Rodger McPhail, the celebrated wildlife artist, has had a life-long fascination with adders. He has been observing and photographing them in the Forest of Bowland for many years.


In this fine biography of John Desmond Bernal, Andrew Brown presents us with a thoroughly researched book which not only tells us about the life of Bernal but, because of his wide-ranging interests, it informs us as well about many aspects of science and world affairs in context.

Desmond and his younger brother Kevin came to Hodder for the autumn term in 1911. He appears to have been happy and at the top of his class. He then went on to Emmanuel College, Cambridge. He did not get a first but he had pursued the theory of crystal lattices in some detail and with originality and the book he submitted for the degree is devoted to the subject. To readers of the Newsletter it is well illustrated and packed with well-organised information, clearly presented and written (in English) in an easily readable style.


This book describes the adventures of the Arundells, a family which has been involved in the life of the English nation for many years of sailing ships. The story of how the Arundells came to be, and why they are of so much interest, is one that is well-documented in this book.

The Saving of an Empire – Kenneth Light

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It takes a long time for news to travel this distance and this small but select gathering took place in January 2010. They met in the bar of the Four Seasons Hotel, had dinner at Jumbo Seafood. The next day, they enjoyed a champagne brunch at the Hyatt and chilled out at the Tanglin Club.

Right: The Singapore reunion
Those attending were:
Yoji Takano OS 81 - 86, Dilhan Fernando OS 79 - 86, Jeremy Cheam OS 81 - 86, Raphael Young OS 81 - 86, Dave Fung OS 82 - 86, Vincent Wong OS 79 - 84, Tom Bidwell OS 83 - 90, Hiroshi Ishida OS 80 - 82.

London Convivium
This again took the form of a cruise down the Thames and with the calm seas and blue skies was much enjoyed by all the 85 people who came. Prayers were said by Fr Brendan O’Callaghan SJ, OS our current president, and the party were also treated to a hot buffet supper.

Rhetoric 1980 Reunion
This event took place at Stonyhurst on the weekend 8th/9th October, 2011. Those attending were: Michael Bond, Christopher Bosanquet, Jonathan Bracey-Gibbon, Giles Brand, Jay Chitnis, Christopher Clews, Roger da Curtsia, Mark Dalton, John Daly, Julian Flanagan, Albert Isola, Niall Kenny, Andrew Kirkpatrick, Donal Landers, Sean Maddox, Michael Murphy, Rory O’Connor, Simon O’Hea, Simon O’Sullivan, Andrew Perkins, Andrew Scurr, Peter Stevenson, Antony Taylor, Martin Thorpe, Simon Andrews, David Knight and Fintan O’Reilly were invited as guests to the dinner in the evening.

After a buffet lunch in the Bayley Room, they were able to enjoy watching rugby against Rossall or a tour of the Collections before going to their hotel to change for dinner.

ASSOCIATION GRANTS
The Association has certain funds available to students in higher education. These funds can be used for medical electives, for travel or to provide assistance in the case of financial hardship. In any one year only a certain amount is available, depending on the prevailing financial situation and there is a limit to the amount that can be awarded for a particular purpose. Applications for grants should be made to the Association Office, outlining the reason for the application, and giving details of income and expenditure.
Each year the weather and standard of rugby seems to get better for the Stonyhurst Association Sevens! A healthy gathering of OSs, friends and family contributed to a very sunny and enjoyable weekend visiting the College.

This year there were eight very competitive rugby teams, with the six OS sides ranging from 2003 through to the 2010 leavers, alongside two guest sides. Teams were split into two groups of four, with the top two sides in each group progressing through to the Cup. All the teams competing displayed a high standard of rugby and many of the games were decided in the dying moments.

The final was between RH03 and RH05: both sides had impressed throughout the day and deserved their places in the final. The match was a repeat of the 2008 semi-final, which RH03 won (and had not stopped reminding RH05 of ever since!)

A very physical match unfolded and both defenses worked hard to prevent any decent sevens being played. RH03 found it hard to break through the younger defence and RH05 eventually scored two well worked tries to be crowned the 2011 winners.

‘Player of the Tournament’ was awarded to Joe Notter (RH05), with Harrison Collins (RH10) picking up ‘Try of the Tournament’.

