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# STONYHURST

## association news



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The River Hodder



# EDITOR'S NOTE

I do hope you have all been able to enjoy a Blessed Christmas, and on behalf of all the Editorial Team, I wish you a successful and healthy 2019.

We would be very grateful to receive your news and we are especially interested in marriages, births, other congratulations and any announcements that celebrate the achievements of the Stonyhurst family.

With apologies: The Summer 2017 Newsletter incorrectly stated the OS year for Charles Whitehead KSG as being 1987. The correct OS year for Charles is 1961.

The Association has a Twitter and a Facebook account:

[@Stonyhurstassoc](#)

[facebook.com/stonyhurstassociation](https://facebook.com/stonyhurstassociation)

We are continuing to build up our email database, if you know anyone who has not informed us of a contact email address who would like to receive our future e-Newsletters please contact me at:

[m.hargreaves@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:m.hargreaves@stonyhurst.ac.uk).



L to R: Andrew Lubienski, Jean-Paul Blissett, David da Silva and Maurizio Favretto, all OS 71.

The dinner was held on Saturday 27th October at Stonyhurst with **Jimmy Burns OBE OS 71** presiding. It was attended by 154 OS, parents and former parents. The guest speaker Brendan Walsh, Editor of The Tablet, gave a thoughtful and challenging speech that was received with great acclaim. Music from professional jazz pianist **Francis Rockliff OS 70** was much enjoyed at the end of the evening. The Stonyhurst catering team provided a superb meal, and we are so grateful to all the College staff who helped make it such a lovely evening.

Huge thanks to Beverley Sillitoe and Layla Heaton for organising such a successful Association Dinner, which took place during half term. Heads of Line Erin McLaughlin and Finn Gateley made excellent speeches reflecting on their time at Stonyhurst. The President of the Association, Jimmy Burns, had persuaded many OS to return for the first time since leaving (some after 40 or 50 years) from as far away as Canada, Chile and Guyana.

For more photographs of the dinner please visit our website.

## DIARY OF EVENTS

All of our events are now listed on the website:

[association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association-events/diary-of-events](https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association-events/diary-of-events)

## ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER



Photo above: L to R: Brendan Walsh, Kidge Burns, Jimmy Burns, Marie Gascoigne and John Browne

## REUNIONS



### AUCKLAND REUNION

**Richard Thorpe OS 82** writes:

"I am pleased to report that we had another reunion in Auckland at the end of October. Unfortunately a couple of late cancellations meant there were only three OS; but even so, as usual a great lunch was enjoyed while we put the world to rights!"

**Present were Carl Cimpoiias OS 03, Richard Thorpe OS 82 and Michael McEntegart OS 68.**

If there are any other OS resident in Auckland, or New Zealand as a whole, who would be interested in being on my distribution list then please email me - [richma@xtra.co.nz](mailto:richma@xtra.co.nz)



## RHETORIC 2008 REUNION



The 2008 reunion took place at the College in October. With 57 OS attending, they topped the previous record of attendees by one! For the full report and photographs please click: <https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association-events/previous-events/>

## RHETORIC 1998 REUNION



"Suddenly finding a long lost toy you played with as a child, or discovering a letter you were sure you'd thrown away years ago. Those pangs of what once was and is now lost seem to pull us back, aching, like an umbilical, into the past. These little instances, even when combined over a lifetime, cannot come close to the weight of that moment as you roll down the Avenue toward the looming towers which you once called your home."

For more pictures and to read the full article by **Jack Hardy OS 98** please click: <https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/association-events/previous-events/>

Website: [association.stonyhurst.ac.uk](https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk)

## ASSOCIATION NEWS AND EVENTS

### FILMING ON THE RIVER HODDER



As OS, parents of OS or as friends of the Association, you undoubtedly will be familiar with the Northwest region of England, and many of you may have tuned into BBC One at 7.30pm on Monday 10th December to watch *River Walks: The Hodder*. Filming took place a couple of weeks earlier and Stonyhurst features in the programme. The scenes featuring Stonyhurst include some spectacular drone footage of the College, an interview with Curator Jan Graffius about the bathing cots and the Cromwell connection, and an interview with St Mary's Hall pupils, who showed the presenter where Oliver Cromwell is reputedly said to have slept when he spent the night at Stonyhurst.

