

Newsletter

Cor et Lumen Christi Community, Highfield House Chertsey, February-October 2011



International Ministry



Miracle Healing Services



and more ...



Dear Friends and Benefactors

It's always such a wonderful privilege to be able to share with you the remarkable things that God is choosing to do through the Community. As you read through the following pages I pray that you will join with us in giving God thanks and praise for all that He is doing. And not least a huge thank you goes to all of you for your prayers, support and encouragement – it makes all the difference.



Polish Mission



Called to Glory



Bible Courses



The Living Word I

February 2011

I am writing this on the Feast of St Jerome who remarked that 'ignorance of the Scripture is ignorance of Christ'. In this Bible course we truly came to know Christ better through the Scriptures; we explored the Church's understanding of revelation and we fed upon this revelation in times of prayer and ministry. In a very moving time of ministry we ministered God's word to one another and many people said how they felt built up and renewed through an experience of the presence of God's love. In the times of praise and worship, during Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in addition to the teachings we were able to experience the richness of God's Word – to taste and see that the Lord is good. Duncan led the weekend and he was delighted to welcome David Payne, the Director of Catholic

evangelisation Services, who gave a very moving, practical and amusing presentation on how we can live out the word we receive in our day-to-day lives. All in all a very blessed and inspiring weekend.



The Charism School & Miracle Service

Hungary, March 2001

Damian went with Les, Stephen & Niklas to Hungary to do a Charism School and a Miracle Service in Budaörs, near Budapest. About 300 people attended the School, and it was a great success. As so often, most people had not really been used in the charismatic gifts in any dramatic way, and were delighted to see God working through them, prophesying to other participants who were strangers to them, and healing the sick! Damian had Stephen, Les and Niklas stand up in front of the whole congregation to give public prophesies to some of the participants, quite a nerve-wracking experience! But they were all able to share some accurate and meaningful words with the participants. We have had reports back from many of them who say that what they received was really helpful. The physical healing workshop was also great, God healing many physically sick people, mostly through the participants. The deliverance session was very blessed with scores of people saying they experienced freedom from demonic oppression of various kinds. On the last day Damian led a Miracle Service in a sports hall. Well organised,

beautiful worship, and a great turn-out with about 2,000 people attending. God yet again graced us with his amazing healing power. Many, many people were healed, among them a girl who was freed from her two leg braces and could walk and run freely. Another young woman, unable to straighten her legs since she was a small child because of muscular dystrophy, was healed and sprinted down the gym yelling for joy. Others were freed from their sticks and hearing aids. At the end of the service we found an abandoned wheelchair left by someone healed who had not testified. More than 60 people came forward at the altar call to give their lives to Jesus for the first time or turn from serious sin.

2000 people at
the service
Marvellous healings
Powerful deliverance

People from all over Hungary attended The Charism School, and as a direct result of that various groups around the country have been running healing outreaches of their own and have witnessed healings. Damian has been invited back to run the national conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Hungary, and to run the Word Power conference as a follow up to The Charism School. Praise God!



1. All these received from their partner (a stranger to them) an accurate and meaningful prophecy

2. Prophecy Workshop

3,4,5 The team giving personal prophecy

6. Girl healed – Since childhood she had been unable to straighten her legs.

7. Freed from two leg braces

Philip Course

March 2011

In March, we run a Philip Course for those who wanted to have encounter with Jesus. We were very surprised because we had more than 120 bookings for the course! It was a very anointed time. The majority of the participants were baptized in the Holy Spirit and started to speak in tongues for the very first time in their lives.

They said:

I am not afraid of God anymore, I met Jesus and I was able to say "Father" to God for the very first time...



I have found purpose in my life and, after going to confession, all the burdens I used to have are gone.

During this course, God showed me how much He loves me and he has healed a wound in my heart.

When people were praying over me, I felt not only the presence of the Holy Spirit but also a great joy and love, and I was able to forgive myself and others who hurt me...



Mass with the Bishop

March 2011

The Mass with the Bishop was to celebrate the community's 20th year and our formal Pontifical recognition. It was also the day for the first formal commitments of the Cor et Lumen Christi Mission Fellowship which is a body of highly committed people who share the vision and values of Cor et Lumen Christi and while not being members of the

community work closely with us in our mission and seek to live a life based on the same inspirations.