It would be great to see a few of the ‘older’ OS years assembling teams, perhaps the Rosslyn Park 7s winning sides of 1996 and 1999.

Congratulations to the College team on the way they played — they showed real élan and true Stonyhurst spirit throughout the match. Theirs was another fine display of their enthusiasm and attitude. It makes it great. Well done chaps!

FOOTBALL (FROM ROSS MACLEAN)

Despite riding into town on the back of an unbeaten four match run in this fixture, the Wanderers were mindful of the threat posed by an in-form Presentation side, who included: Chris Newton, Barney Vines, Matt Holden, Matt Porter, Chris Jackson and Jamie Heaton.

It would transpire to be quite a day for Matt Singleton, who took on the responsibility of keeping goal in the absence of Porter. The defence had an unfamiliar feel to it also with Ben Smith the only player to remain in the backline from October’s friendly between the two sides. Marc O’Neill, having impressed in midfield during that game, filled in at left back with city slickers Sam Eddy and Andy Horden forming a makeshift centre-half pairing. Skipper Rob Eatough was given a licence to roam, providing added protection to the backline whilst also supporting the attack. Charlie Lever and Declan Walsh provided width to a midfield anchored by Ross Mclean, with goal-machine Sam Williams partnering Tom Lever up front.

Following a frenetic start, the Wanderers managed a sustained period of pressure which culminated in Mclean finding the back of the net in the first move of real quality. However, the ten minutes preceding half-time saw the complexion of the match change completely. An equaliser for Stonyhurst against the run of play rocked the visitors who then conceded three goals in quick succession to go in 3-1 down at the break. Half-time afforded the Wanderers a much needed opportunity to regroup.

With Eatough’s call to arms still ringing in their ears, the visitors got the second half underway and set about their task of overturning the deficit. The Wanderers started the game well and Tom Lever pulled a goal back on the hour mark. Momentum was now very much with them and moments later Walsh angled a firm drive into the corner of the net to make it 3-3. The Wanderers sensed victory and went in search of glory only for this topsy-turvy game to take a further twist. An innocuous ball into the box somehow arrived at the feet of a Stonyhurst striker who required no second invitation to restore the lead. The Wanderers’ young team though possesses many a quality, not least a fighting spirit and never-say-die attitude. Buoyed by memories of their heroic comeback six months previously, they embarked on one final great escape. With ten minutes remaining, a good interchange in midfield allowed Tom Lever a sight of goal. He duly took aim and rifled the ball into the roof of the net the past agonisingK of the Stonyhurst goalkeeper. The scores were tied with ten minutes remaining.

After the breakdown of what proved to be Stonyhurst’s last meaningful match came the defining moment of the match. Singleton, looking to orchestrate a counter-attack from his own area, launched a ball downfield which caught the wind, bypassing the Stonyhurst defence and, to his own and everyone else’s amazement, bounced over the stranded keeper into the unguarded net. A moment of fortune maybe, but having battled back from the brink once more there was no way the Wanderers were going to let this lead slip. There was still time for the irreplaceable Tom Lever to complete his hat-trick, scoring direct from a corner, won after a fine flowing move involving Conal McKenzie, Alex Pizzoni and the rampaging James Kennedy.

So the final whistle went and the curtain came down on another fine OS sporting weekend. From the Wanderers perspective, this was very much a team performance with everybody contributing to a hard fought victory. It was a tough call for the ‘Man of the Match’ award but this year the accolade went to Sam Eddy, with evidence of his new found cult hero status being heard well into the night.

Thanks must go to Mr David Eachus who refereed the game and showed much appreciated sympathy for tiring Wanderers’ limbs by not punishing too severely, the odd mistimed tackle late in the game. The Stonyhurst team more than played their part too with some impressive performances. Rob Eatough already has his eye on one or two of them to replace some of his ageing “stars” should their performances fall below his required standard in the games ahead. The message from this game though was loud and clear. This is only the end of the beginning for this group of players!
ANNUAL DINNER

The Top Refectory at Stonyhurst provided the splendid setting for the Annual Dinner of the Stonyhurst Association under the presidency of Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ OS 59 - 66, Master of Campus Hall, Oxford.