*Editor's note: A little known fact: Talking to David Mercer, my predecessor, he informed me that the Shireburn family at Stonyhurst were granted the fishing rights from Doeford Bridge to Ribchester by Elizabeth I. I wonder whether Her Majesty was aware that the granting of fishing rights fed her Catholic subjects!*

### A GIFT FOR THE STONYHURST COLLECTIONS

Stella Schmolle was a well-known Second World War military artist. The Imperial War Museum holds a number of her pictures. She tended to paint women at war. She painted both the Stations of the Cross for the Catholic Chapel at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst and Stonyhurst College Chapel. Stella was a convert from Judaism. Monsignor Phelim Rowland KHS, the Rector of St Mary's Hampstead, recalls, "A parishioner called Raynes Minns knew Stella's nephew who gave Raynes a number of sketches and paintings. Raynes Minns gave them to me. She and I had a discussion about the best place for some of them to go and we both agreed that Stonyhurst was a suitable place because of Stella's connection."

**THE FALKLANDS CAMPAIGN: A CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN IN CONFLICT.** Monsignor Phelim Rowland visited Stonyhurst on Wednesday 3rd October. Phelim gave a wonderful and deeply personal account of his life as an Army and Navy Chaplain during the Falklands conflict of 1982. A lively question and answer session followed.

We are most grateful to the Monsignor for this generous gift and for such an interesting talk.



Mr Stas Callinicos is seen here receiving the paintings on behalf of the Stonyhurst Collections Department from Monsignor Rowland. L to R: Monsignor Rowland, Stas Callinicos and William Nixon (student in Poetry).



## BEAUMONT WAR MEMORIAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE 11TH NOVEMBER 2018

As a guest of the Beaumont Union, **David Hurst OS 70** reports on his visit to the Centenary Remembrance Day Service and lunch at St John's Beaumont



**“To the Glorious Memory of the Boys of Beaumont who gave their Lives for their Country in the Great War 1914 – 1918.”**

So reads the engraving on the War Memorial that stands proudly in the grounds of the Beaumont Estate, now operating successfully as a five star De Vere country hotel. Under a cloudless blue autumnal sky, a large and respectful group of OBs, wives and friends gathered silently around the Beaumont War Memorial for the centenary Remembrance Day Service and Mass to be led by the St John's Chaplain and head of the Jesuit Institute, Fr Adrian Porter SJ. Fr Adrian opened his homily, “Since the end of World War I in 1918 and for every year except just one,

British forces have been in action somewhere in the world. The young boys of St John's Beaumont should be proud to be treading in the footsteps of the 137 men whose names are commemorated on this War Memorial.”

In memory of their forebears, the current boys at St John's Beaumont have been writing out, in longhand, the names of those old boys of the school who died in World War I, exemplifying that these men had once been schoolboys, just like them. The Beaumont War Memorial itself is considered to be one of the most beautiful in the country and consists of an impressive arch of Portland stone containing the life-size bronze cross of Christ crucified with the names of those listed on panels below, this mounted above an altar, itself the symbol of sacrifice. The setting is within the peaceful park landscape of the Beaumont Estate. The structure is the collaborative work of famed ecclesiastical architects, Giles and Adrian Gilbert Scott, and was unveiled in 1921 by General Sir George MacDonogh OB (noted for being the founder of military intelligence), in the presence of Cardinal Francis Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster. The Gilbert Scott brothers were both students at Beaumont College. Sir Giles, a member of the Order of Merit (as was fellow war memorial architect, Sir Edwin Lutyens), is best known for Liverpool Cathedral, Battersea Power Station and for Bankside Power Station now, of course, better known as Tate Modern. Sir George MacDonogh headed military intelligence during WWI and was later Adjutant General. Famously he was made the King's Representative to bring back the body of the Unknown Soldier. Beaumont's war dead in WWI, in percentage terms at 22%, was among the highest of any school in the country. Of almost 600 OBs who were eligible to serve, 137 gave their lives and every one of their names was listed on the Order of Service. These include a father and son, seven pairs of brothers, and numerous cousins.

There were six Frenchmen and two from the United States, including Harry Butters, the first American to join the British Army to fight in the conflict - his sword was made into a crucifix for the Lady Chapel. On the Second World War panel that was added in 1948 are a further 90 names, the majority Air Force fighter pilots and bomber crews. There are five Americans listed and three who served with SOE and the French Resistance.