The Charism School & Miracle Service

Poland, April 2011

In April, we went to Poland. We had a Charism School and a Miracle Service in Kartuzy. This is a town in the historic Eastern region of northwestern Poland, located about 32 kilometres (20 mi) west of Gdańsk. There were more than 200 participants during The Charism School who were

very open and wanted to grow in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The beginning of the school was difficult due to a power cut; we had to praise the Lord and wait for a solution. However once this was resolved the whole school went very well. Damian's teaching was very good. The Holy Spirit time was very anointed and a great many of the participants received a correct and meaningful word from the Lord during the prophecy workshop. Moreover, we had a very good number of people who were healed during the physical healing workshop.

The organisers said:

We found the retreat really fruitful and it made our faith grow significantly. We have also been receiving confirmations, including medical ones, of



Deaf man healed

the healings that took place. We also want to stress again that the time of the Charism School was a time of great grace for our community as well. We would like to stay in touch with you.

Some of these medical confirmations refer to the Miracle Service which took place in a local church. The church was full and people were really open. Among the many physical healings there was one man who had a severe hearing problem for most of his life, being totally

deaf in one ear and with significant hearing loss in the other, and God healed him. Damian also blessed a scarf of the lady who wanted to pray for her father who had an accident and was in coma in a local hospital. The man also had a severe fever and the doctor said he would not survive the night. She took the scarf, laid it upon him and prayed. On the next day her father woke up completely healed. Within 24 hours he was sent home completely well! Praise the Lord!

Called to Glory II

April 2011

In April Niklas ran "Called to Glory II", the second of a new series of conferences. "Called to Glory" aims to present the riches of Catholic teaching on the faith in a dynamic, inspirational and practical

way, in order to help participants to more deeply appreciate and understand their faith, aid and encourage them in their life as disciples of Christ, as well as giving them an opportunity to glorify

God and receive His Light through Spirit led ministry, extended times of praise and worship, reflective prayer, and fellowship with others.

The theme of "Called to Glory II" is encountering the glory and grace of the Creator through his creation, and about 50 people came to hear Niklas give talks on the creator, how God uses creation to communicate supernatural life in the sacraments, the great God-given dignity of the human person, explored the 'language' of sacraments and God's call to be a life-giver.



Niklas exploring sacramental theology with the help of sweets

Cathy Stayne then took over and spoke about praying with creation in her typical warm way, full of wisdom. Saturday night we had a wonderful time in our Fire & Light session, praising Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and receiving his encouragement and grace in ministry.

This time we had the great privilege of enjoying Salv Lomanto leading us in praise and worship the

whole weekend, and he did a fantastic job, being both a skilled musician and a very anointed worship leader. Thank you, Salv!

This is what some of the participants said:

"Wonderful informative talks from Niklas and Cathy, wonderful music from Salv. Fantastic prayerful adoration, and spot on ministry. I cannot thank you enough!"

"I need and want more! The topic could be explored deeper and further. Will there be a Called to Glory III?" (yes, there will! In February 2012)



Fire & Light: Praising Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Catholic Miracle Rally

May 2011

Our largest annual event in the UK, for the sixth year running! After last years' experience with one of our main speakers unable to make it, we thought we were ready for anything. We had a great lineup of speakers: J John, Bishop Ambrose Griffiths, Maria Toth (from Premier Radio and a member of our community) and Damian. But due to serious illness both Bishop Ambrose and Maria were unable to make it. Bishop Ambrose has since gone to his Maker, after a long life of



service to the Church and especially the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. However, we are very pleased to say that Maria not only recovered, but has since been married to Andy Rodrigues, also a member of our community. Congratulations Maria & Andy!

But we were faced with an interesting problem – how to replace not one but *two* main speakers in time for the Rally? We found

replacements in David Matthews – long standing friend of the community, former protestant pastor, recent convert to Catholicism – and our very own Andrew Fava, who leads St Cuthbert's, our community house in Cumbria. About 750-800 people turned up Saturday morning. Joe Wells & band did an absolutely brilliant job at leading us all in praise & worship. David spoke first, and after Mass and lunch Andrew spoke. With such short



*Left-Andrew Fava Right-J. John
preaching*

notice, it's great if people can come up with something reasonably good, but they both gave fantastic talks! Andrew led us into a time of ministering the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and this session was very good. The prayer team widely agreed that the people were very open and vulnerable, hungry for the touch of God, and God really blessed them. That same evening, we were at full capacity for the Miracle Service, with between 1,000 – 1,100 people there. Damian was on good form as always and led the ministry from the front. Yet again God showed his power and healed many from a wide variety of physical problems. Three healings stood out. A young woman had cut a tendon in her hand in an



Deafness in right ear healed

accident, leaving her with very limited movement

and constant pain. After prayer the pain was gone and her movement was completely free. She was really surprised! A woman who had been deaf in one ear for 40 years, received her hearing back. And lastly a woman who arrived walking with great difficulty using a crutch ran around the hall and refused to take her crutch home.

