



THE BROUGHTON CATHOLIC CHARITABLE SOCIETY

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Dear Priest Member,

May I remind you of the Mass to be celebrated for all the Living Members of our Society **on Whit Tuesday**. Please remember specially those brother-priests who are prevented by infirmity from offering Mass themselves. Sadly, their numbers are increasing. This means that those who can accept Mass intentions for a Deceased Member are called upon more often, though the number of Masses is now left to the celebrant's discretion. A £17 offering is sent early in the New Year. If you would kindly complete and return the slip below it will tell me who can and who cannot accept Mass intentions in the next 12 months. Alternatively, please inform me by Email.

As mentioned previously, **THE SOCIETY NEEDS PRIESTS** in order to survive. At present, we have 195 priest-members, of whom the majority are able to accept Mass intentions when their turns come round every 2 or 3 years. I appeal to you to make this the year in which you enrol a brother-priest. As you know, entrance fees or annual subscriptions are not required. Instead, each priest agrees to offer a Mass for Living-Members on or about Whit Tuesday and a Mass for Deceased-Members on or around All Souls. If the priest is able to join the Mass rota, so much the better. The enrolment of younger priests is imperative. Some priests I've spoken to still have the impression that the Broughton Society is an elite society whose members join by special invitation. You know how wrong this notion is.

Our members often comment on how much they enjoy the company of their priests on Whit Tuesday. If you haven't been to the annual lunch for some time, or you have never been before, please would you make the effort this year. Both the food and the company are excellent and you are bound to meet someone you know.

God bless you all, and please keep the Society in your prayers.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Van Parys (Secretary)

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