*The two buglers who played the Last Post during our Memorial Service were Monty Stavelly (aged 11), Upper Figures student and Jack Blakey, Music teacher.*

Supporting Fr Porter at this memorable service, Christopher Tailby OB was the sacristan, David Flood OB laid the wreath and read the Remembrance on behalf of the Union, Patrick Burgess OB painted the crest for the wreath and the Head Boy of St John's, Allesandro Patel, currently in Rudiments, laid a wreath on behalf of the school. After the service many retired to the boys' refectory in the beautiful main building at St John's for lunch and conviviality where the wine and stories of days gone by flowed freely.

**For the Fallen:** “They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them” by **Robert Laurence Binyon (1869 - 1943)**.

For more information, please visit [www.beaumont-union.co.uk](http://www.beaumont-union.co.uk)

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## WELCOME TO THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF STONYHURST COLLEGE GOVERNORS



**Anthony Chitnis OS 83**, the new Chairman of Governors, with his wife, Jane, and their three children, **Asmita OS 12**, **Daisy OS 14**, and **Arthur OS 16**.

Anthony very kindly agreed to write a few words for the Stonyhurst Association Newsletter.

“I came to St Mary's Hall in 1974 and left Stonyhurst College in 1983 having enjoyed a wonderful education at both schools and formed many life-long friendships. I then read History at the University of York and graduated in 1987 but more importantly met my future wife, Jane, who it turned out had gone to Clitheroe Grammar School and we were married at Stonyhurst in 1993. I joined an insurance recruitment business in London called IPS Group in 1988 and have remained there ever since in various roles but currently as Managing Director. We lived very happily in Balham in Southwest London for many years with our three children, Asmita, Daisy and Arthur. However, we decided to return as a family to Lancashire in 2002, although I continue to work in London for much of my time. The three children went to St Mary's Hall and then to the College, diving into the broad education both offer - I seemed to spend many enjoyable (sometimes tense) hours on the sidelines of rugby, cricket, hockey and netball pitches, cheering them on against a number of schools I used to play against many years ago. I believe the evolution of both St Mary's Hall and the College into successful co-educational schools has been one of their most impressive and important achievements over the years. I became a Governor in 2011 and have been very fortunate to learn from wise and experienced fellow Governors over the years how to help and support our mission as Jesuit schools. In a challenging world for independent boarding schools, I very much look forward to working with and supporting the talented leadership and staff of both the College and St Mary's Hall as we seek to develop the schools and most importantly the students within them to become the best versions of themselves they possibly can be.”

## “THERE BUT NOT THERE”



Photo by Frank Dwyer

**Cllr Michael Cleary OS 81**, Chairman of Ryedale District Council, and his daughter Rosie, 14, from Stonyhurst College Combined Cadet Force, with the “There But Not There” silhouette which is on display at Ryedale House. The display is one of 10 around the county as part of the “There But Not There” commemorative campaign launched to mark 100 years since the end of World War I. The silhouettes were on display until 2nd November, when they went to Ripon Cathedral for the annual Service of Remembrance which took place on 9th November, which in 2018 was for military children and the Military Kid's Club Heroes. North Yorkshire County Council chairman Cllr Robert Windass said: “We will use them as visual, thought-provoking images in reflecting on 100 years.”



The silhouettes have been placed inside and outside St Peter's Church at Stonyhurst, they should also remind people of those whose own experience is frequently of a serving parent who is 'there but not there'.

“There But Not There” is a nationwide event. If you wish to find out more please go to the following sites:

<https://www.therebutnotthere.org.uk/viewthevideo>

<https://www.helpforheroes.org.uk/news/2018/february/there-but-not-there-launches-nationwide>



## MOSI NAMES A NEW CEO



**JULIAN MACKENZIE OS 80** is named as CEO by MOSI as it takes steps to secure future financial health.

The Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI), in Florida, has named Julian Mackenzie OS 80 as its new President and Chief Executive Officer as the institution gets set to reconfigure its space and take its next steps into the future.