Michael Joseph made a presentation of a small silver tray embedded with an 1810 Stonyhurst medal to Christopher Page, retiring chairman, thanking him for his services.

The Guest of Honour, Baroness Hollins, an emeritus professor of psychiatry of disability and president-elect of the BMA, spoke about women and their changing roles and expectations in society.

Replying to the toasts were the Headmaster, Andrew Johnson and the Head of the Line, Bradley Goss, who also had this to say about his time here:

...The College continues to go from strength to strength and I would struggle to find any element of my education and life here, lacking. There has never been a time here when I have felt I was alone or couldn’t reach out for help. Stonyhurst is a family committed to caring for each and every student. The bonds made here every day make for very close friendships that will last a lifetime. The defining character of Stonyhurst, more than anything else, is the people here whom you encounter every single day, whether they be your team mates, your Playroom Master, the kitchen staff, your tutor, or your best friend. These are the people who have made every day special and memorable during my time at Stonyhurst and I can honestly say that I consider a number of teachers and staff as my friends.

We have a wonderful international community which adds to the rich tapestry that is Stonyhurst. We are a tight-knit and happy lot; we care deeply for and look after one another.

Life here is never dull there is always so much to do whether it be sport, music, drama, theatre, debating or clubs and societies. In fact, there is something for everyone!

The Politics Society, the Industrial Society, the Senior Essay Society, Choral society programmes run by the pupils such as Ave Maria, Learning to Care, and Chirwirangwe or our many musical productions and plays such as Les Misérables, Rameau and Julet, Sweeney Todd and last year’s very well-received show, Fiddler on the Roof, .......to name but a few!!! This year’s production is The Sound of Music which promises to be just as spectacular. I hope you get the opportunity to come along and see at Stonyhurst we work very hard indeed to achieve results, but many would argue, we play even harder!

The school has offered my classmates and me so much more than just lessons. We are more than just a group of friends at Stonyhurst, we quickly notice the sense of belonging. When walking or driving down the Avenue, whether it’s arriving back from a hard fought rugby fixture or simply coming into school, you can always feel the excitement and enthusiasm of the students. When walking or driving down the Avenue, whether it’s arriving back from a hard fought rugby fixture or simply coming into school, you can always feel the excitement and enthusiasm of the students.

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fresco caused more damage than those defects he was trying to remedy. In addition, Thorworth's work was crude and clumsy, lacking the skill that was required to paint the frescoes accurately and precisely. The frescoes were touched up after the plasters were removed, which made it easier to paint the frescoes. The plasterers had to work quickly, as the frescoes would dry out if the plasterers took too long.

The skill of the plasterers and painters was essential to the creation of these frescoes. The frescoes were created using the ancient technique of fresco painting, which involves applying wet plaster to a wall and then immediately applying pigment to the plaster while it is still wet. This method allows the pigment to become an integral part of the plaster, creating a more permanent and durable surface.

The frescoes in St Peter's are a testament to the skill of the artists who created them. The frescoes are a beautiful example of the art of fresco painting, and they continue to fascinate and inspire visitors to this day.
We are most grateful to everyone who supported the Annual Fund 2010/11 campaign: we raised over £66,000, which exceeded our expectations in spite of the current economic climate. We will be publishing a Stewardship Report of the Annual Fund 2010/11 thanking our donors and illustrating where these funds have assisted. We have now launched our Annual Fund 2011/12, which we hope many will moreover support.

The Madrid Reception was held on Friday 30th September. It was a wonderful evening hosted by Larry Crouch, Peter Anwyl (former Headmaster of SMH) and Rachel Hindle, the Development Director.

In attendance were over 80 oh, current parents, former parents and their families. It was a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new connections. Mark Hurst, Committee member, gave an address about the activities of the Stonyhurst Association.

Above: Regina Lacalle Puig (OS 06-08), Peter Anwyl and Santiago Lacalle Puig (OS 02-04)

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We would like to thank the Peter Glenville Foundation for their very generous donation which has enabled the restoration of the theatre back to its former glory. The donation is in memory of Peter Glenville (OS 1922-32) who performed frequently in the Academy Room which helped to prepare him for his career as an actor and director. The restoration was completed in time for the Sound of Music production this autumn and the pupils enjoyed their splendid restored theatrical surroundings.

