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## FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOLARSHIPS

The St Francis Xavier Award is a 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 2013 then please do get in touch with our admissions department on 01254 827073/193 or email them at [admissions@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@stonyhurst.ac.uk).



## THE STONYHURST RECORD

Within the pages of this annual publication you will find:

A record of the recent activities and achievements of the pupils and staff at the College and Mary's Hall, many obituaries of former pupils and featured aspects of the history of the school.

The statue of St Peter adorns the front cover this year to draw attention to the story of the recent restoration of St Peter's church and its Re-opening Mass and the long history of the Stonyhurst parish.

Other topics include the mysterious fire on the school train from one-hundred years ago and, from a century before that, a detailed examination of the school rules, providing a fascinating contrast with life at the present day.

The Stonyhurst Record is on sale only to current parents and to former pupils. The support of OS subscribers is greatly appreciated and without which the publication would cease to exist.

### the STONYHURST RECORD



**Front Cover:** Painting of the *Presentation in the Temple* bequeathed to the College by William Raymakers OS, RIP (see Cover Story, page 25), former President of the Stonyhurst Association.

**Back Cover:** Collage of Our Lady statues to be found around the College.



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# DIARY OF EVENTS

Details will be published on the web site ([www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association.shtml](http://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association.shtml));  
email [association@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:association@stonyhurst.ac.uk) with any queries



## MARCH 2ND 2013 SODALITY AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION FOR LENT

The College is arranging a Sodality Afternoon of Recollection for Lent 2013, to be held on Saturday 2nd March at 2.30pm, in the Emmaus Centre. The day will consist of prayer, a talk by a priest, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and opportunity for Confession and Mass. There will be refreshments available and a light supper of soup, bread and cheese at the end. All are welcome and anyone interested in attending is advised to contact Michael Turner at the College by email ([m.turner@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:m.turner@stonyhurst.ac.uk)) or Simon Whittle, Prefect of the Sodality ([3116@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:3116@stonyhurst.ac.uk)) for further information.

## MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup> – 31<sup>ST</sup> 2013 Holy Week Retreat

## APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> – 21<sup>ST</sup> 2013 SPORTING WEEKEND

The annual sporting weekend will take place at the College. If any OS would like to play in a team please contact the Wanderers representatives whose details are:

Rugby: Marco Vagheti  
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and  
Laura Kerrigan  
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Richard Drinkwater will be co-ordinating the event and can be contacted on the email address above.

## MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> – 19<sup>TH</sup> 2013 OS FAMILIES' WEEKEND

In collaboration with the College, for those with children approaching the right age, who might be interested in Stonyhurst. This will be a relaxed, informative and enjoyable weekend for all, to see the school with absolutely no obligation. Ask the Association Office for full details which will be available shortly.

## MAY 23<sup>RD</sup> 2013 GREAT ACADEMIES CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION FOR PARENTS AND STAFF

## JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup> 2013 LONDON CONVIVIAM, THAMES RIVER CRUISE

Following the 2011 cruise we have been asked by many to repeat this summer convivium. The 2013 date has been confirmed and a booking form will be available early in the

spring; details will be also on the website.

## AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> – 30<sup>TH</sup> 2013 LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

## SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> 2013 STONYHURST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER AT HURLINGHAM

The Annual Dinner will be held at Hurlingham when Judge James Hanratty OS 1964 will preside. The guest speaker will be Professor Lord Hennessy. A booking form is being prepared and will be available in the New Year. It will be emailed to all those for whom we have an email address and will also be available to download from the website.

## AUTUMN 2013 – DATE TBA ROBERT PERSONS SJ LECTURE

Following the lecture that took place in Oxford in 2010 we plan to arrange a second lecture. This will be held at Stonyhurst College, and will be led by Professor Peter Davidson of Aberdeen University and Jan Graffius the College Curator. Further details will be available shortly.

## NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup> 2013 – REUNION 1975-1977

A reunion for OS who left from Syntax in 1975 and from Rhetoric in 1977 is being arranged at the College. Victor Keunen is co-ordinating the reunion and a booking form is available from the Association Office or by contacting Victor at: [vkeunen@gmail.com](mailto:vkeunen@gmail.com).

# ANNUAL DINNER

A NEAR RECORD ATTENDANCE of 246, including 5 tables of young OS and their guests, enjoyed an evening of reminiscences and fun in the 'Spirit of Rugby Suite' underneath the west stand at Twickenham Stadium for the annual Association dinner on Saturday 3 November.

Our esteemed guest of honour and career diplomat, Edward Chaplin CMG, OBE had served as 'Our Man in Iran' and worryingly had been held hostage for 24 hours by unsympathetic protestors. Unperturbed, his mother had said, 'I am sure that Edward will be all right. After all, he survived a boarding school education in England!'

The headmaster, Andrew Johnson, gave a highly encouraging and all-encompassing summary of the healthy state of the school which, with a current student head count of 475 is fuller than for many years.

The walls of the RFU Twickenham then reverberated, not to 'Swing Low Sweet Chariot' but, in time honoured tradition, to the strains of 'Stonyhurst, old Stonyhurst'. A very good time was had by all.

David Hurst



## Stonyhurst Association Social Media Strategy

The Association is leaping into the 21st Century and embracing social media to help advance our mission. We are working to build an active community of OS through both our Facebook and LinkedIn pages and Twitter feed. We want to use these channels to provide members with information and also foster opportunities for OS to easily interact with the wider OS community.

With respect to providing information, we hope to provide up to date news from the College, where possible provided by student journalists, allowing OS to stay in touch with the College and comment and discuss developments. We also will be providing information on Association events such as reunions, carol singing, OS sporting weekend and the Annual Dinner. This should allow OS to get a feel for who is coming to events and also allowing you to easily RSVP and export events details to calendars.

The Association would also like to use our Social Media pages as a facility for OS to communicate with each other, harnessing our extensive global network. This could be for example requesting careers advice from OS in a certain field, raising awareness about your charity events or business ventures, and also providing a platform to share OS news and pictures.

In order for this to be successful we need more people to 'like' our Facebook page, and follow our Twitter and LinkedIn pages. So please use the details below to join the conversation!

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stonyhurstassociation](http://www.facebook.com/stonyhurstassociation)

LinkedIn: Search 'Stonyhurst Association'

Twitter: follow @StonyAssoc

Hamish Reid OS 2004

## THE PRESIDENT

After welcoming the guests, the President, Denis Unsworth OS 48 - 57 thanked Beverley for her wonderful organization and introduced his guest speaker, Mr Edward Chaplin.

He pointed out that he had had the good fortune to benefit from several Jesuit 'educations'- initially as a student, and then later as a teacher at St. Mary's Hall, Headmaster at Hodder and finally Deputy Headmaster at St. John's Beaumont.

Speaking about life at Hodder, founded in 1805, he said it was the oldest Preparatory School in the country, and indeed one of the most beautiful, overlooking the field known as Paradise and the River Hodder. The building has now been converted into flats and the school has been absorbed into St. Mary's Hall.

He had recently been shown round St Mary's Hall by Mr Larry

Crouch, the Headmaster, and he said he had seen that hallmark of all successful schools for younger children- shining eyes- and not just the children but the staff as well! For there was magic and joy in teaching, and the teacher was at the heart of it all.

Denis had also participated in the last two Great Academies at the College and he had been impressed by the number, quality and variety of activities of a collaborative nature - sports, theatre, music, societies, voluntary work, the CCF... These require time, effort, dedication and goodwill but they bring with them the reward of the pleasure, satisfaction and camaraderie of team work. He wanted his speech to be a tribute to those at Stonyhurst who over the years have given more than they have taken and who continue to give more than they take.

# CONGRATULATIONS

Please send your contributions to the Editor: [d.mercer@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:d.mercer@stonyhurst.ac.uk)

## BIRTHS

**Sarah Knight OS 87 - 89** is delighted to announce the birth of a daughter, Beatrice, Charlotte Rose, on 6th October 2012.

**Robert Youlten OS 94 - 99** and his wife Esther are delighted to announce the birth of a daughter, Lucy Sofia Hope, on 18th November, 2012.

**Kevin Barrett OS 93 - 98** and Laura are delighted to announce the birth of Harry Mark Tunstill Barrett on 22 May 2012.

**Donald Hall OS 81 - 86** and his wife Hillary are delighted to announce the birth of the first son, William Vincent, on 8th November 2012, in New York.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Peter Horgan OS 58 - 62** has been made a Knight of St Gregory for services to the Church.

Peter qualified as an accountant and lived and worked in London with other OS including Denis Watts and David da Cunha et alia before going to Iran. On his return he married Mary Wilcox and they have three daughters and five grandchildren. After a varied career, he bought the firm where he was trained and retired in 2005. He has a long history of service to local parishes, the Venerable English College and Pontifical Beda College (Rod Strange OS, Rector) in Rome and was made a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre in the late 80s. He has had an enduring love for English classic cars, particularly Bentleys, since leaving school.

**Mark Brinkley OS 02 - 07** has graduated with a first class degree in Russian and Persian from Clare College, Cambridge.

Prayer Requested: **David Thorpe OS 87 - 90** and his wife Hariett have a daughter Lottie aged two and a half, who has liver cancer. Though she is being treated, she will ultimately need a liver transplant and they have asked both at Stonyhurst and the Association for your prayers.



## MARRIAGES

**David Green OS 94 - 99** (son of **Kensey Green OS 68 - 73** and Lizanne, eldest of their six children) married Carys Elizabeth Lewis on 10th March 2012 at St Cynfarch and St Mary, Ruthin.

Other OS in attendance were **Michael Green 60 - 65, John Green 71 - 76, David Healy 71 - 74, Rupert Glover 90 - 99, Dominic Navin-Jones 92 - 99, Paul Donovan 94 - 99** and Brian Lacy. (St John's, Beaumont)

**Natalie Russell-Blackburn OS 06** married Mr Matthew Perkins at the Church of St Mary, Eccleston, Chester on 31st August 2012.

Her sister, **Eleanor OS** was a bridesmaid and her brother **Captain Henry Russell-Blackburn OS** was also in attendance.

**Richard Pinder OS 97 - 02** married Dr Joanne Lau on 23rd June, 2012 at the Chapel of King's College, London by **Fr Matthew Power SJ, OS. Mr Alexander Pinder OS 02 - 07**, his brother, was the Best Man.

Other OS in attendance were, **Mr Gregory Taylor OS 97 - 02, Mr William Jardim OS 97 - 02, Mr Finian O'Mahony OS 98 - 02, Dr Isabella Lo OS 99 - 04, Mr Jonathan Doherty OS 00 - 02, Ms Amalawintha Wolfsdorf OS 00 - 02, Mr James McFarlane OS 98 - 03, Mr Mwai Kumwenda OS 97 - 02, Dr Lorenz Kemper OS 98 - 02.**

**Elizabeth Graffius OS 01 - 09** married **Gabriel Cohen OS 07 - 09** on 1st September, 2012, in the Boys' Chapel, Stonyhurst. Fr Simon Bishop SJ was the Celebrant and concelebrating were Fr John Twist SJ, Fr Nick King SJ, Fr Matthew Power SJ, Fr Michael Barnes SJ, Fr Billy Hewett SJ, and Fr Joe Waring SJ.

Many recent and not-so-recent OS were in attendance.

## SODALITY DAY OF RECOLLECTION



The Stonyhurst Sodality marked the start of the 'Year of Faith' with a Mass in the Sodality Chapel on Thursday 11th October being the Fiftieth Anniversary of the opening of Vatican II and the Twentieth Anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This was followed on Saturday 13th October by a Day of Recollection.

This day began with prayers from the Divine Office in the Sodality Chapel followed by a talk on the 'Year of Faith' by Fr. Sean O'Brien, curate at Our Lady of the Assumption in Burnley. Then, a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions in the Boys' Chapel, a Mass of the Holy Spirit in the Sodality Chapel and finally supper in the Bayley Room.

The day was attended by over thirty people and it was good to see three College Governors in attendance. Fr. Sean spoke about the nature of his vocation and both the joys and sorrows of the Priesthood in a manner that was never less than engaging and at times most profound. He focused on Pope Benedict's reasons for calling the 'Year of Faith' with reference to his recent letter, 'Porta Fidei' and several of the documents of Vatican II. Pope Benedict urges us, that this year we should try, "...to arouse in every believer the aspiration to profess the faith in fullness and with renewed conviction, with confidence and hope." We are encouraged to make, "...a concerted effort to rediscover and study the fundamental content of the faith that receives its systematic and organic synthesis in the Catechism of the Catholic Church." And that through living our Faith authentically we will become effective instruments of the New Evangelisation. "What the world is in particular need of today is the credible witness of people enlightened in mind and heart by the word of the Lord, and capable of opening the hearts and minds of many to the desire for God and for true life, life without end."

Overall, this was an inspiring day and a fitting way to begin the 'Year of Faith'. Thanks must go to Fr. Sean, Fr. Twist and Simon Whittle of Rhetoric who did so much of the preparation for the day and also to Mrs. Church-Taylor for the delicious supper at the end. It is hoped that there will be further events as part of the 'Year of Faith' during the coming year. Any OS who would be interested in attending these should contact either Mr. M. Turner or Simon Whittle at the College. MJT

## IT IS NOT ABOUT THE SILENCE

### The First Association Retreat at St Beuno's



A silent retreat is not about the silence. It is about creating a sense of seclusion, away from worldly distractions such as talking; phones ringing and traffic noise: the busy commotion of everyday life we all endure but which creates interference on the line to God. 'The Big Silence' should perhaps have been called 'The Big Seclusion', but that's not such a catchy title.

At St Beuno's Ignatian Spirituality Centre on the west slopes of Moel Maenefa, overlooking the glorious Vale of Clwyd in north Wales and with views of distant Snowdon (ask for a Tower room), thirteen of the Stonyhurst Family gathered in chilly November for the first Association Retreat.

This was to be a two day 'taster' giving insights into longer, preached and individually guided Ignatian retreats. But would two days be enough? In the wise words of the late Fr Freddie Turner SJ, it probably would be as, 'some people pray more quickly than others'. Built in 1848 as a training centre for Jesuits, the architect of St Beuno's was Joseph Hansom, also the designer of the Hansom Cab. Gerard Manley Hopkins studied theology at the college from 1874-1877 and wrote some of his most beautiful bucolic poetry after being inspired by the surrounding landscape.