Mackenzie was named President and CEO of MOSI after leading the organisation on an interim basis following the departure of Molly Demeulenaere in March, who served as CEO for the last two years and was with the museum for five years. "It became very clear to me that things have to happen very quickly if we are to position MOSI to be a leading science centre for the region instead of an institution uncertain of its future because of its financial situation," Mackenzie told the Tampa Bay Business Journal in a phone interview. Even with the proposed move downtown for MOSI, Mackenzie said, "My focus is to have a financially sustainable institution that is having a significant impact in the community. If the institution is losing money hand-over-fist, it isn't an attractive proposition for anyone. MOSI's Board of Directors voted unanimously on

July 12th to elevate Mackenzie, who joined MOSI in October 2016 as Chief Financial Officer after more than 30 years in a range of business leadership roles in the USA, France, the UK, the Netherlands and Italy. Fluent in four languages - English, French, Italian and Portuguese - Mackenzie moved to Florida seven years ago. "Julian and his staff have done an exceptional job coming up with a direction for MOSI that is going to keep the organisation strong for many years to come," said Robert Thomas, MOSI Board Chair and CEO of Two Rivers Ranch, "It's Julian's leadership that has made this future possible, and he is exactly the type of sharp, experienced individual MOSI needs right now." In previous roles, Mackenzie has developed and led turnaround plans, restructuring efforts, and rebranding campaigns with multiple companies in the United States and Europe. His experience includes leadership positions in companies in the fields of medical technology, telecommunications, manufacturing, insurance, and finance.

## OS AT THE INSTALLATION OF BISHOP MASON AS BISHOP OF THE FORCES AT ALDERSHOT

On 9th July 2018, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Mason as the eighth Bishop of the Forces.

The installation of Bishop Mason took place at Aldershot. A commemorative photograph was taken with members of the RAF. In the picture, second from the right, is Wing Commander **Christopher Thorpe OS 82**, as a Trustee of the Bishopric of the Armed Forces.

Also present were: **Bishop Crispian Hollis OS 54**, Colonel Robin Smith MBE TD KSG (former parent) and Major Anne O'Flynn, Mr Richard Brumby KSS, a present Governor of Stonyhurst College and Mrs Gay Brumby.



Pictured above: Robin Smith MBE TD KSG, and Mrs Gay Brumby at the Installation Mass of the Rt Rev Paul Mason as Bishop-in-Ordinary to HM Forces on 12th September.

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## THE VULCAN BOYS BY RICHARD DE VERTEUIL OS 59



L to R: Flt/Lts: Richard De Verteuil, David Calvert, Jon Tye and Michael Feenan - RAF Greenham Common Jubilee Air Tattoo 25/26th June 1977



Richard at his position in the Vulcan

### A short history of a Vulcan AEO

After leaving Stonyhurst, Richard went to the University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, where he joined the University Air Squadron and spent two years learning to fly the Chipmunk. After leaving university he was commissioned in the Royal Air Force and eventually qualified as an Air Electronics Officer (AEO). He completed a tour on Shackletons in Coastal Command, another tour on Canberras in Signals Command, and in 1970 he joined Bomber Command as a Vulcan AEO on No 44 (Rhodesia) Squadron based at RAF Waddington, Lincoln. On completion of his first tour that involved a round the world trip and detachments to Singapore and Australia, he was posted to IX(B) Squadron at RAF Akrotiri, Cyprus.

On his return to the UK in 1975, he rejoined No 44 Squadron and for the remainder of his service flew with the squadron's qualified flying instructors as part of the Vulcan Display Crews for two further tours, finally retiring in December 1978.

The photograph above (top right) shows Richard at his position in the Vulcan, surrounded by the system's electrical control panels. Taken by a co-pilot while on their way back to CAF Trenton following their Toronto display, Richard had quite a surprise when the photograph was presented to him upon his retirement. It has even featured in a Haynes Manual, *AVRO VULCAN 1952 "Owner's Workshop Manual"*.

## PETER AND PHILIP JOSEPH OS 97



Twin brothers, **Peter and Philip Joseph both OS 97**, set up their Dalston Architecture and Design practice, P. Joseph, three years ago, and have already had several impressive commissions. Their portfolio includes the latest flagship store of matchesfashion.com in Carlos Place, W1, Erdem's first shop in Mount Street and the Omorovicza Spa in Hungary, as well as several high profile residential properties.

## COLM FAHY OS 16



Pictured L to R: Colm Fahy OS 16, Jimmy Burns OS 71 and Ed Belerbos OS 16

**Colm Fahy OS 16**, President of the Royal Holloway Catholic Society, invited **Jimmy Burns OBE OS 71** to speak at their annual dinner held in December. Jimmy's talk was "Pope Francis, a Pope for our times."