The Rhetoric Leavers’ Gift was set up in 2005 and since then it has been the custom for the Rhetoric leavers to make a lasting mark of their time at the College. Recent gifts have allowed the restoration of the Madonna of the Edelweiss in the Long Room and the commission of a new portrait of the College’s founder, Father Robert Persons to mark his 400th anniversary.

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The annual Thomas Weld Society Lunch was held in the Top Refectory and was attended by OS, parents, staff and Committee members. Following on from the lunch, the curator, Jan Graffius, gave a talk on the Treasures of Heaven exhibition at the British Museum and invited the members to a private viewing of the exhibition.

This year we received a very generous legacy of £300,000 which will go towards our bursary funds and essential improvements in the Jesuit libraries where some of the College Collections are housed.

Membership of the Thomas Weld Society is open to all those who have pledged to remember Stonyhurst in their Will. If you would like to join us next year or if you would like to receive a copy of our legacy brochure please contact us.

The Italian university system is very different to the British. The professor gives the students the names of text books, which have to be learned by heart and regurgitated at exams. Little analytical thought is involved. Exams are usually oral. The daunting experience ‘starts’ at 9.00am, everyone sits in the actual examination room until their name is called, perhaps waiting six or more hours. While a candidate is being examined, the others may be listening to the questions given, or talking loudly as Italians like to do. During the exam the professor’s mobile may ring, he/she will excuse him/herself and disappear. The candidate is given a mark out of thirty, which does not have to be accepted, if contested, more questions are asked until either the candidate is satisfied with the mark or decides to come back to the next sitting. Theoretically this process could go on for the whole three years of an Italian’s undergraduate course.

The year was about more than studying though. I visited Sicily, Tuscany, Umbria and the Campania region. I am disappointed that I failed to see everything I wanted of Rome (a visiting cousin claimed to have seen all of Rome in four days - such naivety!). I made good friends, had many visitors, ate delicious food and met interesting people, including Francis Campbell, then British ambassador to the Vatican, and OS Roderick Strange, rector of the Beda College, who chose not to become a Jesuit as he did not want to end up back at Stonyhurst...

I never did meet a contessa though.

The St Peter’s Church has undergone extensive restoration work over the last year, which has been kindly funded by the Society of Jesus. To commemorate the restoration of St Peter’s Church we will be holding a Mass of Celebration on Sunday 22nd January 2012. We would be delighted if you would be able to join us. For further information please contact the Development Office.

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A current parent and her son, who is a pupil at the College, have very kindly donated a beautiful full size antique Victorian snooker table which has been housed in the Grammar Playroom and will be used by our pupils. This is a wonderful gift which will bring a lot of enjoyment to snooker fans.

The restoration of the Playground/handball walls by the South Front is now complete. We would like to thank the Stonyhurst Association for their donation which enabled this vital work to be carried out. The work was carried out by our own stonemason, Terry McGough, and I am sure you will agree looks resplendent by the Jesuit Gardens.
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HE NEXT STONYHURST PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes will be from 24th to 31st August 2012. This year saw the biggest Stonyhurst group yet in the Catholic Association Pilgrimage - a mixture of Assisted Pilgrims, College pupils, young OS, older OS with their families and others associated with the Stonyhurst family. For people who have never been to Lourdes before, the Catholic Association Pilgrimage provides an opportunity to visit Lourdes in the company of people who are familiar with all that goes on there - and just cannot stay away! Whether you are a young helper on the Pilgrimage, or an Assisted Pilgrim visiting Lourdes for the first time at the age of 85, the experience can change your life! For people with long term illness or with mobility problems, the Catholic Association Pilgrimage provides an ideal opportunity to visit Lourdes. With round the clock nursing and medical care and no shortage of willing helpers to provide every kind of assistance, it is possible for people who cannot usually travel to be fully cared for. On the journeys and while in Lourdes, whether staying in hotels or in the Accueil - the Assisted Pilgrims' hospital - there is always enough help available that even people who are normally housebound and needing frequent visits from carers to look after them, can be catered for. The success of the Pilgrimage depends heavily on having Assisted Pilgrims and we are actively seeking new people to take. If you would like to find out more about the Pilgrimage - for yourself or on behalf of someone who would normally think that they are too ill or immobile to consider travelling, please contact Beverley in the Association office in the first instance.