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## IN MEMORIAM

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

Ellen Riley	OS 2001 - 2006
Richard William Jellicoe	OS 1969 - 1972
David James Bloomfield	OS 1946 - 1949
James Willis	OS 1941 - 1945
Peter Joyce Rush	OS 1943 - 1948
John Peter Law	OS 1937 - 1942
Janek Lukasiewicz	OS 1941 - 1942
Brian John McDonnell	OS 1935 - 1943
Pedro de Churruca y de la Plaza	OS 1927 - 1929
Robert Vincent Swarbrick	OS 1940 - 1944
Andrew Nicholas Morton	OS 1961 - 1969

John Matthew Patrick Coghlan OS 1949 - 1956

David Walmesley - Cotham OS 1956 - 1964

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

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

Frank Landers, husband of Noreen and father of Michael OS, Donal OS and Sean OS.

Colette Haynes, mother of Greg and Jack (OS)

Pamela Record, wife of Bob (OS) and mother of Peter (OS), who was killed in the Bali bombing. A Memorial Service will be held for Pamela at Farm Street on Friday 18th January 2013 at 4pm.

# 100 YEARS AGO

After reaching the South Pole, Scott, Wilson, Oates, Evans and Bowers perish on the return journey. The Titanic is sunk by an iceberg on its maiden voyage, with considerable loss of life\*. National Insurance is introduced in Britain and the suffragettes maintain a violent campaign for women's votes. Sir A Conan Doyle OS publishes 'The Lost World' and is possibly a party to the 'Pitdown' hoax. The territories of Arizona and New Mexico join the United States.



The picture above shows the Philosophers of 1912 with on the right, Archduke Franz Carl of Austria. Two years later, the assassination of his brother in Sarajevo triggered the First World War.

Colonel Philip Langdale OS is President of the Stonyhurst Association and the number of pupils at the College reaches 350 for the first time.

The ponds are restocked with 200, two year old trout. Not more than three fish can be

taken per pond, on fly only, of minimum size 10 inches. Fish over this size must be kept. The black swans have mated, produced eggs, but then deserted. Hens take over.

\*Fr Francis Browne SJ, an excellent photographer boarded the Titanic in Cherbourg with his equipment and sailed home to Cobh in Ireland. An American couple offered to pay his fare to continue to America but when he asked his provincial's permission he was bluntly told to jump ship. No doubt later he was grateful. Most of the photographs of the Titanic's first voyage were by default, those taken by him.

The Republic of Ireland recently issued this commemorative stamp:



Below: Stonyhurst Association Dinner 1912



Fr Bernard Vaughan OS, the celebrated preacher begins a lecture tour in the United States, speaking against 'socialism' and his speeches are reported in the New York Times. It is the third year of the Stonyhurst Association of America and its constitution is printed in the Magazine.

Edward Place OS, obtains the largest elephant tusks known, from their owner in Uganda. They are displayed at Greeners in London and valued at £600.

Basil Macdonald-Hastings OS achieves a theatrical record by writing two plays, his first, running at the same time in London and then Chicago.

Charles Jerningham OS (below) becomes editor of Vanity Fair whilst the deaths occur of Admiral Whyte OS, the first Catholic admiral since the Reformation, and Fr John Gerard SJ, OS, a forthright Scotsman, Prefect of Studies, student of Natural History and founder of the Stonyhurst Magazine.



Flowers and a welcome verse from the caring staff greeted each of us in our single rooms, 'Listen to the silence, let it enfold you, like a piece of music, like bird watching.' We felt good right from the start. The retreat was lead by Fr Michael O'Halloran, who was returning with fond memories to the place he had helped to establish as a retreat centre in the 1980s, and we each committed to two days of silence to allow God into our lives.

Six chapels around the St Beuno's centre, thoughtfully designed and landscaped grounds (a quite unique feature), wide ranging art and modern sculpture displays, well groomed gardens, an amazing collection of books on spirituality, perfect porridge and the Hopkins Gallery all added to the richness and warmth of our short stay.

With ages ranging from just 19 to somewhat older, we looked at the life and works of St Ignatius to learn how we can follow his example, focusing on just some of the many things Ignatius has to say to people like us about our relationship with God. We allowed 'time for God' throughout the programme by walking in the gardens and on the hillside nearby. We felt enriched.

This first retreat of its kind was specifically intended to meet a primary aim of the Association: to encourage members to develop their faith and support of our Church. Further Association retreats will follow and details will be announced at the Family Retreat at Easter and in future newsletters.

David Hurst

*(Paul Johnson OS 41 - 46, reminiscing in the Catholic Herald recently said 'When I went to Stonyhurst at the age of twelve, I discovered that the Jesuits always began the academic year in September with a three day retreat. There were various special ceremonies and sermons but the main point of the retreat was absolute silence among the boys. This rule is strictly enforced....It is a curious fact that not speaking for a considerable time does make you think more deeply and intensely and fruitfully. The Jesuits knew this....')*

Below: St Bueno's



# WANDERERS

SPORTING WEEKEND - APRIL, 2012

From the chairman, Richard Drinkwater

ONCE AGAIN, the College played host to the OS Wanderers sports teams and supporters who turned up en masse despite the weather reports, which proved to be correct unfortunately.

Saturday saw the Rugby 7s well organised as ever by Marco Vagheti, along with the football, marshalled by Rob Eatough, the netball hastily arranged by Dani Atherton and golf, captained by James Andrews. Sunday was meant to include cricket but the heavens opened and there was no chance of play. A moral victory to the OS perhaps...? Especially considering the entertainment of the night before.

Instead of our Top ref dining experience, we decided in advance to have a barbecue and hog roast down at the Oval, but as the weekend approached and the weather worsened, I feared a washout. How amazed we were then, when at the prescribed hour, the clouds parted, the sun came out and allowed more than a hundred hardy OS to enjoy a cracking little party for an hour or two. Our typical adjournment to the Bayley and Eagle & Child followed, and not much else can be disclosed....though pictures are available on various Facebook pages!

Thank you to everyone who organised teams, the caterers and to Beverley and Layla in the Association Office for their tireless work. Most importantly, a massive thank you to all the OS who continue to support this wonderfully entertaining and important weekend. Long may it continue!



## FOOTBALL

From Ross McLean

Stonyhurst 2 — 5 Wanderers

The Wanderers claimed a resounding victory in the football at the OS sporting weekend thanks to a polished team performance and some potent finishing.

The visitors were still reeling from a 3-0 reverse in the friendly between the two sides back in October and knew they would have to be on top form to overcome a Stonyhurst side which will have had a further six months to gel.

Injury and unavailability deprived the Wanderers of some familiar faces although there was a freshness to the squad and a more than usual blend of youthful exuberance and cultured old heads. This, together with skipper Rob Eatough's diligently crafted game-plan as well as a modern and flexible continental formation, allowed the visitors to dictate play and look an assured outfit. Key to this was a sound defensive platform provided by Matt Holden and Barney Vines, width attained through full-backs Josh Vines, Dan Smalley and later Henry Taylor and Eatough's own redoubtable qualities in the middle of the park. Marc O'Neill, Graham McEwan and in the second half Joe Garlington were also integral in juggling the

provision of support to a central front man with ensuring there was always an option for the midfield to knock a ball to the flanks. Despite playing on a pitch which was in desperate need of being acquainted with a mower – A ploy designed to restrict the Wanderers' brand of possession football perhaps? - the visitors did manage to play with fluency from the outset although they failed to make their territorial advantage count in the opening stages and fell behind after a mistimed tackle in the box gifted Stonyhurst a penalty, which was calmly and confidently slotted home.

The Wanderers continued to look threatening in the final third but it took

some time before the equaliser arrived. Declan Walsh and McEwan both flashed efforts wide of the target before Josh Vines played in Ross McLean who danced his way through the Stonyhurst defence to level matters.

The away side were very much on the front foot now and took the lead before the interval through a Chris Lowe strike of stellar quality. Lowe, who scored in excess of 30 goals during his final season at Stonyhurst, is a fantastic addition to the Wanderers' ranks and rifled home an effort from an acute angle which rocketed past the keeper from the right-hand side of the penalty area.

The second half was initially a more balanced affair as the hosts strived to restore parity, although it was the Wanderers who edged further ahead as Walsh played in the lethal Lowe to coolly round the keeper and finish clinically.

Stonyhurst were plucky opponents and rallied as the game wore on but the visitors were a constant menace in attack and scored a fourth when a sliced defensive clearance fell to McLean who made no mistake in smashing home his second of the afternoon. The home side refused to accept defeat and appeared to have made it a nervy final

### SHIREBURN 100 WINNERS

January  
Niall Macfarlane OS 66 - 75

April  
Huw Williams OS 72 - 82

July  
Francis H Jackson OS 59 - 69

October  
Richard Drinkwater OS 84 - 91

fifteen minutes by pulling a goal back after a cross was turned home from within the six yard box. However, with attack being the best form of defence, the visitors went in search of more goals and the game was sewn up with ten minutes remaining as the influential Walsh again teed up Lowe who completed his impressive hat-trick with a nonchalant finish.

McLean also had a late chance to claim a hat-trick after being played in superbly by fans' favourite Chris Jackson but rather fluffed his lines in front of goal.

The Wanderers gave an extremely good account of themselves in this match and played with guile, intensity and imagination throughout. Stonyhurst never quite managed to solve the tactical conundrum posed by the away side who have now won four consecutive matches on OS sporting weekend. Pride does cometh before a fall but there is certainly enough youth coming through the ranks and sufficient life left yet in a few old dogs to suggest more victories could well be chalked up in the coming years, the resolve to extend the unbeaten record will certainly be there.

Special mention must go to Chris Newton. Supporters of the Wanderers are used to seeing Chris strut his stuff outfield but on this occasion he took on the responsibility of keeping goal and had an excellent game, commanding his area well, demonstrating safe handing and never looking overly troubled by the unfamiliar nature of the position.

Thanks also goes to Mr Smith for refereeing the game and as always to Stonyhurst for being worthy adversaries who were not afraid to exercise some tricks of the trade, particularly when defending corners – Good on them I say!

**Squad:** Chris Newton, Dan Smalley, Josh Vines, Matt Holden, Barney Vines, Rob Eatough, Ross McLean, Declan Walsh, Marc O'Neill, Chris Lowe, Graham McEwan, Chris Jackson, Henry Taylor, Joe Garlington.

*Anyone interested in playing football on the OS Sporting Weekend should contact Rob Eatough (robeatough@hotmail.com) or Ross McLean (rossmclean83@hotmail.com)*

RUGBY (From Marco Vagheti)

The OS Rugby 7s attracted 6 teams this year, with the majority coming from a variety of OS years, Clitheroe RUFC, and CBA, a Catholic Schools Old Boys' Team.

The weekend as ever started in the fine selection of Hurst Green pubs and Whalley discotheques, where tactics, line-out calls and last minute Hooker selections were discussed and recruited.

Picnic hampers were left at home this year as the weather was not kind, a steady flow of Ribble Valley drizzle and bone-chilling wind accompanied us on Smith Field most of the day. I'm positive the tournament would have been called off in Fiji! Despite the weather, the rugby played was of high quality and intensity. Some great early games saw some silky 7s being played, standout players included Bob Townsend, Luke Langford and Isola. The Cup Final would be between CBA and RH05, 2011 winners. Before this Clitheroe RUFC won the Plate with some ease (they had about 17 subs!). RH05 started the brighter and took the lead through Notter, the game was then evenly balanced, CBA struck back just before half time and the second half was all set for a cracker. RH05 stepped up their determination in the second half and scored three unanswered tries to win for the second year running.



All the players enjoyed the hog roast provided by the Association on the top flats, although there was no Bannoffee pie this year! The pork crackling made up for it though!

Many thanks to all the players, Richard Drinkwater, Beverley, Layla and David in the Association and the College for an enjoyable weekend.

See you all next year.

GOLF

(From James Andrews)

**The OS make it 6 on the trot!!!**

Team: Danny Church-Taylor; Richard Drinkwater; Chris Brennan; Jordan Chadwick; Michael Hall; Joe Barnett; Sebastian Leigh; James Andrews.

The OS golf team took on the College VIII in a fourball better ball match play competition over the course at Stonyhurst. As usual, stories of wayward drives and missed putts resounded around the clubhouse at the halfway refreshment break with the OS

team being up in 4 out of the 5 matches at that point. We continued to play erratic golf but managed to eventually win the match 3.5 to 1.5 (I think?). Special mention is needed for the College's best player who is actually still at SMH! He was playing against Richard Drinkwater and it was amazing to see Richard being out driven on nearly every hole... The future prospects of the College and OS golf team look bright. It's always great to return to the course

where most of us learnt to play. Weather conditions in April meant that the grass had not started to grow, but all things considered the course was in pretty good shape. Congratulations to the College team on the way they played – they showed real etiquette and true Stonyhurst spirit throughout the match. Thanks as always to Tim Strain for organising the match.

Well done chaps!

# OS GOLF: STONYHURST AND THE HALFORD HEWITT

JAMES ANDREWS

**G**OLF IS ONE of the best supported Wanderers sports. Every year, we enter a 10 man team in the Halford Hewitt tournament played in Kent.

The Halford Hewitt has been described by the golf writer Nick Tremayne as 'the greatest of all truly amateur tournaments'. Founded in 1924 it is competed for today by the old boys of 64 English and Scottish public schools which each field five foursomes pairs, making 640 competitors in all. The sheer size of the "field" - plus the hundreds of supporters who routinely turn up - is part of what makes the "Hewitt" a unique sporting event. The tournament has a rich history, frequently pits average golfers against famous internationals, and produces moments of golfing pressure simply not experienced by amateur players elsewhere.

HISTORY OF THE HEWITT

The Hewitt is one of Britain's most competitive golf tournaments, contested between teams from the schools which make up the membership of the Public Schools' Golfing Society. It is also one of the game's most convivial social gatherings, something which is entirely appropriate considering it was conceived during a luncheon meeting at one of England's finest golf clubs.