Jimmy Burns commented, "The generosity of spirit and the quality of the youthful turn-out for the talk was hugely uplifting, showing the interest generated by Pope Francis. I found the engagement we had on a range of issues related to him and our mission as Catholics with your fellow students and their questions and comments challenging, and thought-provoking. I felt real discernment and a real sense of solidarity going on in the lecture room, and afterwards in the Ref over the generous Christmas dinner."



## CROQUET DINNER



On the evening of Saturday 10th November, a number of OS gathered at the East India Club, London, for the Annual Dinner of the Croquet Society. The evening provided a great opportunity for conviviality and a chance to rekindle old friendships. Those OS present included (Pictured L to R) **Edward Belderbos OS 16**, **Conor Nealon OS 13**, **Fabian Twist OS 11**, **Colm Fahy OS 16**, **Tom Wroblewski OS 17**, **Simon Whittle OS 13**, **Diego Herrera OS 13**, **Br David Chadwick CO OS 12**, **Chushi Chibesakunda OS 13**, **Callum Shaw OS 13** and **James Scott OS 13**.

## STONYHURST ASSOCIATION GATHERING TOLEDO AND MADRID



The historic imperial city of Toledo and the residence of the British Ambassador in Madrid were the settings for gatherings of OS, parents and former parents living in Spain. It was organised by **Jimmy Burns OBE OS 71**, the current President of the Stonyhurst Association.

To view the full report and photographs please click: <https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/2018/09/27/a-stonyhurst-gathering-in-spain/>

## CONGRATULATIONS

### BIRTHS



**Ged Brumby OS 95** and his wife, Jenny, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Ignatius Maria Brumby, born on 24th May 2018.

For further OS birth announcements and wedding pictures, please click the links

Marriages: [association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/news/marriages/](https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/news/marriages/) Births: [association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/news/births/](https://association.stonyhurst.ac.uk/news/births/)

### MARRIAGES



**Stefano Ghirardi OS 07** and Giulia Pieroni married in The Vatican on 16th August 2017. The civil ceremony was in Perugia on 26th August 2017.

## OTHER CONGRATULATIONS



**Khashi Sharifi OBE OS 87** was promoted to Brigadier on assuming the post of Head Concepts at the Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre (DCDC) in January 2019. He was awarded the OBE in the 2017 Birthday Honours List for work on Army Reorganisation. He departed Army HQ in October 2016 and since then has been employed full time conducting research for a PhD at King's College London into the effects of organisational culture on the British Army's ability to conduct major (strategic) reform.



**Sarah Knight OS 89** has received the Chief Constable of Derbyshire's commendation award

The citation reads:

"You are commended for your professionalism, dedication and commitment whilst working on a case involving the sexual abuse of a child. Your efforts leading to the prosecution and presenting it to the jury were tremendous. The conviction of the accused was very much the result of the combined team effort between the police and the prosecution team."

Sarah was the only barrister that was given an award at the ceremony to celebrate the work of the Derbyshire Constabulary over the past year, held at the Pride Park Stadium on the 27th November 2018.



United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres announced the appointment of **Victor Kisob OS 77** of Cameroon as Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). Victor brings to the position more than two decades of service in human resources management; spanning international affairs, policy, strategy, operations, knowledge management and partnerships, coupled with a comprehensive background in the field within the United

Nations system, in Somalia, Israel, Palestine, Zambia and Ethiopia. He is currently Director of the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division in United Nations Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) in New York, a position he assumed in 2015 and during which time he also assumed the responsibilities of Officer-in-Charge and Acting Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management (2016-2017). Victor joined the United Nations in 1989 and has served the organisation in various capacities, including as Director of the United Nations Ebola Response Liaison Office, New York (2014-2015), Principal Officer of the United Nations Executive Office of the Secretary-General, New York (2012-2014), Chief of Staffing Service, New York (2008-2012) and Chief of Recruitment and Placement at the United Nations Office at Vienna, Austria (2001-2008). Victor holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics from Saint John's University, in Minnesota, USA, and a Master of Arts in Development Banking from the American University in Washington D.C., USA.



Pictured L to R: Jimmy's daughters, Julia and Miriam, Jimmy and his wife Kidge.

On 20th December **Jimmy Burns OBE OS 71** and his family went to Buckingham Palace for the investiture by the Prince of Wales, who awarded him the OBE for British-Spanish relations.



