



# HCPT Tatler



Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2007

51<sup>st</sup> Annual HCPT Easter Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Group Number  
here



*We lift them up to  
the Lord*



## Opening Times

**Hemicycle Office**  
(All pilgrimage  
administration)  
09h00 - 12h30  
14h00 - 18h00

**Hemicycle Shop**  
09h00 - 12h30  
14h00 - 18h00

**Hosanna House  
Shop**  
09h30 - 18h00

**Nursing Supplies**  
08h30 - 10h00  
12h30 - 13h00  
16h30 - 18h00

**Sundry Money  
Collection**  
(Solitude Office)  
09h00 - 11h00  
13h30 - 15h30  
17h00 - 19h00  
(Sun - Tues)

20h00 - 21h00  
(Sun & Mon only)

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# TORCHLIGHT & BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSIONS, AND THE TRUST MASS !!

HCPT's Torchlight Procession takes place TONIGHT ! Groups should assemble in the area between the Arches and the Grotto by 20.30. The Procession moves off at 21.00. Group banners can be carried with their Group. Once you reach the esplanade in front of the basilica, the banner carriers will be directed to the basilica steps. The rest of the Groups will be zigzagged through the square. This year we have installed two extra screens to ensure maximum participation. Do join in all the singing!

On Thursday we have the Trust Mass to look forward to. By now you will have gathered that the theme this year is 'Lift Up Your Hearts'. The Mass will start at 10.00 so please ensure that your Group is ready and seated on time. Doors are open from 08.30. Badges and booklets are being distributed from the Hemicycle tomorrow Wednesday. Get in early, but please don't send one or two people to reserve seats for the Group. Important information will follow in tomorrow's Tatler.

The Blessed Sacrament Procession takes place on Thursday at 17.00. Assemble from 16.00 on the Prairie.

## WELCOME OLD AND BOLD

Great to have you with us once more. We hope you enjoy your week

They do not have the option of walking away from us, so please oblige! Please also be away from your own Group to smoke.

## RETURN MANIFESTS

The following return manifests are OVERDUE !!

BRS 2	Group 45 & 79
STN 1	Group 100
STN3	Group 12
STN 4	All 8 Groups!
MAN 4	Groups 143 & 160
LGW1	Group 47,117 & 802
LGW2	Group 21
PIK 1	Group 19, 57,116 & 200
PIK 2	All 10 Groups!

Please drop these into HQ by 09.30 Wednesday.

## CHAPLAINS' MEETING THIS EVENING

This will be held on Tuesday at 18.30 in the foyer of Hotel Solitude. New Chaplains are especially welcome.

## DOCTORS' MEETING TOMORROW

Will take place on Wednesday evening, from 21.00 to 22.30 in Hotel Continental, which is next door to the Christian Cluny Hotel near The Solitude.

## TRUST MASS COLLECTION

In aid of the 'Path of Hope' project in Peru For the Trust Mass collection, we are inviting each pilgrim to donate 50 cents. Group Leaders are asked to ensure that money collected is converted into notes. All HCPT Groups should leave the money collected in the Hemicycle by tomorrow Wednesday. All IHCPT Groups should leave their donations at the IHCPT office. The money will be used to support the work of a former IHCPT Trustee, Angela Keane, who has started a new missionary project in Peru. Angela has set up a programme for young people with special needs. Resources are badly needed and in giving to the collection we will help so many young people. We commend Angela for the wonderful work she is doing and wish her every blessing in her new project. In giving we receive!

## CROSSING THE ROAD

Please take care crossing roads, especially at St Joseph's Gate as there is no zebra crossing.

## THE DOMAINE

Please respect the fact that the whole Domaine, from St Joseph's Gate onwards, is like an open air church. Please keep the noise down, especially opposite the Grotto, even from over the river.



## NO SMOKING

Please remember that the Trust operates a no smoking policy in front of the children in our care.

### **WALK 2008**

How far will you go? Attached you will find details of the three walks, which have been arranged for 2008. Places are sure to be snapped up quickly. Register for an information pack by completing the attached form. More forms are available from the Hemicycle if required.

### **WALK 2006 REUNION**

Just to say 'thank you' for raising over £130,000 for child sponsorship. Meet in Hotel Solitude tomorrow Wednesday at 22.30. Don't forget to wear your polo shirt. If you wear your medal Sean will buy you a drink!

### **MIDLAND MASS**

Congratulations to all the musicians (Groups 20, 712 and 719) you did a great job.

### **HCPT LOTTERY**

It is now too late to join our April lottery, which will be drawn on Friday at 19.30 in Hotel Solitude. But you can collect an entry form from the Hemicycle for the May draw.

### **FUNDRAISING**

If anyone would like to have a word with Sean on anything to do with fundraising, please leave a message for him in the Hemicycle and he will get back to you.

### **HCPT GOLF CLASSIC**

This takes place on Thursday 7th June at Whitefields Golf Club, Rugby. More details from Sean O'Flaherty or pick up a leaflet from the Hemicycle.