Above: Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club (Deal)

There is a degree of debate surrounding how the event came to be started but, according to that great golf writer and TV commentator, Henry Longhurst, it was dreamt up during a lunch which John Beck had with G.L. "Susie" Mellin at The Addington Club in Surrey, some time during the summer of 1923. Certainly, later that year, representatives from six schools, namely Eton, Charterhouse, Highgate, The Leys, Malvern and Winchester met up to finalise arrangements for the first tournament and they were joined in the inaugural draw by four others, Mill Hill, Rugby, Beaumont and Radley.

Mellin, an old Malvernian, and Beck, an old Carthusian, who later went on to Captain the Great Britain & Ireland Walker Cup side in 1938, were both outstanding golfers; Mellin good enough to reach the semifinals of The Amateur Championship in 1920. Both were determined to instigate an inter- Public Schools golf tournament. Both were also traditionalists, members of the old school in more ways than one, so it came as no surprise that they selected foursomes as the official format for the tournament.

Foursomes then, unlike now, was the obvious choice. It was the preferred form of golf for amateurs who were used to competing in the likes of Sunningdale Foursomes. It was also the speediest format, an important consideration which allowed the first few Hewitts to be contested over a single weekend, thereby ensuring that none of the competitors had to take valuable time off work in order to compete.

According to Longhurst, who seldom got things wrong, Mellin and Beck had decided on the tournament details and were wondering which "bloody fool" they could inveigle into putting up a trophy when, quite by chance, Halford Hewitt walked into the room and was promptly pounced on.

Today the Hewitt is played over the Royal Cinque Ports and Royal St. Georges Golf Clubs in Kent. The final rounds are always played at Royal Cinque Ports the home of the Public Schools' Old Boys Golfing Society.

STONYHURST AND THE HEWITT

Stonyhurst first entered the Hewitt in 1953 when the 'Hewitt' field was being enlarged towards its current number of 64 teams. In the early 1990s members of the Old Beaumontian golf society became eligible to play for the Stonyhurst Hewitt team due to the dwindling number of their old boys who were available to sustain a team. Jim Pound, Tony Thompson and Peter Flaherty (a former British Amateur International) all represented the Wanderers in that guise with distinction, before and after the turn of the millennium.

During the 1960s and 1970s the Stonyhurst Hewitt team did not progress far in the tournament. With the advent of golf coaching and increased use of the course at the College in the early 1980s, the Hewitt team was refreshed with new blood. In 1987,

NETBALL

(From Dani Atherton)

During the OS Sporting Weekend, seven keen OS girls came to compete in the Netball fixture. The OS team started well in the first quarter and managed to score a couple of goals. Both teams were a little rusty in their shooting as the match was during the summer term. In the first two quarters, the Seniors scored double the number of goals that the OS team did, but the match was still competitive with Jess Pye and Katie and Hilary Harrison all playing very well. The OS team tired in the second half and the Seniors took control to leave the final score 27-6 for the College.



Mike Downs (OS 02 – 06) on the 6th green at Royal St. Georges in the 2009 competition

Stonyhurst reached the quarter-finals after a fine third round victory over Oundle, only to lose to Rossall in the fourth. That team squad comprised Tony Reid (OS 64 - 67), John Magner (OS 46 - 64), John Jewsbury (OS 52 - 61), Michael Tweddell (OS 50 - 54), Colin Riddell (OS 78 - 83), David Llewellyn (OS 66 - 70), Allen Townsend (OS 68 - 78), Nick Dunn (OS 74 - 79), Frank O'Loughran (OS 47 - 56), David Dockree (OS 49 - 58) and Gerard Eaton (OS 46 - 51) our current golf society President.

#### MORE RECENT RESULTS

Today the Hewitt tournament forms part of a whole golfing week. The week starts with the "Sparrow" warm-up match at Rye golf club on Monday which is followed by two practice days at either the Royal St. George's or Royal Cinque Ports Golf Clubs. The first round of the true tournament commences on Thursdays. Final rounds are staged over the weekend and getting to 'the weekend' has always been a key Wanderers' objective. This was achieved twice in the 1990s.

The last ten years have proved to be a difficult period with a succession of first round draws against top opposition, such as Fettes, Edinburgh Academy, Stowe and Radley. A series of first round exits was brought to an end in 2012 at Royal Cinque Ports. Captained by Eric Craven (OS 81 - 83), and with debuts from Sebastian Leigh (OS 08 - 10), Rob Lo (OS 66 - 69) and Richard Drinkwater (OS 84 - 91), we easily saw off Chigwell 3½ - 1½. As expected, we came up against much tougher opponents in the next round, Cheltenham, losing 4 - 1.



Team of 1988 outside Royal St. George's Golf Club (Sandwich):  
Front row - Gerard Eaton OS, Major Bill Tee OS, Arthur Hillman OS, Tony Reid OS, John Jewsbury (Old Beaumont)  
Back row - John Magner OS, Eric Craven OS, Nick Dunn OS, David Llewellyn OS, Colin Riddell OS, Allen Townsend OS, Frank O'Loughran OS

#### SOCIAL SIDE

There are great stories of the team partaking fully in the social element of Hewitt week, still regarded as the most important element by most competitors, and a tradition upheld to this day by all Hewitt teams, Stonyhurst included.

Recently, we have been basing ourselves in Canterbury, staying at the Canterbury Cathedral Lodge. This provides us with great opportunities for entertainment in the evenings with the typical curry on Monday night, culminating with Italian and the Captain's speech on Thursday.



Rob Lo (OS 66 - 69) and Nick Dunn (OS 74 - 79) enjoying a post-match beer on the balcony outside Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club

Below: Canterbury Cathedral Lodge: our digs for the week



#### Getting involved with OS GOLF

We are always looking for new talent wishing to play in the Wanderers team.

If you want to become involved please get in touch with:

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# CARITAS

## FROM EAGLE AID TO WHINFIELD CHARITABLE TRUST

IT IS DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE that it is two years since I stepped down from being the Director of Eagle Aid and even more difficult to realise that I had been running Eagle Aid for 22 years before that. However the time to pass on the fund-raising baton to new management had clearly come, as I was approaching my 80th birthday.

During the handover, my successor asked me to continue handling Eagle Aid's 'on-going' projects. There were only two of these - the Child Landmine Victims and the Stomalthery Clinic - and I was happy to do this. The first of these was already coming to a close, since our funding was coming to an end and the JRS had already refinanced their project through another Charity. The Stomalthery Clinic was granted three year funding by the Eagle Aid Trustees and as a result I have been distributing £5,000 a quarter to Sister Rudo for the last two years. This funding will come to an end during 2013 and I need, like the JRS, to refinance this project during the next few months.

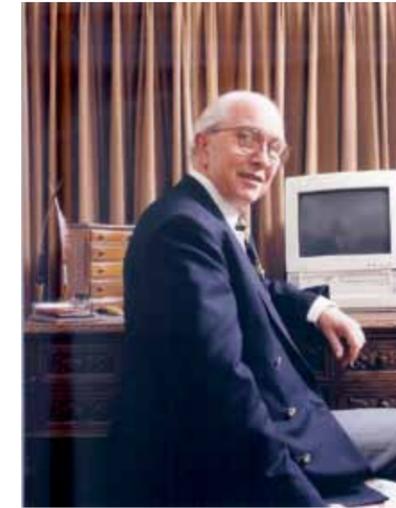
I decided to revive the original spirit of Eagle Aid within my own family charity, Whinfield Charitable Trust, (WCT), which supported the work of Eagle Aid for at least 16 years. In September 2011 my wife Anne and I were delighted to welcome two new Trustees to WCT, namely Richard Brumby and Edmund Page, who will be well known to many, if not all of you. Richard is a Trustee of the Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Trust, while Edmund is the Founder and Manager of Xavier Project. As a result, WCT is now supporting four main projects, namely:

**The Stomalthery Clinic in Harare**

**The Makumbi Children's Home in Zimbabwe**

**The Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Trust**

**and Xavier Project**



It provides the Pilgrimage Trust with an annual donation of about £3,500 and a charitable umbrella for Xavier Project and a donation of £350 a month towards its administration.

The Cancer Clinic, which is run by Sr Rudo and which the late Fr Gerald McCabe, SJ asked me to rescue, is our principal concern. In early November, Sr Rudo sent one of her progress reports which illustrates clearly why this is so. She wrote:

"I have had my visit to South Africa and have bought our double supplies, as planned, so I came home with a lot of stock.

"The Clinic is running very well. Of course we have some people who need our attention every day, but we are coping with that pressure. Before my trip to Johannesburg,

I went to Bulawayo. There is much that is needed for the ostomy and cancer patients there. I had to bring one of the patients back to Harare-Parirenyatwa hospital to provide proper management and monitoring of their situation. There was also an 18 year old woman who had obstructed labour; it was a very desperate situation but the doctors finally managed to remove her baby, uterus and bladder. After these several operations, the girl has got an open hole in her pelvis, a colostomy and a urostomy, meaning that she has to wear two bags at a time. I have to dress both of them and the hole in her pelvis. This has been a traumatic situation for her as she is very young. I am just glad that we have been able to help her; she is recovering well in hospital, but she will need more help to adapt to her new state.

"October was a breast cancer awareness month and for the first time in ages, there was government participation. On a sad note, however, our only radiotherapy machine in Harare is broken down".

If you are able to help, do please visit our new web site at [www.whinfield.org](http://www.whinfield.org).

## JESUIT MISSIONS AND THE LONDON MARATHON

(From David Hurst OS 1970, London Marathon Womble 2009; photos by Iain Ross)

27 runners, 27 medals, 54 sore feet, 134 hours of running, over 2000 hours of training and thousands of pounds raised for Jesuit Projects - welcome to the Jesuit Missions' London Marathon 2012.

All 27 runners in this year's Jesuit Missions team completed the gruelling course on a cool, clear day. This was their seventeenth year of using the London Marathon to raise funds for Jesuit Missions projects in the UK (Jesuit Refugee Service) and overseas in Guyana, Kenya, South Africa and Zimbabwe. To focus their fund-raising efforts, each runner 'adopted' one of eight JM Projects and details of all projects are available.

Representing Stonyhurst were OS Michael Mellows and (left to right in photo overleaf) Dan Layzell, Rupert Jolleys (aka Woosh!), Pete Small, Dom Hoole and Przemyslaw Gotfryd, plus current students



*Khalil Kseib wrote recently to tell us how he took part in the Ironman Challenge to raise money for pancreatic cancer research. He would also like to thank people for their support and sponsorship and at the time of writing to us had raised over £4,000. Here is a blow-by-blow account of the event.*

**Sunday 24th June 2012  
Ironman France - 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike, 26.2 mile run**

The alarm is set for 4am. I needn't have bothered. By 3am I am wide awake, staring blankly at the ceiling. Four hours' sleep. With all the build up over the last six months, it was probably as good as I could have hoped for. Deep breath, roll out of bed.

**4:00am**

I eat a breakfast consisting of porridge oats and milk, nuts and banana, chased down with sports drink. Whilst at this time in the morning food is never first thing on the mind I knew it would be the last proper meal I would eat until sometime late that evening so I eagerly chew down, my stomach in staunch opposition to every mouthful.

**5:00am**

Equipment checklist done, I quickly scan the bike course map one final time before leaving the hotel with sister Natalie, and her friend Dima, who have both come out to support. We jump aboard the first available tram destined for the beach. "How are you feeling?" Nat asks. "Fine", I lie, hiding my primal fear behind a forced smile. Looking around the tram there is an unlikely but happy throng of club revellers, night shift workers and primed athletes donned in their wetsuits and swim caps. It all feels vaguely reminiscent of a scene out of the film "Total Recall".

**5:30am**

We arrive at the Promenade des Anglais in the half light, and I am immediately struck by the sheer volume of people. In the bike transition area there's a hive of intense activity going on in what feels like the world's biggest, most expensive outdoor bike shop. I search for my bike and am crestfallen to find it, eventually, sheltered in between two of the most scarily sophisticated racing bikes I have ever seen. A sickening feeling enters the pit of my stomach - I feel horribly under prepared. I check tyres and load my bike with the staples for the day; water, sports drink, energy bars, salt tablets and, of course, my trusty wine gums.

**6:15am**

After saying our goodbyes, I edge my way down the stony shore toward the start line. I head for the marker "+1hr 12", my anticipated finish time. There's a hum of chatter on the beach, with fear, trepidation and excitement thick in the air at the prospect of the awesome challenge that lies ahead. With over 2000 competitors packed tightly on the shore, the term 'calm before the storm' has never felt so apt. All the positive steps I've taken to prepare myself mentally over the past six months suddenly slip away, and my mind wanders to the opening beach scene in 'Saving Private Ryan' as I imagine the carnage about to transpire.

**6:45am**

We're a full fifteen minutes into the swim and I'm still taking shrapnel from all angles, with elbows, feet and fists connecting ferociously. I'm swallowing saltwater seemingly every time I go for breath. I filter to the left in order to try and escape the crowd. It works and finding my range I finally get into the rhythm I'm desperately looking for. Then, minutes later, a piercing whistle erupts by my left ear. Is that for me?? I stop sharply and look up to find a marshal leaning from his boat, barely more than a metre from

my head. His arm is outstretched pointing to the wave of athletes, like ants, swimming away far in the distance. I'm both terrified and impressed at how much ground I've managed to cover since last looking up, albeit almost entirely in the wrong direction. As if 2.4 miles in the water wasn't enough of a test for me, I somehow manage to get pulled up by the marshals for drifting out of bounds a further two times during the course of the swim.

Approaching the shore at the end of the course, I am grateful to be heaved out of the water by volunteers as relief washes over me. Despite the setbacks, I'm pleasantly surprised as I glance up at the clock to see my time. Swim: 1hr 16mins

**8:00am**

After a leisurely and highly unprofessional transition, I'm on the bike heading into the hills of southern France: 112 miles and, infamously, 4000 metres of climb to negotiate. Here we go; still on the Promenade des Anglais and barely seconds into the ride, almost disaster. "KAL!!!" My head jerks toward the voice in the crowd and my nerves are shot as I veer first to the left, then right, almost losing control and taking out the competition. It's Nat, screaming out my name. For a moment I feel convinced that she's deliberately trying to sabotage my race.