Congratulations to **Antony Joseph OS 93** and **Richard Joseph OS 93** receiving the Queen's Award for Industry and Innovation from Princess Anne when she visited the Joseph Joseph Offices.





The Hon **Marianne Alton OS 07** is the winner of the ‘Young Pro Bono Barrister of the Year’.

Marianne was chosen from a shortlist of 14 young barristers for her pro bono work in helping to establish the lawyers’ charity, Evolve, in Uganda.

Since being called to the Bar at Lincoln’s Inn, and whilst working at the Criminal Bar, she has regularly travelled to Uganda, at her own expense and in her own time, working for prisoners on ‘death row’, visiting prisons, and training young Ugandan lawyers. After leaving Stonyhurst (where she was followed by her three brothers) she studied Philosophy and Theology at the University of Oxford, then volunteered on a Jesuit urban programme project in Salford. After a Law Degree and Bar School she entered Chambers at Lincoln House, Manchester.



Downing Street announced the appointment by Her Majesty The Queen on 25th July of **Edmund Anderson KSG OS 68** as the new Lord Lieutenant to West Yorkshire, which took effect on 1st September 2018.

Ed is both OB and OS, and is married to Heather (a judge) and they have two children. His appointment has been warmly received throughout West Yorkshire and, no doubt, beyond.



**Shamrock Khan Khattak OS 15** has achieved a First Class Degree at Southampton University in July 2018. Shamrock studied BSc MORSE (which stands for Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics & Economics). Shamrock writes to say, “I am living in Edinburgh and I am trying to pass 6 ACA accounting papers within the shortest possible time. I also plan to do a Master’s next year.”



Many congratulations to the College Curator, **Jan Graffius**, who has been awarded a University of London **Doctor of Divinity honoris causa** by Heythrop College. This is an incredibly prestigious award to be added to Jan’s own PhD which is due to be completed early in 2019. This award is in recognition of Jan’s work at Stonyhurst and also her contribution to the work for the The Archbishop Romero Trust.

# PLACES OF INTEREST TO OS

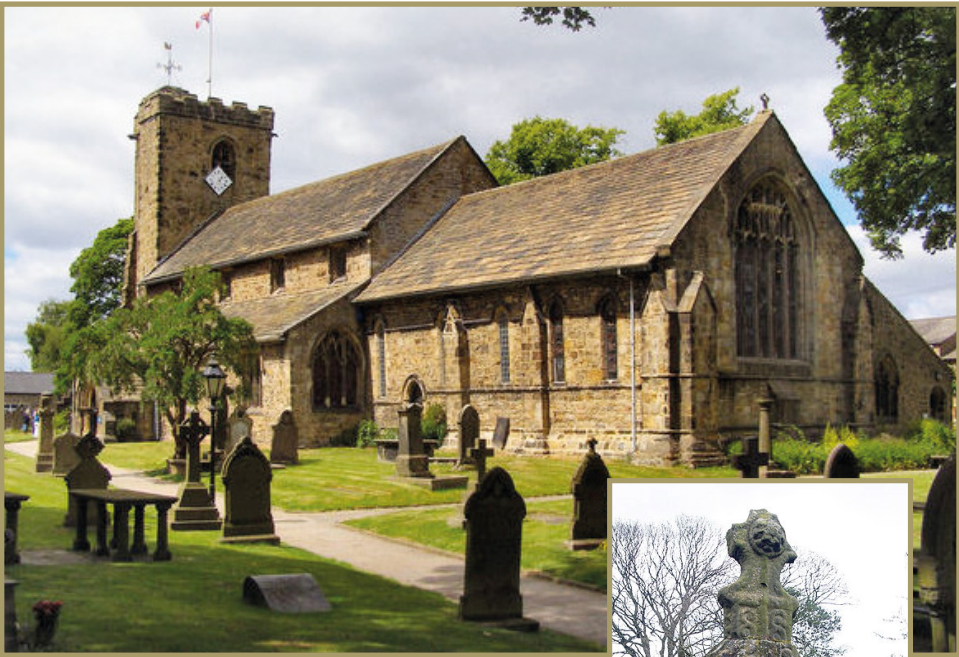
## CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS, WHALLEY

### BY DAVID KNIGHT, STONYHURST ARCHIVIST

Most of the present church was built on the site of an earlier Norman church, which may have been destroyed by fire, beginning around the year 1200, with many of the internal architectural features still being Norman in style, particularly in the Chancel which occupies the eastern end of the church, including arches with rounded tops. The 70ft (21m) tower, by contrast, is in the Perpendicular style, with its emphasis on vertical lines, and dates from the mid-fifteenth century as, too, does the large East Window inserted into the gable end of the Chancel.