### **HERVÉ OLLIVIER**

Hervé is in charge of the distribution of the Lourdes magazine. He makes sure that all the kiosks in and around the sanctuaries are well stocked. When he first arrived in Lourdes Hervé admits how he had, among other things, been amazed by the HCPT pilgrimage. 'I saw a small disabled child, wearing a protective helmet, dancing with his Mum on the Rosary Esplanade to the tune of a Beatles song. How could I possibly forget such an extraordinary moment?'

### **MET EAST MEETING**

Chair's drinks and debriefing tomorrow Wednesday at 21.00 in the Beau Site. Ann, remember to bring the dosh with you.

### **SAFETY FIRST**

We have to repeat our usual note of caution. Like any other town, Lourdes can be dangerous after dark. Please take care, especially when visiting the Grotto late at night... go with a friend – not on your own. Be aware of pickpockets, even in the Domaine.



### **EUROS**

A reminder that the best rate of exchange can be found at the Banque Populaire on Rue de la Halle (just past McDonalds). You will need to show your HCPT badge.

### **THOSE ORANGE FORMS**

These are in your Group bag, awaiting collection from the Hemicycle. Would all Group Leaders please complete and return their Orange Forms by Tuesday evening to the Hemicycle. The information provided will help us settle correct hotel bills at the end of the week and to reconcile your group fares. Please note that anything that will affect the amount due (eg late arrivals or early departures) and to save the Trust's precious funds.



### **REMEMBER OTHERS**

If you are returning home late at night please remember others and keep the noise down. Many thanks!

### **CROSSWORDS**

Thanks to an anonymous donor there are prizes for the Easter 2006 Crosswords. Entries must be left at the Hemicycle by 16.00 on Friday 21st April. For the first correct entry to be drawn: the prize is £25 for the cryptic and £15 for the concise crossword.

Minor corrections:

Concise Crossword: 28 across clue should read: "Dull and gloomy (6)"

14 down "see 3 down (8)"

Cryptic Crossword:

27 across "Scorn one abstainer in beauty's embrace (8)"

### **HEMICYCLE – THURSDAY**

The Hemicycle and Shop will open at the later time of 1530 on Thursday afternoon and close at the usual time of 1800.



### CHAPEL BOOKINGS

If you wish to book a chapel which appears vacant, please visit the Hemicycle and check that it is still available. Please DO NOT amend the planning sheets there without first speaking to the HQ staff.

Please be attentive to the times that you have been assigned. We ask that you are ready to begin on time and that you conclude your liturgy within the time slot allotted to you.



### THE NAVETTE

The Navette programme has been designed to best manage the numbers of people at Hosanna House, and to control the flow of people arriving and departing. Amendments to the plan may be made via the hemicycle no later than 5pm the preceding day. All requests for amendments are subject to availability. No on-the-day amendments (other than cancellations) will be permitted.

The area around the Navette bus both at the coach park outside Hotel Paradis, and at Hosanna House, will be supervised by volunteers who are there for your safety. Please ensure you and all your Group follow the instructions given.

### EXCURSION COACHES

As stated last year we will not be making any additional excursion bookings this Easter. If you had not booked an excursion for your Group with HQ by 31st January you will need to make your own arrangements.

The Trust has for many years given a 'free' excursion - traditionally to Gavarnie - to all Group members. For 2007, we will continue to make the gift excursion available under the following terms.

1. You will be responsible for booking and paying for your own excursion, it cannot be added to the Hotel bill.

2. After you have paid for the excursion, present

the receipt to HQ staff at the Hemicycle.

3. You will be refunded up to €14 per person in your Group.

4. The financial assistance is for one excursion only and cannot be applied to more than one trip.

### LOST PROPERTY

Pair of glasses lost in St Joseph's Chapel - Easter Sunday. Please contact Liz Perry - Group 54 - Hotel Paradis.

Mobile phone lost on Monday LGW2. Please contact Carol - Group 51 Hotel Ariane.

Two lost bags, with gold tinsel on 0900 Stansted flight. Group 217 - Hotel Panorama.

Blue Hennes coat - left on 09.00 Stansted flight. Belongs to Group 16.

Trumpet in blue case, left on coach from Toulouse to Lourdes yesterday. Name on label - John Paul. Groups 21 & 714 Hotel Panorama.

Missing suitcase - black with wheels - belonging to Hannah McCarthy - Group 111. Should have been labelled (purple/yellow plus flight details) contains a flute in a case. Hotel Europe.

### BIRTHDAYS & MESSAGES

From John White - to all on the HCPT pilgrimage. Have a great time and see you next year. Love and prayers - John.

Group 193 would like to say a huge 'WELCOME BACK' to Liam Cahalin and Sarah Jolly, who have come all the way from Japan and Australia for the trip.

Group 16 have arrived without John White (first time in 40 years). Get well soon John. Love and prayers from us all.

Fiona: Mary says Hello and sends some mints. Have a good week!