**11:00am**

Three hours into the ride and I'm feeling fatigued, but okay. The menacing "Col D'Ecre" changes all that however; a punishing climb that continues on mercilessly for over 15 miles. A quick scan of the speedometer tells me I'm barely 40 miles into the course, and my mind automatically calculates the 72 miles I have left of this. The temperature is really starting to warm up too, on its way up to a peak for that day of 30 degrees. After the non-stop rain in England I swore I wouldn't complain about the weather, but as I look up at the azure, cloudless sky with its glaring sun beating down, I find it hard to keep to my word. I need every ounce of patience to exorcise negative thoughts and stay in the moment.

**12:30pm**

I take slight comfort in knowing I'm over the worst of the bike section as the course levels out into a vast open expanse with poppy fields on either side of meandering roads. A media helicopter hovers low overhead and as I ride in its shadow, I take in the epic moment.

**1:30pm**

The periodic onslaught of energy bars, sports drink, water, bananas, coke, salt tablets and wine gums starts to take its toll as stomach cramp sets in. With one eye on the run to follow, however, I take on board everything there is on offer at each aid station as I know eating on the run will be next to impossible. I'm already dreaming of a decent meal. Bike: 6 hours 37 mins

**2:45pm**

Running my first ever marathon, I'm truly into unknown territory as I begin the 4 lap course along the Promenade des Anglais to the airport and back. My legs are tired and a pre-race Achilles injury I'm carrying is making itself fully known. The pain is dampened by the adrenaline though and as I pop a final salt tablet (I have already decided I can't and won't take any more) I feel some semblance of strength returning to my legs. In the back of my mind I realise that I'll finish the race in under 12 hours if I'm able to break the 3hrs 45



*Left: OS members of the 2012 Jesuit Missions London Marathon team – Dan Layzell, Rupert Jolleys (aka Woosh!), Pete Small, Dom Hoole and Przemyslaw Gotfryd*

Jess Bolton and Megan Ansbro and staff Michael Gibson and John McGarvey. 'Well done y'all!'

Last, but by no means least, was Mark Millrine, 20 year old student at Bath University and ex pupil of both St Aloysius and Stonyhurst who volunteered to be senior Womble, Great Uncle Bulgaria, for the day. Mark was attempting to break the Guinness World Record for the 'Fastest Marathon as a Book Character' held by Dennis the Menace in 3 hours 2 minutes 30 seconds. Although seen here sprinting to the finishing line, in fact he narrowly missed out!



Every penny that the runners raise, goes to one of the projects which they choose to support. To find out more go to [www.jesuitmissions.org](http://www.jesuitmissions.org) and search Jesuit Missions. **The London Marathon is a most Christian of activities: the thousands of runners run for their charities and the tens of thousands of supporters support the runners. Truly everyone is there on this day of days, in the words of St Ignatius, 'for others'.**

**JESUIT MISSIONS**

Jesuit Missions is an organisation set up to provide support and funds for our missionaries in Guyana, Zimbabwe and South Africa. The missionaries themselves are Jesuits, and their duty is to serve the communities in which they are based. This work includes education, feeding programmes, hospitals, orphanages, community centres and - in times of drought and famine - emergency aid.

As well as supporting the work of British Jesuits, Jesuit Missions assist those from other Provinces working in the developing world. We support missionaries and their work in Rwanda, Nepal, Bosnia, Philippines, Cambodia, India, Kenya and other developing nations.

Jesuit Missions also runs **JM Volunteering**, offering young people the opportunity to work on six-month placements with the Jesuits abroad.

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**ST PETERS' KUBATANA – A STONYHURST 'TWINNED' PROJECT**

One of the eight projects to benefit from funds raised by Marathon runners is the scholarship fund at St Peter's School, Kubatana in Harare. St Peter's and Stonyhurst have been in partnership for six years. At the beginning of 2010, the College launched an appeal for a scholarship fund for pupils at St. Peter's Kubatana. Given the ravages of the economic situation in Zimbabwe, the College is keen to demonstrate its support of St. Peter's Kubatana. One tangible way of

doing this is to enable pupils of limited means to have the opportunity of an education. A boy called Tendai started at St Peter's Kubatana two years ago when his father, who is the sole breadwinner of the family, was left badly injured in a violent attack. Without the support of a scholarship fund, Tendai would have had to have left school at the age of thirteen to find whatever menial employment he could find because he could no longer attend school. Now he has the hope and opportunity for a better future for him and his family.

Since the inception of this fund, five pupils have been selected as the beneficiaries of the programme. They were selected not only because of their desperate financial situation, but also because of their talent and potential to benefit most from an education and to better their lives and those around them.



*Nik Hartley OS 81- 89 has written recently, briefly mentioning his activities and in particular describing his latest charity work.*

Ever since I left the College, I have been involved in what these days is termed 'international development'. From a year working with out-of-school youth in Jamaica, three years in South America, seven in Africa... I have had an incredibly rewarding career. And not least on the last few years at Restless Development, to which I was appointed CEO a year ago.

Restless Development is doing something rather special. Turning the concept of 'Charity' on its head (not least charity and charities which have traditionally worked to tackle poverty in developing countries) it hands the reins over entirely to young people.

Focussing on three areas: HIV prevention, livelihoods (jobs and tackling the causes of community poverty) and civic participation, especially in post-conflict countries, each year Restless Development gives about 1000 young Africans and South Asians (and some international young people too) the opportunity to spend up to a year of their lives, leading projects and programmes which have measured and sustained impact in these three goals. They are reaching, not far off half a million children and young people, week in and week out, with the programmes they run.

After some thorough external evaluations, it is clear that the impact the young people are having is second to none. Sexually transmitted infections have halved, household incomes doubled and the engagement of young people in long term peace and development processes achieved. In Sierra Leone, our young volunteer development professionals, who now run a national youth service programme, developed a youth manifesto for the elections last month, leading to a drop in violence and a notable increase in young people going out to vote.

Aside from the impact why does any of this matter? In Europe, we are an ageing population and one in long term recession. In the counties where we work it is the opposite: strong growth, offset

by an exponentially growing youth population. In Zambia half the population is under 15. Half under 15! And the fertility rate is nearly seven children per mother. Next door in Tanzania, nearly a million young people come onto the job market - either from school or not- every year. Tanzania's economic growth is averaging over 5% per year. Many African countries are 7 or 8%; something for which the British Prime Minister would bite off his hand. But not even doubling this strong growth would meet the livelihood needs of these burgeoning youth populations.

That is why it matters. Restless Development is not a charity which aims to alleviate the symptoms of poverty, or even to bring skills from outside. It is working to tap into this vast demographic - young people- and help them realise, not just their potential, but their capacity to change their own countries' futures; to take up the lead role in poverty alleviation and in wealth creation, disease prevention and ultimately a sustained positive direction for their countries.

On November 1st, we brought these brilliant young people from around the world to lead (note not just 'participate in') a two-hour meeting with the UN's High Level Panel chaired by David Cameron, that is charged with deciding the direction of global development beyond 2015. The conclusion: these young people have ideas, are already changing their societies and must be central to global policy and practice. I have never been more proud of young people, with whom I have had the privilege of working ever since I was 18 when I trudged off to learn about the world, beginning with Jamaica in 1989.

For more information please do not hesitate to get in touch with Nik. Their website is:

[www.restlessdevelopment.org](http://www.restlessdevelopment.org)

where you can read about their work and news. Nik Hartley left Stonyhurst in 1989.

minute mark for the marathon. Clearly it's a big 'if' but whether or not I am capable of it, I take the decision to maintain the goal as my sole focus.

#### 3:30pm

First lap done, I sight Nat and Dima in the corner of my eye but completely fail, in my dilapidated state, to notice a giant "GO KAL, GO!" sign they had made for me. Psychologically, the thought of having to do the same 6 mile stretch another 3 times over is mildly inconvenient.

#### 4:30pm

The toll from the day's events is now visible everywhere. I have already seen various competitors vomiting, keeled over by the side of the road, and hobbling. The sad sight of an athlete lying in the road with medics all around, having been clipped by a pedestrian as she approached the final metres of the bike course, is gut-wrenching.

There is also inspiration, and I find myself overwhelmed and humbled as I see a man participating in the race who has only one leg. Totally unbelievable.

#### 5:30pm

One lap to go. I know that on an ordinary day running 6 miles would be doable, but I am spent and utterly exhausted. Surely this was the infamous 'wall' I had heard about from marathon runners? Before I can contemplate the thought further I am snapped back to reality by a Frenchman named Erwan who, with two simple words, asks a question which at that moment is like music to my ears. "Moins douze?" His intentions are clear. He wants to complete the race in under 12 hours and drag me along with him. Together we go, and without saying a word, get to work. The visceral pain felt at every step starts to ease back as I regain focus. I allow myself a moment to

think of the journey I have been through to get here, the hours of training and, most importantly, the underlying reasons for doing the race. As we turn back from the airport for a final time I find myself welling up as I see the finishing post as a dot in the distance, still over two miles away.

#### 6:30pm

Approaching the finish line I do what I can to enjoy the moment as I hear my name yelled over the tannoy together with those words, "YOU. ARE. AN. IRONMAN!!!" I feel totally numb. I have an immediate, deep sense that it has all been worth the blood, sweat and tears, but I don't feel the elation I was hoping for. I'm in too much pain. I hobble over to Nat, hug her through the mesh fence and stand there in silence as I struggle to form any words. "How are you feeling?" she asks. "Fine", I lie.

Run: 3hrs 43mins; total time: 11hrs 54mins.

# THE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2012

ROBIN MELLOWS

*This year's Stonyhurst Pilgrimage to Lourdes was the biggest ever - some 135 Pilgrims in all. What is it that attracts people?*

FOR THE ASSISTED PILGRIMS there is a week of freedom! No need to worry about any aspect of care or mobility - and the opportunity to attend all the events of the week. Assisted Pilgrims in the hotel may not need any help looking after themselves, but there can be a lot of walking while on the Pilgrimage. So trips to the big churches for Mass and the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing, or outings to the shops and tours of the town - not to mention processions in the day and by torchlight in the evening - are all made possible by the willing helpers who can push them in wheelchairs. Assisted Pilgrims in the Accueil (Hospital) may need a considerable amount of care - from assistance with dressing and going to bed, to the need to be helped with meals. Many are housebound or in 24 hour care at home. A week of activity such as they experience in Lourdes would not be possible anywhere else.

The helpers are of all ages - many families have three generations on the Pilgrimage. There are young helpers from Poetry and Rhetoric, and recent OS. There are older OS with young children, and parents of current and recent pupils. And some of the parents are of not quite so recent OS. It is not just a "Holy Holiday" for these families - they all do their turn as helpers.

The young helpers have fun in Lourdes - but what brings them back time and time again is the feeling of being needed and appreciated by those needing assistance. Learning about the ways in which we can be of practical help to other people - and the reward of satisfaction that it brings - can change peoples' lives. If the seed of learning to serve others has been sown at Stonyhurst, it germinates in Lourdes, and gets the chance to grow into other areas of the



young helpers' lives as they go on to higher education and careers. They join in all the other activities as well. A conversation was heard between two young helpers this year (after the Reconciliation service) which went something like "I had a really good Confession this year". "Yes so did I". One wonders what one has to do to be in the position of needing a "good confession"!

Never forget the Assisted Pilgrims in all this, though. Some make their first trip to Lourdes in the ninth decade of life and discover they can do things they really would not have thought possible!

The Pilgrimage Trust is still making new efforts to raise money to support its work. Funds are needed to subsidise needy Assisted Pilgrims and young helpers alike. This year the Raffle was a great success. Please buy tickets again next year - but if anyone has the means to donate prizes, these would be greatly appreciated.

*Any enquiries about the Pilgrimage and the Trust should be made to Beverley Sillitoe in the Association Office.*

## The Stonyhurst Holy Week Retreat: 28 - 31 March 2013

The Holy Week Retreat has been held at Stonyhurst for many, many years. It has become an integral part of the yearly calendar and valued highly by those who attend year after year.

The Retreat provides full board accommodation from Maundy Thursday afternoon, to Easter Sunday morning, making it possible for entire families, including babies less than 12 months old, to participate throughout the weekend. It is an excellent opportunity for the whole family to meet with various relatives.

The programme is arranged on a loose division between children and adults. The children are assembled according to age and have specific sessions for their groups. Adults are given a choice of a number of workshops, which they can choose to opt in or out of. Examples of these would be, "Outdoor Stations of the Cross", "Holy Week in Art" and "Why did Jesus Die?"

Each year there is a Keynote Speaker as well as a Reconciliation Service. All Retreatants participate in the main Holy Week Services, although for some of the younger children, this will be in a modified form. There is also plenty of time for leisure activities such as swimming, tennis or walks, or to simply enjoy the beautiful and tranquil surroundings amongst friends and family.

### The Holy Week Retreat Programme

#### Maundy Thursday

Arrivals during the afternoon  
Open Meeting  
Liturgy 8.30pm

#### Good Friday

Morning Prayer  
Keynote Speaker  
Workshops  
Good Friday Passion Liturgy

#### Holy Saturday

Extended Morning Prayer  
Reconciliation Service and opportunity for Confessions  
Workshops  
Solemn Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday

Mass in St Peter's Church

For many people the retreat provides both a holiday and a valuable Holy Week experience. There is the sense of doing something very spiritual, whilst also enjoying a relaxing few days. As a result, the retreat is growing in popularity, with 270 people attending the 2012 retreat.

If you would like more information or have any questions regarding the Holy Week Retreat, please contact Rebecca Grigg ([devco@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:devco@stonyhurst.ac.uk) / 01254 827014). The booking form for the 2013 retreat will be available online shortly.

# OS MAN IN IRAN

MARK BRINKLEY OS 02 - 07

ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS for languages degrees at Cambridge is a year abroad in a country where that language is spoken. This makes sense, otherwise the fourth year papers would just be too difficult.