One of the UK’s most respected baroque specialists, Nicholas, enjoys a varied career throughout Europe. Highlights of the 2010/11 season include Monteverdi at Glyndebourne. Messiah with confirmed OAE and extensive touring with the Gabrieli consort performing the St Matthew Passion. During the early part of 2012, Nick and Anne are going to put on a concert in London to help raise money for the Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Trust. The date and venue are yet to be confirmed - but be assured that the entertainment will be second to none. The evening promises a selection of operatic favourites, treasures from the song repertoire and the opportunity to discover new gems. The company is bound to be lively - the Lourdes crowd will not be able to stay away when they hear that they have an excuse to get together again! Watch this space - details will be sent out by email as soon as the plans firm up.

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On Saturday 4th June 2011 the first Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Ball was held, and was hosted by Dr Robin and Dr Nuala Mellows. The ball was attended by 130 guests who, following a delicious meal, danced the right away. There was an auction and a raffle and we were immensely grateful to all those who donated prizes. The evening raised over £10,000 through ticket sales, auction and raffle income and donations. This is much needed income for the Pilgrimage Trust, which gives subsidies each year to enable people to come to Lourdes who might otherwise not be able to do so. Particular thanks are given to Robin and Nuala who gave generously of their time organising the evening and preparing for the Ball and made their home and garden available for the occasion. It was a splendid evening and we now look forward to the concert that is being planned for 2012. - EDITOR

ADVANCE NOTICE

Concert in London

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Anne Gill (OA 96) and Nick: Mulroy are equally at home on the concert platform as the operatic stage. They sing regularly with all the major national companies; most recently Anne has performed with Opera North, Glyndebourne and made notable role and company debuts at Scottish Opera. She has made regular European appearances since her French debut in 2009.

THOUGH THE LONG SUMMER holidays are now but a distant memory, it is right I should begin a review of the school year so far with what happened in July and August, even before the Christmas term got underway. July saw a girls’ hockey tour to Portugal (A team: Won 3, Drew 1, Lost 3), the CCF summer camp and the children’s holiday week. In August a small group took part in an ‘endurance’ expedition to Cornwall, and the Lourdes pilgrimage was this year attended by some 24 pupils of the College. Examination results have once again been strong, with 69% of papers grades A*-B at A level and 49% grades either A* or A at GCSE. All three Oxbridge candidates with conditional offers have secured their places and, in this most difficult of years, the vast majority of Rhetoricians have secured the grades to attend a university of their choice (which is now no longer a foregone conclusion for all university applicants).

Also this summer Stonyhurst featured in the Treasures of Heaven exhibition at the British Museum, with three artefacts from the Collections on display in London including the holy thorn which once belonged to Mary Queen of Scots; now cared for by the College on behalf of the Province. A programme about the exhibition appeared on BBC4 in June and featured an interview with the College Curator, Jan Graffius.

There have been some notable changes among OS staff at the College. Mr Robert Youthen OS 1999 has taken over as Lower Grammar Playroom Master, Mr Jonathan Smith OS 1986 is now acting Head of English, Dr Paul Ellis (who attended SMH though not the College) has become our Director of the International Baccalaureate and Mr David Norris OS 2000 is offering preparation for acting exams as a visiting teacher.

Our pupils now have the opportunity to learn Mandarin, and our plans to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma as an alternative alongside A levels from September 2013 are shaping up nicely. While a school such as Stonyhurst offers so much more than just an academic education, it is so important in a competitive world that the academic provision should be first rate.

Thanks to the generosity of the Society of Jesus, St Peter’s church has been undergoing major renovation. I visited the building at the end of August, and again recently, and so have seen the restoration work as it takes place. It is clear the church will look very fine indeed once it is completed (by mid-November). There will be an official reopening Mass in St Peter’s on Sunday 24th January to which all OS are warmly invited.