Interesting internal features include the misericords (seats, which when tipped up provide a small shelf offering some welcome support for someone standing) in the Choir Stalls of which there are more than 20. Each one has a unique and beautifully executed carving showing aspects of everyday life (one shows a kneeling warrior being beaten by his wife with a frying pan) often with a moral message. There is also a large pew known as St Anton’s Cage, constructed from elaborately carved oak, dating from 1534 with later additions. It was originally the family pew of the Nowell family of Read, near Padiham, whose family included Roger Nowell, the magistrate who was responsible for the prosecution and execution of the Pendle witches in 1612. The pew featured prominently in William Harrison Ainsworth’s famous book *The Lancashire Witches*, first serialised in The Sunday Times in 1848. Occupancy of the pew was later hotly disputed by two other families. An attempt to resolve the dispute by dividing it into two compartments failed because neither family could tolerate the other’s presence and the pew remained unoccupied and has done so ever since.

In the graveyard are three late Anglo-Saxon crosses, often referred to as Celtic crosses. One of them can be seen in the accompanying photograph. Opinions differ regarding their origin but it is generally accepted that they date from the late 10th to early 11th century (although one of them has been given a later cross head). Their presence can be taken as proof that a Christian presence existed here before the Norman Conquest of 1066, possibly resulting from a Scottish mission from Iona.



# MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

## JOHN BROWNE



“I often think the Christmas Term is like a year packed into a few weeks. It starts with sunshine and croquet and ends with carols and turkey. And in between we manage to fit in an extraordinary range of events, not to mention the day-to-day business of teaching and learning. Trips to the Himalayas; the Xavier Project; a growing partnership with St Vincent’s School for the blind; Remembrance and the WWI Centenary; a visit from the pupils of Sankt Blasien, our Jesuit partner school in Germany; two stunning concerts in the Top Ref; excellent seasons in both rugby and hockey, particularly in younger years; one of the best Campion Days ever; a dazzling production of *The Pirates of Penzance*, three beautiful carol services (including one at Farm St), and interline competitions in dance, swimming, business/eco/politics, poster design, cross country, tug-of-war, indoor rowing and a talent show. That’s what we have been up to this term, and we’ve enjoyed every minute. Now we look forward to 2019!”

# MEMORIAM

News of the deaths of the following OS have been received since the summer edition of the Newsletter 2018 (No. 315):

Julian Patrick Martin Flanagan	OS 1975 – 1980	William John Nicholson Sharples	OS 1937 – 1941
Gerald Sylvain Marechal	OS 1947 – 1955	Anthony John Burnett	OS 1956 – 1963
Herbert John Alletson	OS 1945 – 1955	John Vincent Murphy	OS 1950 – 1959
Anthony Ian Rankin	OS 1937 – 1944	William Michael Franklin	OS 1945 – 1954
Adam Harris John Bryan-Brown	OS 1968 – 1978	Gerard Francis Swarbrick	OS 1937 – 1946
Cyril Adam	OS 1942 – 1948		

May they rest in peace.

Friends or relatives who wish to write an 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)



# CURATOR'S NEWS

BY JOE REED OS 11

## THE ARUNDELL CORONET, SWORD AND COPE, C.1820

James Everard Arundell, 10th Lord Arundell and donor of the Arundell Library, was born on 3rd November in 1785.

The Arundell family had a close connection with the school from at least the middle of the 17th century until the 20th century. The first recorded Arundell at St Omers, Thomas 4th Lord Arundell, attended St Omers around 1649 in the aftermath of Cromwell's victory in the Civil War. Whether he

was deliberately sent away as a result of this is not known. Members of each succeeding generation of the Arundells until James Everard, the 10th Lord, were pupils of St Omers, Bruges, and Liège. He attended Stonyhurst in the 1790s, not long after the school's move from Liège.

This long-standing relationship between the school and the Arundell family may account for the considerable bequests by the family in the 19th century. In addition to receiving the library from Wardour Castle, the Arundell's family seat, Stonyhurst also holds prints and objects which belonged to James Everard. This crown, sword and cope are among those pieces, and were used by him as part of his regalia as a peer at the coronation of George IV in 1820.