For students of Persian, though, this has traditionally posed a bit of a problem. Persian is spoken in Iran and Afghanistan. Cambridge can't approve a year abroad in a war zone, and although they do accept Tajikistan as next-best, Iran is really the best option. But going to Iran is easier said than done.

First of all, it's pretty hard to get a visa. There's no recipe for success, it's just a bit of a gamble for holders of British passports and, of course, visas cost money.

On getting there, Cambridge dictates that we have to work or study. Iran dictates that we can only study, and only in one institute in Tehran which then, unsurprisingly, has a monopoly on course fees from foreigners.

So, it can be tricky sourcing the cash for travel, visas, and overpriced course fees – considerations that hardly seemed to feature for many of our peers in Modern and Mediaeval Languages who, for all we could see, spent their time contentedly supping at fine wines and fresh cappuccinos, at ease and affluent in their easily easyjettable destinations of choice.

Luckily for me, the Stonyhurst Association and the British Institute of Persian Studies stepped in to the rescue with a sufficiency of funds.

The next question was how to get all this new found cash to Iran, and budget the trip most effectively and economically.

Due to the sanctions on Iran, it is difficult to access money from abroad; I was advised that it would be best to take everything for the trip in cash with me. So I set off on a cheap flight for Istanbul in February 2011<sup>1</sup> with five months' worth of the Queen's finest in pounds sterling burning a sweaty hole in my concealed money-belt.

On Valentine's Day I crossed the Bosphorus and boarded my train, slightly apprehensive and not entirely sure what to expect. Earlier that day I'd heard that shockwaves from the Arab Spring had



sparked protests and tear gas in Iranian city streets.

Three days, four nights and a ferry crossing over Lake Van later, where the baggage cars cross the lake and then attach to a new, Iranian, train on the other side, and I was safely enjoying the hospitality of friends in Tabriz, while I worked out what to do next.

It was a short-lived break. Calling my institute in Tehran to enquire when I needed to register, I was surprised at the panicked response when they heard that I was in Iran, but not in Tehran, that I'd gone AWOL since crossing the border.

Apparently, students usually fly in, register and go straight to their accommodation. I had also failed to clock that in Iran the working week is different; arriving on a Saturday, I thought that no-one would be in the office until Monday so I would be lost and homeless had I stayed on the train as far as Tehran. In fact, the Iranian working week is Saturday to Wednesday, with Thursday and Friday off. The gist of it was that I must turn up at my institute within the next twenty four hours or I'd be kicked out of the country and they'd all lose their jobs, judging by the slightly crazed tone of voice of the lady on the phone.

So turn up I did. Fresh (or, not really) off the night bus to Tehran, I had a couple of hours to kill so I stopped by a breakfast café for my first taste of the Iranian version of a full English: choice bits of the head and trotters of a sheep (I could choose from a long list, largely incomprehensible to me at the time, of brain, tongue, cheek, eyeball...), served with the broth they were boiled in, lemon juice, cinnamon and fresh bread. At

nine I went in to the institute, explained myself (they were smiling and welcoming, and seemed far less bothered, as if I didn't need to flog half way across the country in a mad panic), read some forms, signed some forms, went to the bank, had an interview and a written assessment of my Persian. Still not sure where I was going to stay, I dumped my bags and sheepishly entered my first Persian literature class a couple of hours late, and three weeks into the course.

I'd like to say that things got better once that class was out of the way, but they had to get a little worse first. I am a stubborn budget-fiend and was also adamant that I lived with Iranians if I had to live with anyone at all. So I turned down the hostels in North Tehran close to the institute, where the air is fresher and the mountains rise up out of the city. Instead, I underwent a speedy initiation into Tehran transport as I headed by bus and shared taxi, into the belly of the city.

I had opted to stay in The White House Residence, which was very affordable, and judging by its name and price, sounded pretty good. But even two years of cubicles at Stonyhurst couldn't prepare me for what greeted me there.

There were six of us in my basement room; three bunk beds lined the walls, leaving just enough space for a humming fridge and the door. The walls weren't really walls but semi-transparent partitions with about six such rooms on each floor, which rattled whenever doors opened or closed. I had a creaky locker with a dodgy looking lock (remember how I had five month's cash in my pants?). The place had been fumigated by burning a foul-smelling herb, and was incredibly stuffy, with gas heaters

# BEYOND THE JORDAN

PATRICK PAGE OS 02 - 07

I HAVE JUST COME BACK from seven months studying Modern Standard Arabic in Jordan. Originally, I hoped to study in Damascus, but, although at the time the capital of Syria was deemed to be safe, I decided not to risk it...

Jordan is a complex Kingdom of about 6.5 million people, of whom over half are of Palestinian origin. The country is about 95% Muslim, Christians make up the other 5%, and the latter, by constitutional decree, over-represent themselves by twice in parliament (10%). They are an historic community in Jordan (they comprised 30% of the population in 1950) and the waves of immigration from all over the middle-east mean that you can find Christians of all denominations. Within my area alone one can attend a Coptic, a Greek Orthodox or a Baptist service and, still within my parish, if you are a picky catholic, you could attend Roman, Greek Melkite or Chaldean (Iraqi) rite masses.

The country has very few natural resources, but has been a haven for refugees from Palestine, Iraq, Kuwait and now, of course, Syria. The country thus relies on American and Gulf aid and oil. It has been carefully guided by the Hashemite dynasty through the cataclysmic troubles of what King Abdullah II calls his 'tough neighbourhood'. In 1994 for instance, Jordan became the only Arabic country, apart from Egypt, to sign a peace treaty with Israel. However, with the

economic crisis, the resulting loss of basic subsidies, increasing calls for tangible reform, regional instability, the influx of hundreds of thousands of refugees, combined with soaring corruption and a complex demographic, the apparently stable situation is extremely precarious.

My first impressions of Jordan were not totally positive. The weather was drearily cold, and I could see my breath when I woke up in the morning. We had no real heating, so I slept with 3 duvets and read with a head-torch under my covers. Living in a 10 floor building, in a spiritless suburb boasting nothing but a perverted barber and a dead cat called Gareth, I led a rather inane life of studying, gym and going out drinking with Americans. This was far from my immature orientalist dreams of playing backgammon with bearded be-robed sheikhs in *argileh* (sheesha) cafés, drinking mint-tea while their camels waited outside: and a *very good lesson it was too*. The above dream is of course an exaggeration, but I soon realised that much of the Middle-East, even outside the famously westernized Gulf, has more to do with Manhattan than Marrakesh.

I was further frustrated by the language. Because, in fact, one should say 'languages'. Modern Standard Arabic is the formal version of Arabic, based on the language of the Qur'an. It is the language that you will find on BBC Arabic, or Al-Jazeera, and in

guzzling whatever oxygen was left. Due to the protests, though, I was told not to go out at all, especially since I was a foreigner; one man even said a student had been killed on our street that day. That was never confirmed, but nonetheless unnerved me a bit on arrival. To add to my claustrophobia, phones and internet were disrupted because of the unrest. Protests or no protests, pollution, slushy winter streets and noisy traffic took the edge off the appeal of fresh outside air. I might as well have taken up smoking and then at least enjoyed it.

A dodgy geezer tried to flatter me then borrow my money, but the lorry driver in my room backed me up. The other inhabitants of my room were a crack addict, a shopkeeper, a runaway who worked at the cinema museum, and a guy who never talked that no-one seemed to like.

From there, though, things really picked up. Iranians would be, and were, just as horrified to hear my story as OS readers may be now. Worse things happen in London, especially to foreign students moving in with not much money and no friends. As it was, I was in the privileged position of living with Iranians representing a diverse cross section of a massive country. Some were studying for their PhD's, one was a failed kickboxing champ, others taught me to cook, most fed me what they cooked. What's more, they were all stuck there full

time and trying to make the best of their lives. I was just taking a little time out. My classes were excellent, and it was a delight to spend so much time on Persian literature.

The claustrophobia of my accommodation had its own silver lining, getting me out and about to enjoy the city and the rest of the country. Travel in Iran is cheap, easy and comfortable, and there's a huge amount to see, in terms of both natural diversity (snowy mountains, jungles, beaches, deserts, gardens) and cultural heritage – Iran is home to the oldest continuous surviving civilisation on earth. As it is, Iran attracts quite a lot of tourists, especially those hoping to get off the beaten track. I've often

wondered how it might be, were it easier to get a visa, and a cold beer, once you're there.

I could go on. Boozy parties in North Tehran apartments; a beach holiday on the Persian Gulf; Iranian New Year 1390 (!) enjoying warm hospitality and warm spring breezes in Esfahan - arguably one of Iran's most beautiful cities; food! – fresh-baked bread and mouth-watering melons; visits to friends studying in Qom - the heart of Shi'a Islam in Iran - with walks and long chats about life, religion and women. The list goes on, but I will stop, and say a big thank you to all the people who helped and supported me on a trip of a lifetime.

Goodbye, Iran!



<sup>1</sup> (it took until half way through my year abroad to get my Iranian visa. In the meantime I was studying Persian in Moscow, but that's another story.)

newspapers. One might compare it to Latin in the middle-ages, the European language of literature, but not spoken on a day to day basis. Although everyone understands MSA, very few will reply to you in that dialect. So even when we had picked up the basics of MSA, we felt like, and were kindly made to feel like, total idiots when trying to speak in the street. Think Shakespeare trying to buy socks in Camden Market...

So I started to learn Colloquial Arabic from friends, the demotic Arabic, *'ammiyya*. I thought I was getting along quite well until I made some good Jordanian friends who got over the barrier of politeness and started to laugh at me. Why? Because I spoke the girly version of *'ammiyya*, the Lebanese dialect. In Jordan, men are supposed to speak like a Bedouin, guttural and rough, while women are supposed to speak like urbane Lebanese, a soft accent. This is not just a question of accent, but also vocabulary, phraseology, and, to a lesser extent, grammar. Oh, and by the way, there is also within Jordan, just for fun, an urban Palestinian accent and a Palestinian rural accent. One furtively ubiquitous letter, the 'qaf', can be pronounced as a 'q' (Iraqi and MSA), a 'k' (Palestinian *felaahi*, peasant), a 'g' (Jordanian Midlands/Beduwi accent) or simply not pronounced at all (Lebanese and urban Palestinian).

So, not only do people not speak the language I am learning, but the dialect they speak depends on which region they are from, then if they are urban or rural, then if they are male or female. Flummoxed, befuddled and discombobulated I decided to dive into this riot of dialects, which is labelled with the deceptively short word, 'Arabic'. I am heading back into Jordan in September 2012 to study 'Arabic' for a further year.

After the first three months living between a cold rock and a confusing culture, cursing the lack of drains, and the monolithic quietness of our middle-class suburbs, I was visited by my grandmother, Angela Page. 'Grangela', yanking us out from under the rock with a smile, took my *Amriki* flatmate and myself on an adventure through Jordan. Our Bedouin driver took us down the ancient trade-route of the 'King's Highway', through everlasting flat deserts and deep canyons, to see ancient Christian mosaic-maps in the historic Christian town of Madaba, Mt. Nebo, the mountain from which Moses was shown the Promised Land (a dry, straggly, and disappointing lot if you ask me), and then to Petra. This 'rose-red' city has had too much written about it, using terrible clichés so I will say no more, except that this strange and stunning desert city

provides excellent opportunity for decent scrambling, which we all did, including, to the unsuppressed delight of the guide, my intrepid grandmother.

After Petra we drove to Wadi Rum, the 'vast, echoing and god-like' desert valley of T.E Lawrence fame. There, after more scrambling, and watching the sunset from a promontory, we settled down in a camp and were given *zerb*, a supper cooked underground in a Bedouin method.

In Jordan we do a lot of trekking, rock-climbing and canyoning but we also tend to head into western Israel to let off steam, and I was lucky that one of my flatmates had family in Jerusalem. My Jewish friend and I had many a fascinating conversation with some genuinely thoughtful taxi drivers. Did we know for instance that 'Jews have never had good relations with the Muslims' (but what about Andalusia? Iraq? Iran?), or that 'all Jews who have hair growing long from their temples consider it permissible to take innocent Muslim blood?' Moreover, we are informed, (strangely, a little known fact), Iran and Israel are best friends, and are conspiring to exact more money from America, and, furthermore, Israel has been working with Al-Qaeda in Damascus to plant bombs, even though, it is alleged, Israel and Assad were friends. Considering the way in which the 'West' has dealt with the 'East', it is not surprising that the Arab world suspects deception at every corner.

Similar ideas can be found on both sides: I visited a Jewish-Israeli settlement near Jerusalem, illegal in international law, called Gush Etzion, where the settlers and their families perambulate happily with machine guns slung lackadaisically on their backs, which they hang up by the coats outside the synagogue before prayers. Some of

these genuinely kind and hospitable people informed us that all Arabs want to kill Jews; just give them the opportunity and they will force the Jews 'back into the sea'. Again, considering Israel's history, their security fears are not totally unfounded.

The last seven months in the Middle-East has been both fascinating and troubling. Talking to Israelis and Palestinians one can't just chant the *oft-heard-in-hostels* mantra '*the people just want to be friends and it is the leaders who make the problems*'. The above mentioned viewpoints are of course extremes. However, at the moment, the majority of Israelis are right-wing, and many are, it seems to me, hawkishly so, while Palestinians on the other hand seem to be showing increasing support for groups such as Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the like, while more dovish Fatah, which recognises Israel's right to exist, is fast losing any claim to credibility due to constant allegations of corruption and lack of progress with regards to creation of a state. Such progress is made almost impossible however since Israeli settlements in the Palestinian territories abound, are growing fast, and are encircling Jerusalem. Palestinians are losing patience. The possibility of a two-state solution is in its last throes. It is hard to be optimistic.

However I can recommend Jordan to anyone for a visit; it is very accessible, with a strong tradition of hospitality, packed with culture and history, as well as being, for the time being, safe. I have written a touristy blog for the Jordanian Tourist Board after being promised freebies from them, which will give you a better sense of the riches Jordan has to offer, ([www.ammonite-ammanjordan.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.ammonite-ammanjordan.blogspot.co.uk)). I have precisely two followers for this blog, and as yet have received no freebies.