The next major development at the College is to be the construction of a new chapel and refectory, and to replace the 1960s buildings currently used (below). This project is being funded by a bank loan. The new ‘ref’ will be a fine and fitting addition to the collection of grade I listed buildings at the College, and to be sited behind the shop. The new (Rhetoric) Wing and adjacent to Wold House. We expect construction to commence in January 2012, and for the building to be finished and open a year later. We are most grateful to the Stonyhurst Association for its funding of the restoration of the playground walls, the first having been completed in May, the second was just finished in time for guests of the Association dinner to see it. Also underway and all but completed (at the end of October) is a renovation of the stage and floor of the Academic Room and a reordering of the second floor Green Room. This work has been generously funded by the Peter Glenville Foundation, and by donations to the Annual Fund.

I would like to pay tribute here to the work of Rachel Hindle, our Development Director, who has placed our essential fundraising on a new and firmer footing. We introduced our first Annual Fund in recent years during the last academic year, which has raised over £60,000 for projects at the College and St Mary’s Hall. We will shortly be issuing a stewardship report showing donations made, and the progress made on the projects we identified in last year’s Annual Fund. This year’s Annual Fund brochure, setting out a new range of projects, will have been issued by the time you read this article. I thank all OS donors for your generosity in supporting the College in this way.

We are delighted to welcome OS to the College, and very much enjoyed hosting the OS 1970 reunion a few weeks’ ago, and then the annual Association Dinner at the end of October. It goes without saying that you are invited to come back to the College at any time. If you would like a tour of recent developments here, or would like to meet with me, simply contact us in advance: development@stonyhurst.ac.uk and we will be delighted to make appropriate arrangements for you.
Father Brendan Callaghan SJ, OS 59 - 66, Master of Campion Hall, Oxford, is now the President of the Association.

Rachid Chanter OS 03 - 07 has been awarded the Association fellowship this year, and is helping the curator with the Collections.

The playground walls have now been rebuilt. The cost has been borne by the Association.

Anastasis Callinicos, Classics master, at the College, has been appointed the Stonyhurst Association Secretary.

Stas Callinicos was born in Salisbury, Rhodesia, and educated by Presentation Nuns (who specialised in inventive and immediate chastisement) and the Jesuits at St George's College (who were irritated by the experience). After National Service in the Rhodesian Army, he read Medieval Studies at Exeter University, and spent eighteen months editing medieval King's Bench Writs at the Public Records Office which was then still in Chancery Lane. At Independence in 1980, he returned to Zimbabwe, where he worked in Hotels and restaurants until, soon after marrying Alice Robertson, he decided to follow his love of Latin and Greek back to University; he received in rapid succession his Bachelor of Arts in Classics at the University of Zimbabwe. Here he lectured in Classics for twelve years, three as Chairman of the Department of Religion, Classics, and Philosophy; this meant, inter alia, administering the Affiliate Colleges which awarded Theology and Philosophy Diplomas and Degrees, including both the Jesuit Seminary at Chishawasha, their foundation Mission, and the Jesuit Arrupe College in the UK, which was responsible for the Jesuit Novices “as somewhere between a holiday and a retreat.” It is a wonderful way to follow the Easter Services and families and friends of Stonyhurst come -Brown, the College Deputy Head. His talk “Jesus the Humble Leader” was echoed by the Association’s invitation to deepen our spirituality and lay leadership in an Ignatian Retreat probably in 2012.

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The Association does a lot for the College and seeks to work in close cooperation. To this end members of the committee met some Governors last September and I am representing the Association on the Heritage and Development committee of the Governors. Stonyhurst is just completing its second year as an independent Trust, and so as the College plans its future development it also has to ensure the funding for it and for the continuing help which it strives to give pupils and their families. This is typified by the gift of Henry Wld-Stewart (OS 62) towards Weld House which opened last September. It is a thrill to see that we are paying for the restoration of the playground walls and for the digitisation of the magazine, bringing our invaluable record and archive to a format that can be used for generations to come.