On Sunday Fr Emmanuel, CFR, was main celebrant at Mass and also led the Eucharistic Healing Service. This is always a very special event, with the priest processing the Blessed Sacrament around the whole hall, people reaching out to him with their hearts and bodies, finishing with an extended time of exuberant and loud praise of our wonderful Saviour. This year, there was such a strong sense of Jesus' presence as Fr Emmanuel was processing around the hall, it became so clear that he was bringing Christ to the people, where they were sitting or standing, open to receive him, giving him their needs, their hurts. It was beautiful to witness.



Eucharistic Healing Service

The Sunday afternoon session was given over to J John, the famous Anglican evangelist and author. J John is a very engaging and extremely funny speaker. He spoke for well over an hour, and it was totally engaging, he did not lose his focus nor the attention of the audience for a second in all that time. What he was saying wasn't just entertaining and memorable, it was also so relevant, immediately applicable. We were very blessed to have him come. Indeed, the whole event was very blessed indeed – brilliant speakers; fantastic praise & worship; deep, varied and powerful ministry: a very special weekend. Praise the Lord!

National Charismatic Conference

Athlone (Ireland), June 2011

Damian was invited to speak and lead a miracle healing service at this, the 40th anniversary conference in Athlone. After stimulating people's faith with a talk and by showing clips of previous miracles from other healing services Damian began by praying for problems with arms, legs, hands, shoulders, etc. God's love and desire to heal his people was demonstrated by the over seventy hands that were raised to testify that people had experienced healing after the prayer. Let us share with you a few of the testimonies from this time of prayer. One lady had experienced a long-term problem with her knee, which would dislocate easily and was often swollen and painful. After the prayer the pain disappeared along with the swelling and she was able to move her knee freely for the first time since she was fifteen years old. One of the other conference speakers had from a young age had a fractured spine which resulted in a number of problems, including pain when rising from a chair. After the prayer he felt a change in his posture and was able to stand up freely and for the first time in many years was able to kneel. A gentleman, who had suffered from a frozen shoulder for ten years and could not raise his arm above shoulder height, demonstrated to everyone how he could now raise

Over 90 people
healed;
many people's faith
strengthened.

his arm freely above his head. God seemed particularly gracious to those suffering from hearing problems. Eighteen people raised their hands to indicate that their hearing had improved after prayer. Among this number were at least five who were able to remove their hearing aids. One lady had been incapable of hearing at all from her left ear and had very limited hearing in her right ear. This problem had been present since 1994. After the prayer she was able to hear normal conversational speech without her hearing aid. A friend confirmed on stage how significant was the improvement. One of the priests present during the Conference also came up to testify that he could now hear without his hearing aid. Finally

four participants testified that there had been an improvement in their eyesight. Of these the most remarkable was a man with a congenital condition which rendered him and his brothers incapable of seeing all but a very limited range of colours. Most of what he observed was seen in shades of grey. After the prayer he gave a very moving testimony of how the world had now lit up for him and was full of colour. What an astounding experience it was to be able to see God work and heal so many people – Praise Jesus!

Andrew Session

June 2011

In June, we had an Andrew Session where we taught people about how to be a witness and also how to have closer relationship with the Holy Spirit. For this course we had more than 110 bookings! It was a very good time although some of the participants had never been to any of our courses before. The prayer for more intimacy with the Holy Spirit was very special. People were very open, hungry for God. The feedback was very positive. What people stressed the most was:

- Very practical and helpful teachings
- They were deeply touched during the ministry time

- They were blessed by the P&W
- And of course...polish food was brilliant! :)



Equipping others to be a witness

Proclaim

June 2011

10 years ago Damian wrote a training day to equip people in teaching and preaching skills. He felt that we should run this day again this year. 85 people attended from various backgrounds.

The day dealt with practical and spiritual aspects of growing in teaching and speaking plus a workshop to put into practice what was learnt.