## THE ARTS

DAVID MERCER

### BOOKS

In the first 100 years at Stonyhurst, the following people wrote and published books, works of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Some were exceedingly prolific: Percy Fitzgerald wrote nearly two hundred books and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle was to become rich and famous through his writing.

Lord Arundell of Wardour, Alfred Austin, Nicholas Ball, Rev. Vaughan Barnwell, Rev. Roger Baxter, Rev. C. Barraud, John Digby Beste, W. Scawen Blunt, Sir Rowland Blennerhasset, Rev C. Boardman DD, Laurence Bliss, Hugh Charles Lord Clifford, Rev. A Cortie, R Chichester, Claude Condell, Bishop Clifford, Fr Curtis, A Conan Doyle, Rev. J Fairclough, Percy Fitzgerald, Rev. P Gandolphy, Rev P Gallwey, Rev J Gerard, Edward Holmes, Rev. R Hamilton, Alban Hart, Rev. T Hughes, Charles W E Jerningham, Admiral Jerningham, Miles Gerald Keon, Austin King, Hon. Charles Langdale, Rev. W Loughnan, Thomas Francis Meagher, Dr. Oliver, Right Rev. Lord Petre, Archbishop Porter, Robert Rockliff, Rev. John Rickaby, Rev. Joseph Rickaby, Francis Renshaw, William Rogers, Rev. Hyacinth Rossi OSB, Richard Lalor Shiel, Rev Fr Sisk OC, Walter Sweetman, Earl of Shrewsbury, Rev. J Splaine, Rev. H Thurston, Rev F Trappes, Cardinal Vaughan, John George Vanderhoff, Rev. B Vaughan, Sir Thomas Wyse, Stephen Woulfe, Charles Waterton, Rev. James Waterworth DD, Rev. W Waterworth, Rev. Alfred Weld, Oswald Walmsley.

Later writers include: Thomas Burns, editor of the Tablet; Fr Martin D'Arcy SJ, Master of Champion Hall, Jesuit Provincial and man of letters; Oliver St John Gogarty, Irish wit and politician, characterised by James Joyce in *Ulysses*; Joseph Plunkett, Irish rebel, patriot and poet; Basil Macdonald Hastings, playwright and father of Douglas Macdonald Hastings, author, broadcaster and journalist; General Vernon Walters, US Presidential advisor and diplomat.

There are several writers who, whilst not actually OS, spent time at Stonyhurst and perhaps were also inspired by the Eagle Towers and the stimulating atmosphere. One thinks of, Gerard Manley Hopkins, Evelyn Waugh, JR Tolkien and Reginald Horsley, the school doctor. However OS continue to be active in the field of literature, providing a steady stream of additions to the More Library. Of contemporary writers, perhaps Paul Johnson has produced the most publications but many have written and published more than one book. Here are a few recent works:

#### John Bright - Statesman, Orator, Agitator

By Bill Cash MP (OS) Published by I.B.Tauris ISBN 9781848859968

At the re-opening of St.Peter's in January, I was fortunate to be given a copy of, "John Bright, Statesman, Orator, Agitator" as a present for the History Departmental Library. In a touching letter which accompanied the book, its author Bill Cash MP (OS) explained that he could not have achieved what he has in life: Degree in History from Lincoln College, Oxford, Barrister, Conservative MP for Stafford and then Stone, member of the Shadow Cabinet, Shadow Attorney General and Shadow Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs, without his education at Stonyhurst. In particular, now that he has written this book, he appreciates more fully, "...the moral purpose which underpins conviction, principle and the difference between right and wrong - derived from a proper religious education."

Published to coincide with the bicentenary of Bright's birth in November 1811, the book begins with the question, "Who is John Bright?". To anyone living in the Nineteenth Century this question would have been absurd. Yet Bright's significance is in danger of being forgotten. This is the first biography of John Bright to be published in over thirty years. Born in Rochdale, Bright was a Quaker whose early life was blighted by illness. After a limited education, undertaken in part at Newton in Boland near Stonyhurst, he went to work in his family's mill aged 15. He was to become one of the greatest Parliamentarians of the Nineteenth Century with a political career which lasted for almost fifty years as MP for Durham, Manchester and Birmingham. Karl Marx referred to him as, "One of the greatest orators that England has ever produced." His speeches could attract audiences of 150,000 people. Abraham Lincoln had a cutting from one of his speeches in his pocket at the time of his assassination in 1865.

The book charts the political career of a man who was involved at the heart of many of the key political changes of the period. Beginning with the Anti-Corn Law League in 1839, Bright, in collaboration with Richard Cobden, fought for the principles of Free Trade and Electoral Reform. He campaigned against the Crimean War, on the side of the North against Slavery in America and against Irish Home Rule. His relations with the other great leaders of the time were profoundly complex, although even his greatest opponents respected him. In contrast to Disraeli, for example, who was clearly preoccupied with the greasy pole of self-advancement, Bright did not seek adulation for his achievements. As Cash states, "Bright was an outsider. He chose to operate for the most part as a backbencher outside government, driving events and speaking for the great mass of people excluded and ignored by a parliamentary system still largely dominated by the aristocracy."

Bill Cash has a significant family connection to John Bright who was his great grandfather's cousin. One of the great strengths of the book is its personal nature and the fact that it is written by one Parliamentarian about another. Indeed, the title, could well apply to a biography of the writer himself. More than one reviewer has suggested that Cash is an erstwhile heir to the John Bright tradition of parliamentary nonconformity and independence. The work is very much a labour of love and has been almost twenty years in the writing. During this time convictions, principles and the values derived from proper religious education may not have been at the heart of British politics. This timely book with its eloquent prose and passionate appreciation of Parliament restores the place of John Bright amongst Parliamentarians and in so doing calls for a reappraisal of the nature and purpose of politics itself.

MJT

#### La Roja: A journey through Spanish football

By Jimmy Burns (OS) Published by Simon & Schuster ISBN 978-0857206527

Jimmy Burns OS has produced a timely book looking at how politics, history and football have shaped the development of modern Spain, and in particular, how the country has produced a team which has produced some brilliant players.

The author traces the development of Spanish football from a game introduced by the English to the regions of Spain, through to the

current golden generation of players who are European and world champions.

During the first few decades of the 20th century, the English game quickly gained in popularity and professional teams were founded.

After the brutal civil war of the late 1930's, General Franco basked in the success of Real Madrid as the team were champions of Europe five times in a row.

The book examines the changes in post war Spain as a country which slowly grows in confidence and stature is reflected on the football pitch.

The growing rivalry between Real Madrid and FC Barcelona reflects the lasting regional differences in Spain, which often meant that until the last few years, the national team failed to fulfil its potential.

The theme of the changing society is captured by the author in the various interviews carried out with former players and administrators, as a more liberal Spain finds its voice in both its domestic and national successes.

The final part of the book examines the recent blossoming of the national team (La Roja) which has produced some beautiful football on the way to become the first team ever to win three titles in a row Europe (2008, 2012) and World Cup (2010).

The author examines how the various players have been able to put aside domestic rivalry and bond as a team that has produced high quality football, and left coaches around the world wondering how such a team can be stopped.

*Paul Gavin OS 1989.*

### Britanniae

By Mark O'Sullivan (OS) Published by Starbank Press ISBN 978-0-9569812-0-2

'This book is an exciting story of discovery, treason and passion, set in a time of fascinating changes in world history. When it opens we find a young woman, Flavia, holding her own, running the family estate after the death of her parents and harbouring secret ambitions for literary success. Then comes mysterious news of her brother's disappearance north of Hadrian's Wall. As rumours mount of political plots and of barbarian threats, she sets off on a journey through Britain in which she encounters love, a new future, and a chance of scholarly fame. Things come to a climax in Whithorn, where a Christian missionary is struggling to make progress.'

*'Somerville is clearly a thoughtful writer...there's a rich plot, and some lovely vivid local colour'*  
**GUARDIAN**

Max and Tine have escaped to the idyllic Greek island of Tine's childhood summers. Their relationship is on the brink of consummation and the seductive heat and stunning scenery of their secluded holiday home are a heady combination.

Yet from the moment they arrive, Tine seems tense. Preoccupied with keeping his own demons at bay, Max struggles to understand the barriers to their intimacy. As the hot, sticky days roll on Tine becomes ever more distant, obsessed with the idea that the house is being watched. Soon Max himself begins to sense shadows beneath the tranquil beauty of the island. For every island has a past, every person a secret history...

*'Intriguing... exciting psycho-erotic thriller'*  
**Telegraph**

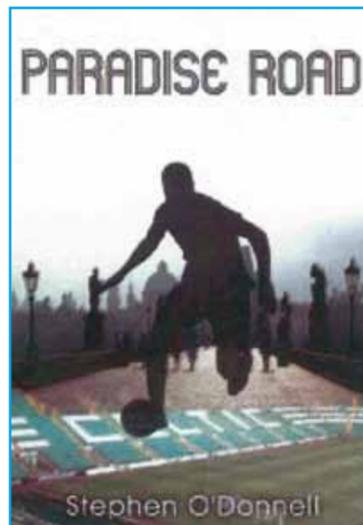
*'Singularly musical in its voice... a summer read to be kept - and visited in the dark days of winter'*  
**Economist**

Above: **The Shape of Her** by Rowan Somerville (OS) Published by Phoenix Press ISBN 978-07538-2859-5

### Paradise Road

By Steven O'Donnell (OS) - a first novel Published by Ringwood Publishing ISBN 9781901514070

The story of Kevin McGarry, a young man from the West of Scotland, who as a youngster was one of the most talented footballers of his generation in Scotland. Through a combination of injury and disillusionment, Kevin is forced to abandon any thoughts of playing the game he loves, professionally. Instead he settles for following his favourite team, Glasgow Celtic as a spectator, while at the same time resignedly and with a characteristically wry sense of humour, trying to eke out a living as a joiner. It is a story of hopes and dreams, idealism and disillusionment, of growth in the face of adversity and disappointment. Paradise Road examines some of the major themes affecting football today, such as the power and role of the media, standards in the Scottish game and the sectarianism which pervades not only football in Glasgow but also the wider community. More than simply



a novel about football or football fandom, the book offers a portrait of the character and experiences of a section of the Irish Catholic community of the West of Scotland and considers the role of young working-class men in our modern, post-industrial society.

### ART



The earliest known artist associated with the College goes back to St Omer days. Giles Hussey was born in 1710 in Dorset and on his return from his education in France, he was apprenticed to Jonathan Richardson to learn the art of portraiture and made the first portrait of Charles Edward Stuart, the 'Young Pretender'. He tended to specialise in him and has works in the Tate Gallery but he became obsessed with his theory about musical notes being aligned with colours of the spectrum. However, these ideas received little attention.

Later his drawings and paintings became valued for their spectacular detail and commanded high prices.

Sir Bernard Partridge OS 1873 - 1878 was mainly a book illustrator and became the chief cartoonist of Punch. This cartoon depicts his fellow OS, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle with his famous brainchild, Sherlock Holmes.



A large picture painted by Sir Bernard illustrating the plight of Belgium during the First World War hangs in the Academy Room Gallery at the College in some need of restoration. This small drawing of the picture featured on a postage stamp. The College and the Association have agreed to share the cost of restoring the picture to commemorate 100 years since the beginning of the Great War.

Fiction  
A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK

*'Unputdownable.'* —*The Washington Post*

When Ambrose Tree is summoned by his ancient uncle to the brooding mansion Drogo Hall, he suspects it's to hear the old man's dying words and then collect a sizable inheritance. He has no idea he is about to learn the bizarre story of Harry Peake, Cornish smuggler turned poet who became a monster capable of the most horrifying acts. Or that he's about to become psychologically enmeshed in the riveting life of Harry's daughter, Martha, who flees her father for colonial America, where she becomes a heroic figure in the revolution against England. Or that he himself has a crucial role to play in this mesmerizing tale as it rushes headlong and hauntingly toward its powerful climax. *Martha Peake* is a spellbinding alloy of Gothic mystery and historical romance.

*'A sweeping mytho-historical novel par excellence.'*  
—*Minneapolis Star Tribune*

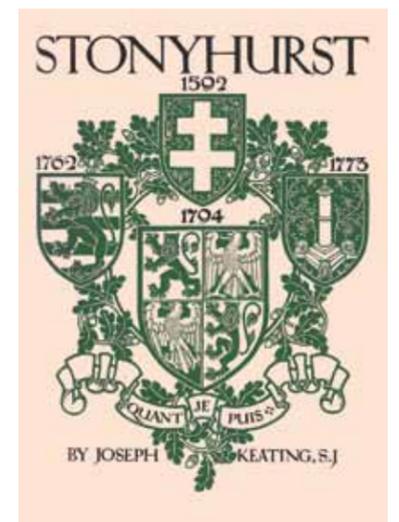
*'[Martha Peake] has rare qualities of power and urgency... [Readers] are carried along by the eloquence and the energy and the brilliantly managed narrative pace.'*  
—*The New York Times Book Review*

Above: **Martha Peake** by Patrick McGrath (OS) Published by Vintage Contemporaries ISBN 0-375-70131-1

As well as producing stained glass windows, Paul Woodrofe OS 1887, was an illustrator of books, especially Shakespeare or children's books. (Below: *The Tempest*).



He and his colleague Raymond Binns OS 1897, another talented illustrator (described in this year's issue of the Stonyhurst Record) designed the Stonyhurst coat of arms used on the cover of the Magazine, War Record and the book *Stonyhurst* by Fr Keating SJ



Ellen Riley Charleuf OS, RIP was born in Hurst Green and demonstrated her talent whilst at Stonyhurst. She was the North West winner in the ITV programme Brush with Fame and her work had already been exhibited in the National Portrait Gallery. Ellen went to Paris to pursue her artistic career and there met Cedric Charleuf, another artist, but in November 2009, just before her first solo exhibition she was diagnosed with a brain tumour. After an operation for this, she and Cedric married at St Peter's, Stonyhurst.

The cancer turned out to be incurable but it did not stop her working and she was kept extremely busy with commissions for churches, the Society of Jesus and individual portraits, regarding her work as therapeutic.. 'time is ticking and I've got paintings to do.' She and her husband moved into the College as artists -in - residence' and an inspiration for pupils.