Whilst the peer's coronet and ceremonial sword (shown in the image below) have remained unchanged from 1820, Lord Arundell's fine red velvet and ermine robes were refashioned into a cope. Many Roman pearls were added to decorate the red velvet, with religious embroideries included on the cope hood. This was carried out on the order of his widow, before being presented to Stonyhurst for use in St Peter's.



## DEVELOPMENT NEWS

### PENANG STONYHURST COLLEGE



Stonhust Penang will be a co-educational day and boarding school for pupils from 3 years to 18 years from all religious denominations and secular belief systems.

If you are interested in further information please go to: [development.stonyhurst.ac.uk/penang](http://development.stonyhurst.ac.uk/penang)

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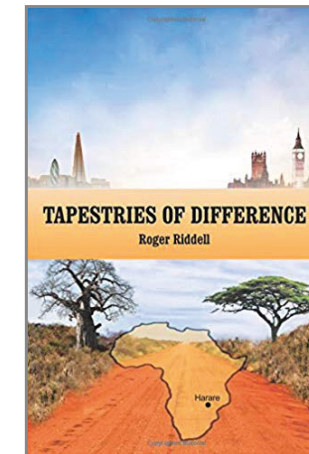


## STONYHURST 425 CELEBRATIONS

As you may know, this year marks the 425th anniversary of the founding of the original school in St Omers in 1593. As such, we would like to make sure 2018/2019 is a special anniversary year, with events, celebrations, projects and reflections that are fitting tributes. We will seek to celebrate this year through a rolling and expanding programme of activities which involve all OS and members of the wider Stonyhurst family.

As part of our '425th' celebrations, the College is designing a Stonyhurst version of Monopoly, including many of the iconic areas remembered by generations of OS. The game is being designed by staff, students and OS and will be available to pre-order in 2019.

## BOOKS OF INTEREST TO OS

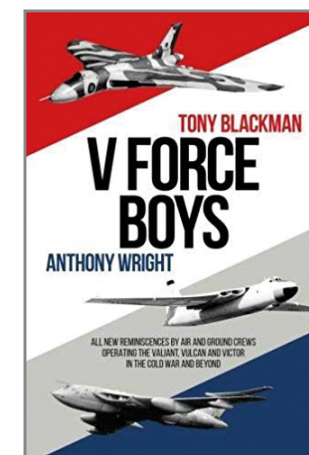


### ROGER RIDDELL OS 65 has written his first novel

Emma Maconie is an ambitious North Londoner who has never been satisfied simply living in the world – she wants to change it. Setting out for an interview for a high-flying job in the BBC's current affairs unit, she bumps into Simon Robertson, in what appears to be a chance encounter. A succession of coincidences and events rapidly draw the pair together. *Tapestries of Difference* is a gripping love story which captures both the alluring beauty, as well as the harshness, of today's Africa. It also provides a moving meditation on what it means to be British today as it confronts the issues of faith and belief, race, and ethnicity, to weave the tapestries of core values which bind people together.

The paperback edition is available from Blackwell's, [blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/product/Tapestries-of-Difference-by-Roger-Riddell-author/9781999613747](http://blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/product/Tapestries-of-Difference-by-Roger-Riddell-author/9781999613747)

There will be a book launch in Oxford in mid-January. See [eventbrite.co.uk/e/roger-riddell-tapestries-of-difference-book-launch-tickets-52521233423](http://eventbrite.co.uk/e/roger-riddell-tapestries-of-difference-book-launch-tickets-52521233423)



### V Force Boys

*V Force Boys* consists of a fascinating collection of previously unpublished stories by V Force ground and aircrew for all three V bombers. Among other highlights, the book includes a first-hand account of dropping the last UK British H-bomb, a description of how all the aircraft navigated before the days of GPS, the training the crews received and an armourer's account of how the nuclear weapons were moved with complete safety but not in the regimented way that might be expected. In addition, there are chapters which tell of incidents that would not be found in the RAF historical annals but show how the vigilant guarding of the UK had its lighter moments. A must for all Vulcan, Victor and Valiant enthusiasts, and chapter 6 was written by **Richard de Verteuil OS 59**.

Published by Grub Street Publishing, available on [www.amazon.co.uk/V-Force-Boys](http://www.amazon.co.uk/V-Force-Boys)





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