707 Group Member 'Could be Joseph'. Daniel Boys (on front page of Tatler) will be on BBC1 on Saturday evening as a finalist in the new TV programme 'Any Dream Will Do'. This would have been Daniel's fourth HCPT pilgrimage, but he had to pull out last week to appear on the show. Please watch Daniel on Saturday (he's wearing the purple coat). VOTE DANIEL !!

Happy Birthday to Paul Lyon - from all in TBG. Paul has been travelling to Lourdes since before Ste Bernadette and has led TBG from the age of four. Paul has requested - no presents - but will accept crates of chips and gallons of ketchup. Carrot juice also a favourite.

TBG wish Angela Jein a speedy recovery to full health. We are sorry you can't be with us and are praying for you here. We'll wave from the webcam.

Calling all Met Deep-South Groups. Wishing you uplifted hearts for your Regional Mass on Wednesday. Sorry not to be with you. We'll be thinking of you over ice creams in Gavarnie. Love from Group 87.

Happy Birthday Megan! We all hope you enjoy your Birthday in Lourdes. Lots of love from Group 73.

Happy Birthday to Karl - 11 today in Group 209. Lots of love forever friends xxx

Paul, Group 133, (child of previous helper!). Congratulations on your 21st Easter. Have a great week - from the 'sweet talker'.

Group 83 send congratulations to Paul Stevens and his guitar, who have willingly endured 10 years with HCPT. Thanks Paul.

Happy Birthday to Michael McLauchlan - from all your friends in Group 121.

Congratulations on your engagement Tony and Alex - Group 133.

Easy now 193 ! Happy 18th Birthday.

A big Hello and congrats to Charlene and Ciaran - the Group leaders of Simms Lourdes ! Enjoy your first year in Lourdes - HCPT style ! Also a big Hello to other Simmies - see you soon. Grace.

To all my wonderful helpers and young people in Group 162. Have a wild, wonderful and musical week. I love hearing you all sing! Love Shinéad.

To all the wonderful people in Group 162. Keep up the good work! Miss you loads - John and Ide.

Thanks to Jet Set and John O'Connell for returning our stolen suitcase! Group 162.

Group 26 is 40 years young this week! If you see us out and about come and ride that pony!

Congratulations and much love to Lia and Jedi and the very soon marriage! Love Group 26.

Group 26 wish Penita all the luck in the world as they start their new Group in 2008! We know that secretly they will be forever pink xx.

Group 26 ponies would like to say 'Grace' - singer of 131 is welcome at our watering hole any day!!

Best wishes to Janet and Alan Loorey. Get well soon Janet and get back with Group 16 next year.

Group 142 wish Kitty Mihovilovic a very Happy 80th Birthday. Love from all your friends xx

Well done to all the children on MAN1 - despite the wait

A big welcome to Liam and Gemma from Group 180. Enjoy your week and live the dream. Lots of love from the Group.

Congratulation to Joan Prendergast on her appointment as Finance Director to HCPT. Congratulations also to Carol Peacock on her appointment as Accounts Supervisor! Good luck to Ron in his new job and thanks for all his work over the past six year. Love from the Team.

You are welcome Group 87 - thank you for your 'thanks' in Tatler. For that I'm upgrading you to Business Class for the return flight ! Simon - Stansted 1 Flight Leader.

Group 35 would welcome another Group with a Chaplain to share Mass at Hosanna House on Friday at 17.00. Please contact Jerry Hawthorne.

To Perry. Sorry, Group 12 will be attending their Regional Mass at 14.00 in Lourdes. Likely not to be finished to help at Hosanna House.

Happy Birthday to Ashley Mwanza - he arrived on his 21st Birthday. Big Love and Cake - from 307.

A big Thank You to Group 84 for taking our youth to Gavarnie yesterday. Group 180.

Group 85 welcomes our new members Chris, Siobhan, Katie, but especially Christiana and Ifeoma, all the way from Nigeria. They have already taught us a new song accompanied by the Nigerian drum. Lora, who came with us as a 10 year old joins us as an assistant helper this year. She is teaching us all Braille. We wish her luck at university where she has a place to study physiotherapy.

Thanks to Tony (Chief Brancardier) for the loan of the missing banner pole: You have saved my bacon! From the leader of Group 56.

Happy 10th Birthday 181. We are missing you very much and we love you all - gorgeous people ! From Karen, Phil, Ella and baby Scarlet.

Calling all Coloma-ites. Coloma is 20 years old this year. To all former Coloma members - male and female - we'll have a drink to celebrate Wednesday 11th in Roi D'Albert. Do drop in. A big thank you and hug to Pat for the last 20 - here's to the next 20.

Phil Burns and Annie would like to express thanks for all the good wishes, presents and flowers received on the occasion of the birth of daughter number four - Nathalie Jane - who is now one week old!

Hello from Group 727 ! we are having Mass with Fr Kenny (thank you - and thanks to 133 for sacrificing him!) in Rotunde 2 at 6.00pm on Wednesday.