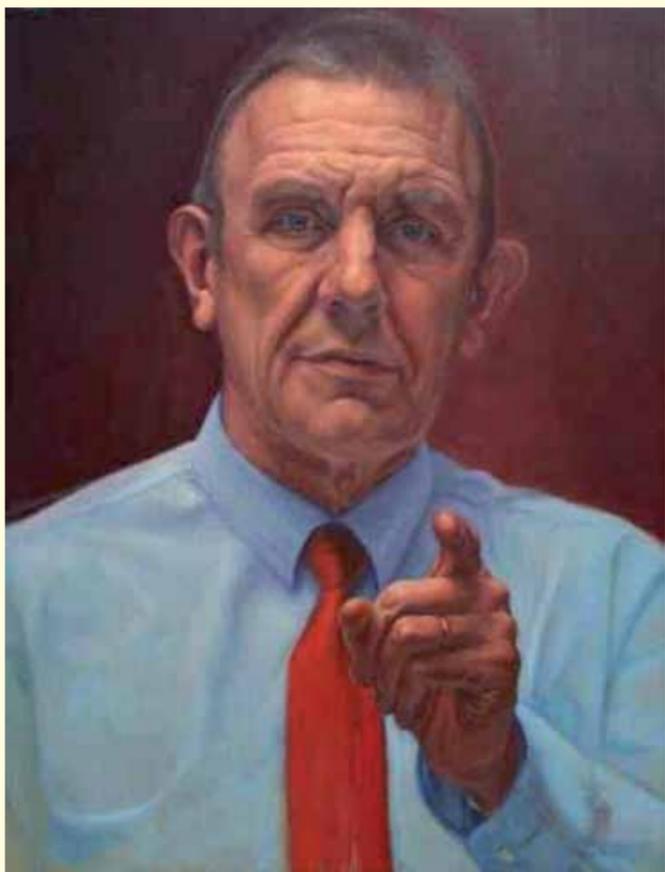
Ellen died in July 2012



Above: John Hopkins, Deputy Headmaster, by Ellen Riley

Her husband Cedric (one of his paintings above) continues at the College and can be contacted tel: 07562039396 or email: info@cedric-charleuf.com. He is available to take private commissions.

This portrait, along with those of other members of staff painted by Ellen Riley, hangs in the Lower Gallery at Stonyhurst.



# THE PRESENTATION IN THE TEMPLE

JAN GRAFFIUS

**T**HIS BEAUTIFUL ALTARPIECE was bequeathed to the College this year by William Raymakers OS, former President of the Stonyhurst Association, to hang as a pair with the painting of the Adoration of the Christ Child by the Master of the Fiesole Epiphany, presented in 2004 to mark his service as President in that year.

William was a great art collector, with an intelligent and well-informed eye, and a taste for early Renaissance art, and particularly Flemish Masters. He acquired the Presentation in 1995 from the collection of Baron Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza. The painting was originally an altarpiece, probably in triptych form, and was originally much larger, having been cut down at some point in its history, probably because of damage, as panel paintings are fragile and prone to splitting.

It shows the moment when Mary and Joseph bring the infant Christ to the Temple, with candles and two doves to make the customary offering following Mary's purification, as described in Luke, chapter two,

'And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.'

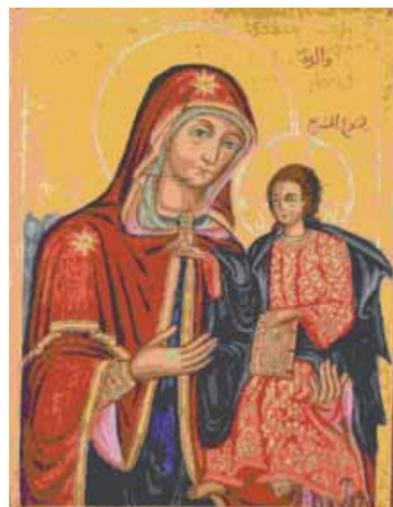
Matsys was a great Flemish master working from the late 15th century until his death in 1530. He presided over a large workshop with skilled assistants, who produced versions of his paintings for his many clients. This painting was produced in that manner, under the eye of Matsys and according to his specification. It is very similar to another painting he produced of the same subject which now hangs in the National Museum in Lisbon.

Stonihurst is deeply grateful for this generous bequest, which will be hung in the Pieta Gallery, near to William's first donation. It will provide pleasure and inspiration for generations of Stonihurst pupils, as doubtless William intended.

May he rest in peace.



The Presentation in the Temple  
Oil on panel  
Studio of Quentin Matsys, c 1510-1520.



This Armenian icon of oil on wood, c 1830, of the Madonna and Child, was the gift of Mrs Coury (mother of Gabriel Coury VC) to Hodder. It was restored with money loaned by the Stonyhurst Association and since repaid. It is one of the images used for this year's Christmas cards sold in aid of SCHAT.



The Adoration of the Christ Child, c. 1475-90, which hangs in the Pieta Gallery, given to the College by William Raymakers OS 39-47, RIP, former President of the Association. He also bequeathed the picture shown on the front cover described in Jan Graffius' article opposite.



One only for Stonihurst *cognoscenti*. This painting by Antony Joseph (see Miscellany) is the only painting by an OS to appear on the front of the Stonihurst Magazine. It is called 'Ponds and Lions'.



# CORRESPONDENCE & MISCELLANY



From the Headmaster, Mr Andrew Johnson

The **Joseph brothers Antony and Richard OS 88 - 93**, have moved from strength to strength in their production of kitchenware and earned a report in The Times and a 'plug' for some of their products. Richard explained, 'Our grandfather started a glass-manufacturing business in Birmingham in the 1930s making hand-decorated glass mirrors for bathrooms. This evolved into a much bigger manufacturing business through the Sixties, Seventies and Eighties after my father took over. They made industrial glass products such as car wing-mirrors and cooker hobs.'

The two boys spent their summer holidays working for their father but it was his sideline business in glass worktop savers which set them on the path to success. Antony was asked to come up with four designs to help revive the business. It worked and sparked the idea for Joseph Joseph and in 2003 with £10,000 provided by their father **Michael OS 55 - 59**, the brothers set up on their own. 'Our whole philosophy is about function', they say, 'not just what looks good in the kitchen.'

Their product range stands at 360 counting colour variations and are sold in 83 countries and is expanding fast, with a team of six in-house designers and external agencies, but they also intend to branch away from cooking and say that, 'Storage solutions and utilities really are where we are going next as a company.'

The brothers were winners of the Ernst and Young 'Entrepreneur of the Year' award for Innovation (right). On their right is another winner of one of eleven categories: Ian Kelly of Matrix. He is the father of **Sammy and Georgie Kelly**, both OS.



**Gregory Irgin OS 94 - 96** writes to say that he is now located in Doha, still working for corporate insurance. He would welcome any OS visitors. His contact details are: Tel +974 4429 2222 -44292211 Mobile + 974 3318 4939 PO Box: 201184 Doha - Qatar. Email: g.irgin@urbacon-intl.com

As well as informing us of his marriage, **Richard Pinder OS...** tells us that there are three medical OS in the same department at Imperial College: **Dr Simukai Chigudu OS 03, Dr Kelvin Yan OS 03**, and himself, all in the Department of Primary Care and Public Health.

**Dominic Gavin OS 84 - 95** has been awarded a bursary by New York University to spend three months in Florence working on a thesis 'Fascism and the Italian Cinema.'

**Mark Burrows OS...** wrote to say that in November he would be swapping the comforts of home to cycle 500kms raising money for Maggie's Centres. He will respond to emails on his safe return. You can support his effort still by going to: [www.justgiving.com/mpburrows](http://www.justgiving.com/mpburrows)

## OS Olympians

My research into this subject proved to be not diligent enough and readers have since pointed out to me that **John James Nelson OS** and **Paul Kenna VC, OS** took part in the Olympic Games. Nelson even won gold medals at the 1924 and 1936 Games for polo and representing Argentina. Kenna led the British equestrian team at the Stockholm Olympics of 1912. (My apologies for these omissions from the last Newsletter- Editor)

The London Olympics rather overshadowed the landing on Mars by the NASA probe which otherwise might have made more of a splash but it did not go entirely unnoticed and neither did the excellent TV coverage by the BBC...



**Mark Thompson OS 70 - 75**, outgoing Director General of the BBC was given much of the credit by the media, for the success of the often-criticised 'Auntie' and with an American wife and a son at Harvard is now seeking a new career across the pond. He has taken over The New York Times



Chief Executive and founder of the charity, Greenhouse, **Michael de Giorgio OS 67 - 75** carried the Olympic Torch from outside his head office in Shepherd's Bush towards Holland Park. Greenhouse deals with the problems of inner city youths through the medium of sport. He said: 'Carrying the torch was an unforgettable experience and I couldn't be more happy or proud to have been given the chance. But this honour is really one for all Greenhouse to share in and I'd like to thank everyone for the hard work they've put in to get us here.'

On the same day, Greenhouse also launched its Coach Core apprenticeship scheme with the Royal Foundation of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Prince Harry.

Working behind the scenes, **Tom Hunt OS 00 - 03**, musical composer who specialises in dressage music helped Charlotte Dujardin and her horse Valegro win a second gold medal for Britain. He majored in music composition at Leeds College of Music and in 2010 composed and produced the music for top British rider Michael Elberg's Grand Prix Kur with music titled 'Vanquish'. He is now working on the score for the film 'The Equestrian', soon to be released.



In June, **Simon Andrews OS 61-68** retired from Stonyhurst College. Simon has been closely associated with Stonyhurst for nearly 50 years, having been both a pupil of St Mary's Hall and the College, before returning as a teacher 4 years later.

There have been significant changes to Stonyhurst while Simon has been there. The College has moved from a stern boarding establishment, where the ferula was experienced by most, to a fully co-educational boarding and day school.

During his career at Stonyhurst, Simon started as a chemistry teacher then held a number of senior positions including Grammar and Syntax Playroom Master before becoming Assistant Headmaster and then Director of Studies. He stepped down as Director of Studies in 2010 and returned to his roots working part time in the chemistry department. Outside the formal curriculum, Simon was involved in the Stonyhurst Holiday Week and founded the Sub Aqua Club with funding from The Foundation for Sports and the Arts.

In order to celebrate Simon's achievements at Stonyhurst, a thanksgiving mass followed by dinner was held in the Top Refectory. 120 staff, former staff and other Stonyhurst friends attended this great event. OS in attendance included **Larry Crouch (69 - 74)**, **Jonathan Smith (82 - 87)** and **Robert Youten (94 - 99)**. Former Headmaster Father Michael Bossy SJ was also present at the celebration. Speeches highlighting Simon's years at Stonyhurst were given by Fintan O'Reilly and Andrew Johnson.

Don't be fooled into thinking that this is it for Simon at Stonyhurst. He will continue to be involved with the Stonyhurst Community supporting a number of initiatives at the Association, the first being a drive to locate over 3,000 'missing' OS whose contact details are not up to date on the database. **James Andrews OS 95 - 00 (son)**

**WE ARE JUST REACHING** the end of a vintage term at the College. Despite an uncommonly wet autumn, our 1st XV rugby team has played 12 matches, including a convincing win in November over Ampleforth, and is unbeaten at home. There was the annual HMC North West girls' hockey and netball tournament earlier this term. The Big Band has toured to Hong Kong and China, the Schola Cantorum has sung Fauré's *Requiem* and Handel's *Messiah*, and we have recently enjoyed a tremendous stage version of *The Three Musketeers*.

You may be aware of the various changes taking place at the College. We have now been authorised as an International Baccalaureate world school, so we can offer the IB diploma alongside A levels from next September. We know the IB will not suit everyone, but it's a world renowned qualification which is well-suited to our academic all-rounders. Crucially in a boarding school, it emphasises broad development of pupils through an extended essay, a compulsory philosophy paper and a programme which accredits extra-curricular activities. We believe it will give an exciting new opportunity both to some of our existing pupils, and to those who may choose to join us for Higher Line only.

Another significant curricular change will take place from September 2013, when College departments take responsibility for the academic programme of pupils in Figures and Rudiments at St Mary's Hall. This means SMH will remain a Prep School for 3-13 year olds, with all the pastoral benefits that a later transfer entails. However, in their academic work, the pupils aged 11 to 13 will benefit from the extra challenge of a senior school academic curriculum, organised by the College departments. Both Larry Crouch (Headmaster of St Mary's Hall) and I are enthusiastic about this development.

We are sorry to bid farewell to the Deputy Headmaster of the College, Andrew Gordon-Brown, who, after 5½ years at Stonyhurst, is leaving us to take up the Headship of Truro School. I thank him for all he has done, with great determination and skill, to support the work of teachers and pupils at the College during his time with us. I believe that we have appointed a worthy replacement in Matthew Mostyn, an old boy of Downside, who spent many years as a Housemaster at Shrewsbury and, before that, was a teacher of modern languages at Cheltenham.

Whether you have observed the new refectory during the various stages of its construction or not, I strongly recommend a trip to the College to see just how spectacular this new addition to the College buildings is. With many windows, strategically placed to let in maximum light and create a very airy environment, the views down the avenue from the new building are tremendous. This will certainly be an excellent new space for all sorts of entertaining at the College, and I hope it won't be too long before you come and see the environment it offers.

Above all, please remember that OS and other friends of Stonyhurst are always most welcome to visit. Simply let us know when you plan to come to the College so we can make proper arrangements for your visit.

Andrew Johnson

# DEVELOPMENT NEWS

RACHEL HINDLE, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

## ANNUAL FUND



We have just launched our new Annual Fund 2012/13. The projects for this year's appeal are diverse in nature and have been carefully selected to benefit the greatest number of pupils:

- Bursaries
- iPads for Hodder House, St Mary's Hall
- Restoration of the College Chapel organ (phase 2)
- Sports equipment - rowing machines and team shelters
- Wherever Stonyhurst needs it most

The Annual Fund is a way of enabling parents, former parents and alumni to play their part on a regular basis in assisting further development of Stonyhurst. We are particularly proud of our ability to help more pupils than ever receive financial aid through scholarships and bursaries. If you would like more information or if you are able to help we would be delighted to hear from you.