I was pleased to gather fourteen of our eighteen Past Presidents together with our Chairman Christopher Page for two lunches, one in the north, hosted by the Headmaster and the College and one in London hosted by the Association. Both gave us opportunities to hear about the school and contribute ideas and feedback. Lastly I would like to pay tribute to three people. Fr Richard Rotter (OS 59), monk of Buckfast Abbey, whom at his funeral service, I found I shared exactly the same birthday! Christine Crouch, wife of Larry, Headmaster of Saint Mary’s Hall, whose funeral was on her birthday 8th February. She was a wonderful support to him, even in the last difficult years. We remembered Tim Hetherington (OS 69) at the Easter Retreat. As a photographic journalist, he died on the front line in Libya. All of them lived as “Men and Women for others”. I am delighted that Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ, Master of Campion Hall, is to follow me as President. It is 30 years since we last had a Jesuit as President, Fr Charles Macadam! Michael Joseph, President 2010-2011
THE STONYHURST MAGAZINE

DAVID KNIGHT

WHEN 'THE STONYHURST MAGAZINE' was first published in 1881 its primary purpose seems to have been to amuse and entertain. Over time - and never more so in recent years - the publication has become an accurate record of the principal events and achievements of each school year, together with obituaries of former pupils and featured articles on every conceivable aspect of the school's fascinating past. In short, each edition presents another chapter in 'the Stonyhurst record'. This is the reason for the choice of the new title. As the Stonyhurst Association is generously paying for all of the past copies of 'The Stonyhurst Magazine' to be printed, this will now become a record of that publication in its entirety.

Apart from the change in name the only conspicuous change is the new front cover design in accord with the latest Stonyhurst corporate image. Internally, there has been a serious attempt to achieve an improved balance, involving a modest trimming of certain areas which had been perceived as having been allowed undue prominence, together with a slight reduction in the overall length. The aim continues to be to present the material in an attractive and entertaining way for current readers and to provide an important archival resource for future generations.

Fully-illustrated articles in this first edition of The Stonyhurst Record include:

- The incredible story of George Archer-Shee OS (the inspiration for 'The Winnlow Boy' by Terence Rattigan), including many images never previously published.
- The prayer book of Mary Queen of Scots in the Arundell Library.
- The complete history of Handball at Stonyhurst (inspired by the recent restoration of the two Playground walls paid for by the Association).
- The Stations of the cross in St Peter's and the artist responsible for their creation.
- The life and exploits of former Stonyhurst pupil Lieutenant-Colonel Leslie Humphreys OBE - who will be remembered by many OSs during his time as a master at SMH from 1969 to 1973.

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Aims & Activities

For the Members

To maintain contact with and support members of the Association, other friends of Stonyhurst and Jesuit schools worldwide, through:
- Contact database; newsletter and web site; student grants; reunions; annual dinners; sport; other annual events.

For the Church

To encourage members to develop their faith and support the Church, through:
- The Association Prayer Book, the College Easter Retreats, the Lourdes and other Pilgrimages, the Sodality, the Association's Chaplains.

For the College

To work closely with the College and to provide, where possible, support for the College in the achievement of its objectives, through:
- Association Office giving support to the Development and Admissions office, scholarships, prizes and bursaries; publications through the Association’s Sts Omnes Press; careers advice.

For the Disadvantaged

To provide comfort and support for the disadvantaged, particularly those suffering from bereavement, poverty, serious mental or physical disability, through:
- The Annual Stonyhurst Lourdes pilgrimage; supporting holidays for children with special needs, generous funding the Xavier Volunteer Programme and other Jesuit projects; Benvolent funds.

The Stonyhurst Association is run by its officers, committee and full time Office Manager, through its office at the College, and is funded through subscriptions and investment income arising from gifts made over the years by members.

Grants

The Stonyhurst Association has some funding available for student grants in the following categories:
- OS students at university undergoing financial hardship; Medical Electives; and Travel Electives.
- In 2021 we awarded £650 to OS students who made successful applications.

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To work closely with the College and to provide, where possible, support for the College in the achievement of its objectives, through:
- Association Office giving support to the Development and Admissions office, scholarships, prizes and bursaries; publications through the Association’s Sts Omnes Press; careers advice.

For the Disadvantaged

To provide comfort and support for the disadvantaged, particularly those suffering from bereavement, poverty, serious mental or physical disability, through:
- The Annual Stonyhurst Lourdes pilgrimage; supporting holidays for children with special needs, generous funding the Xavier Volunteer Programme and other Jesuit projects; Benevolent funds.

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Link Cufflinks £17

Chain Cufflinks, £18

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Left top: Association tie, £22

Middle: OS tie, knitted silk: £21

Bottom: OS tie, printed silk: £18

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Please add £1.50 for postage and packing.

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