We are delighted to announce that we have already received six iPads for the Annual Fund 2012/13 appeal kindly donated by Daisy Group Plc and a further two iPads have been donated by two separate individuals. Thanks to those who have given: we are most grateful and look forward to our pupils using them when they return after Christmas.

We will shortly be publishing our Stewardship Report to update you on the funds that have been raised last year and what they have gone to support.

## LEGACIES



A legacy donation is one of the most meaningful and enduring gifts you can make to Stonyhurst to ensure that the College continues to thrive. Over the centuries schools and colleges have developed and flourished through the legacies of major benefactors and Stonyhurst is no different.

Stonyhurst is not a wealthy school, despite the beauty of its buildings, grounds and Collections. Stonyhurst is special and is the result of generations of giving from past pupils, parents and friends of Stonyhurst which we are seeking to continue. We hope many will consider Stonyhurst when making a Will. If you are thinking about it or if you have already made provision, then please let us know.

## THOMAS WELD SOCIETY



Membership of the Thomas Weld Society is open to all those who have pledged to remember Stonyhurst in their Will. The annual Thomas Weld Society Lunch was held in the Top Refectory on 15th September and was attended by OS, parents, staff and Committee members. It was wonderful to welcome so many back to the College to thank them for their continued support of Stonyhurst. The lunch was concluded with the Headmaster updating the guests on the many developments at the College and the singing of the Pater Noster.

On the day, Michael Goodier (OS58-66) kindly donated a portrait of his Great Uncle, His Grace the Most Reverend Alban Goodier SJ (OS1881-87) Archbishop of Bombay (1919-26) Auxiliary Archbishop of Westminster, which will accompany the vestments and crucifix previously donated by Mr Goodier. These items will be added to our Collections and will be displayed in the Arundell Library.



Another donation to our Collections has come from William Raymakers (OS39-47) former President of the Stonyhurst Association. Mr Raymakers sadly died in April this year and in his Will bequeathed a wonderful painting by the Dutch artist Quentin Matsys c1510 (featured on the front cover) and many books to Stonyhurst. The painting will be hung in the Pieta Gallery alongside the Florentine altarpiece painting of the Adoration of the Christ Child, previously donated by Mr Raymakers to the College.

Addition to the Music Department. We have recently received delivery of a full drum kit to the Music department from Brian Ashton. Mr Ashton is a former rugby coach at Stonyhurst and the former Head Coach of England. The donation was given on the understanding that Mr Ashton could come back and practice on the drum kit whenever he visits Stonyhurst, so we look forward to seeing a lot more of Mr Ashton around the College in the future.

## OVERSEAS



Hong Kong  
The Big Band visited Hong Kong in October, where we hosted an open air concert at the LRC. Over 50 OS and parents came to support and hear about the latest developments at Stonyhurst.

## America



The Headmaster, Andrew Johnson, the Director of IB, Paul Ellis and the Development Director, Rachel Hindle, have recently returned from a successful trip to America. Two gatherings were hosted during the trip one in New York and the other in Washington DC. It was great to have so many OS from across America coming to these gatherings with Dipo Ali flying in from Texas to attend.

## New York

Dipo Alli OS' 91-96  
Richard (Rik) Aspinall OS97-02  
Bronislaw Chrobok OS42-50  
Alejandro De Ramon Laca OS96-97 (also attended SMH)  
Aidan Duke-Richardet OS90-92  
Paul Ellis Staff & Old SMH  
Philip Endean SJ OS68-73

Donald Hall OS81-86  
Paul Kelly OS95-97  
Victor Kisob OS 74-77  
Alan & Ruth Morley Parents  
John Stiller OS46-53

## Washington

Antonei Csoka OS78-85  
Tapiwa Sikipa OS94-96  
Christopher & Katy Thorpe OS77-82 & parents  
Thomas Wilson OS52-55

These events provided a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and hearing the latest news from Stonyhurst. It is important to maintain our links with parents and alumni wherever they may be in the world and we hope to host many more events like these in the future.

**For further information please contact Rachel Hindle, the Development Director, Tel: 01254 827 147 or email: [development@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:development@stonyhurst.ac.uk)**

## CAREERS

We believe there is a role for the Association to offer careers advice and guidance not only for those who have recently left the College (including Syntaxians) but also to those who want to change paths later in life. The membership holds a vast range of experiences, expertise and contacts. It is an Aim of the Association to give assistance to members and support each other where help is needed.

Our Objectives have been:

- 1 To set up a small working party of volunteers who want to assist particularly, undergraduate and recently graduated OS.
- 2 To use the membership of the Association community to assist, directly and indirectly, enquiries and manageable requests for help.
- 3 To offer both general and specific practical help and advice - and ensure confidentiality.

Some examples of practical assistance might include CV reviews, mentoring, information sign-posting, assisting work placements, business set-up, and just using the Association.

We have already several OS/Parent volunteers but we still need people in the following fields:

Health – Accountancy/City – Media

Armed Services – Hospitality

So, we are looking for volunteers for the Steering Group to contact myself, Niall Macfarlane ([shireburn.house@zen.co.uk](mailto:shireburn.house@zen.co.uk))

THIS SERVICE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

## INTERNSHIPS

The Association is interested in hearing from people with recent experience of temporary placements and undergraduate internships, obtained with a view to their future careers.

In particular, we would like to know how these positions were obtained and the benefits and problems associated with these opportunities.

We would also be very interested to know of OS in a position to offer such internships to recent leavers.

Please contact Niall Macfarlane ([shireburn.house@zen.co.uk](mailto:shireburn.house@zen.co.uk)) as soon as possible.

## MISSING PERSONS

There are a large number of OS and other Association members for whom we do not have correct postal and/or email addresses. If you think this might apply to you, or any of your family or friends, please send up-dated details by email to [s.andrews@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:s.andrews@stonyhurst.ac.uk).

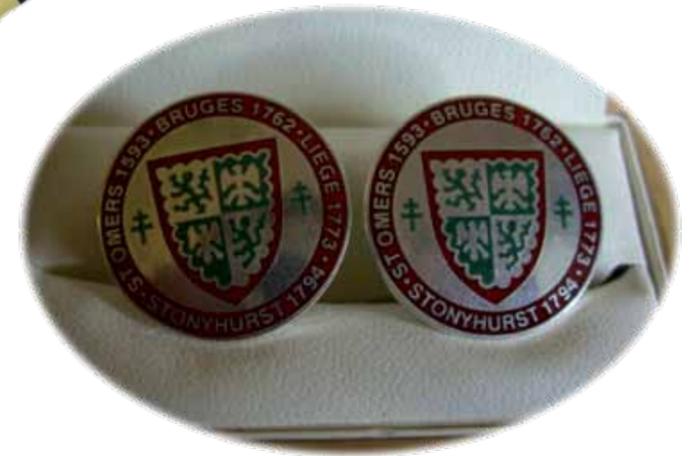
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GOODS AVAILABLE FROM THE ASSOCIATION



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 Middle: OS tie, knitted silk: £21  
 Bottom: OS tie, printed silk: £18  
 Below: OS bow tie, knitted silk: £20

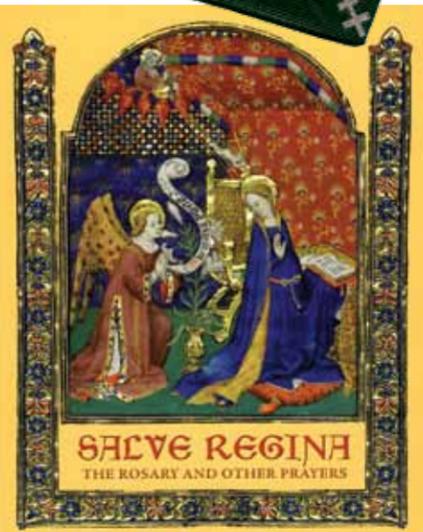


**Clockwise from above right:**  
 Shields, £29.95  
 OS silk cravat £30  
 Link Cufflinks £19  
 Chain Cufflinks, £20

**Above:**  
 Girl's OS silk scarf, £18  
**Above right:**  
 Silver cufflinks, £75

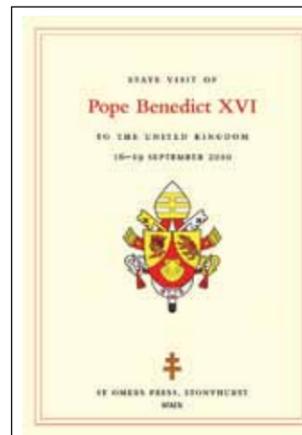
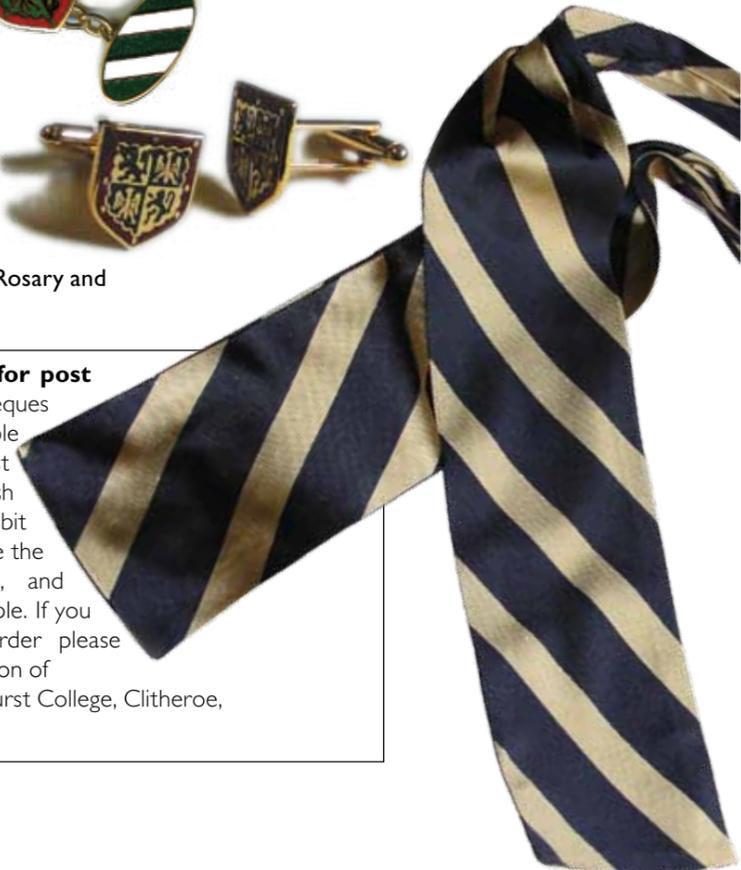


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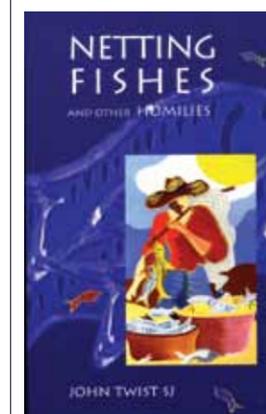
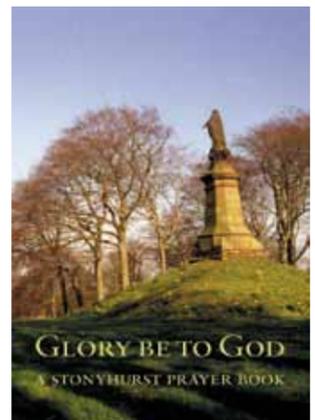
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**Please add £2.00 for post and packing.** Cheques should be made payable to the Stonyhurst Association. If you wish to pay by credit or debit card please telephone the office, 01254 827043, and have your card available. If you are posting your order please mark it for the attention of Mrs B Sillitoe, Stonyhurst College, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 9PZ



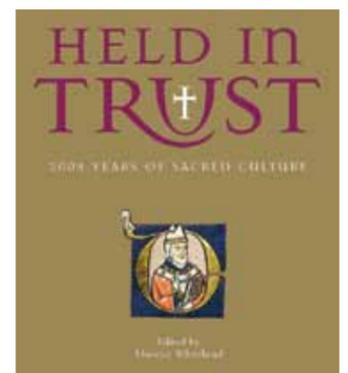
From St Omers Press:  
**STATE VISIT OF POPE BENEDICT XVI TO THE UNITED KINGDOM**  
 Published in partnership with the Society of Our Lady at Winton, Winchester College, and introduced by Richard Bassett, this contains all the speeches and public addresses made by His Holiness the Pope during his state visit in September 2010.  
 64 pages, paperback. £4.50

Right: Glory be to God, a Stonyhurst Prayer Book, St Omers Press. Second edition, with minor corrections.  
 "Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love in a quite absolute final way".  
 These words of Pedro Arrupe SJ's summarise the theme of this book: prayer as the right and normal expression of our being  
 128 pages, hardback, £9.95.



Fr John Twist SJ is the Chaplain at Stonyhurst, and regulars at St Peter's will be familiar with his laconic, intelligent and quietly humorous style. Each homily is a bite-sized piece of wisdom, relating a biblical passage to everyday life... each would be quick enough to read on the train or bus, or before bed time. Filled with realism and laced with humour, these 'thoughts for the day' provide much to ponder on.  
 £8.50  
 St Pauls Publishing, 2009  
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Held in Trust: 2008 Years of Sacred Culture  
 Edited by Maurice Whitehead, this is the beautifully illustrated catalogue of the exhibition of the Stonyhurst Collections held at St Francis Xaviers Church, Liverpool, during that city's year as Capital of Culture in 2008. Many learned articles, and extensive captions by Jan Graffius, Stonyhurst Curator.  
 St Omers Press, 208 pages, paperback. £9.50



# SALVE REGINA

*There are many images of Our Lady at the College  
that remind us of her care for the whole Stonyhurst Family.*



Hail Holy Queen Mother of Mercy



Hail our life, our sweetness  
and our hope



To thee do we cry poor banished children of Eve  
To thee do we send up our sighs  
Mourning and weeping in this vale of tears



Turn then most gracious advocate  
thine eyes of mercy upon us



And after this exile show unto us  
The blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus



O clement, O loving,  
O sweet Virgin Mary



Pray for us most Holy Mother of God  
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