The feedback was great, for example:

'Proclaim training day was an excellent training experience and suited for all levels of competence. The day was delivered by Damian Stayne with humour and expertise. The skills were clearly demonstrated and no-one felt 'put on the spot' at any time. There was however plenty of encouragement to step out in faith and put new skills into practice. This was ably accomplished by four volunteers at the end of the day; I am sure



A joyful moment of the training

they learnt from that experience as did the other participants who cheered them on. Highly recommended. Five leaders from the St Augustine's prayer group, Tunbridge Wells, benefited and have shown marked improvement in their delivery of teaching in their leadership role.'

The Barnabas Course

July 2011

This course is an excellent tool to help people grow in their Christian identity, develop in their ability to overcome sin in their lives, deal with spiritual



Praise and Worship time

difficulties that arise in life, learn how to read the Bible in depth and discern and be led by the Holy

Spirit. It's a packed weekend! The teachings are very focussed and there is an extended period for personal prayer ministry connected with forgiveness which runs for the whole of the Saturday evening during which time participants are able to receive the Lord's love and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Confession. Let us share with you some of the feedback which we received:

'I overcame something I have been struggling with for many years'; 'Saturday's time of reconciliation was extremely powerful and deeply touched me'; 'It was a wonderful experience I have never had before; please do it again'. In addition lots of people (and one of the priests) said how deep was the time of Confession. We had a great cross-section of people – some who had been involved in the Renewal for a long time, others who were more recently baptised in the Holy Spirit but the feedback which we received all tells of the growth people experienced in their life with God.

The Charism School & Miracle Service

Washington D.C., July 2011

In July we travelled to the U.S.A. where we ran The Charism School in Washington D.C for around 250 people. Some participants had travelled from other states including some from Texas and some from Georgia.

The School went very well thanks be to God with the usual amazing release of prophetic and word of knowledge gifts among the vast majority. The Holy Spirit time was very deep as people were touched by the Lord. The deliverance session was also very powerful with scores of people being liberated including some quite dramatic cases. One woman who had fallen to the floor and writhed like a snake at the general prayer to God for deliverance, came to Damian at the end and shared how



The service itself went extremely well with many healings. These included a man with two hearing aids, a woman on a stick who had only been able to walk slowly with a stick for more than 15 years.

During her testimony she ran and jumped with her stick held aloft. A little girl who had been born with poor sight in one eye testified with her mother that after the prayer her bad eye was now as good as her good eye. Another woman who had been crippled with

fibromyalgia for many years following a major operation and unable to walk normally ran up and down the church and then prostrated herself on the floor thanking Jesus she was so moved. Several people had their arms healed of various conditions. One woman had no feeling in her right arm and was quite unable to lift it for over a year. She joyfully demonstrated her healing reaching straight up with complete confidence.

At the end of the service as



Healed from deafness, hearing aids redundant

during the ministry for deliverance she had felt power and love and goodness pouring into her while evil fled out of her, then great peace.

We had asked the organisers to arrange for the Miracle Healing Service to be held in a poor area. So they booked a church downtown. When they visited the church to distribute handbills advertising the Healing Miracle Service the massive 1,000 seater church only had 150 at Sunday mass and the benches in the back half of the church were roped off.

However the organisers did great publicity in the local newspaper and in the Catholic press and on the day the church was completely full with people standing at the back.



Lame woman jumping after the prayer

usual we had an altar call for those who wanted to give their lives to Jesus for the first time or who were involved in serious sin and wanted to repent and start again. About 15 people came forward and committed their lives to Jesus and asked him for forgiveness for their sins. We then prayed for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon every one and for all other sicknesses of those present and their absent sick relatives and friends.

John Course

August 2011

In August we had a John Course for those who would like to be more like the St John the Beloved, to learn more about how to listen to the Lord and have deeper intimacy with Jesus our Master. We had over 80 participants in the room and this group of people was very special. After seven years running these courses in England we have never had such a mature, open, and really likable group. It was such a pleasure to run this course! Their openness really helped them to have a fantastic time with Jesus.

They said:

The biggest blessing for me was prayer and Adoration. I felt God's presence and He spoke to me. It was an amazing feeling!!!

When people were praying for me, I felt purification. I was crying and then was filled with joy and incredible peace.



Give us Lord listening heart!

For me, the Sacrament of Reconciliation was such a blessing and also God healed my arm. I wasn't able to straighten my arm and had pain in my left arm but now I am totally healed.

I have learnt how to be Jesus' disciple and He gave me a listening heart, peace and strength to follow Him.

Retreat for Chemin Neuf community

France, August 2011

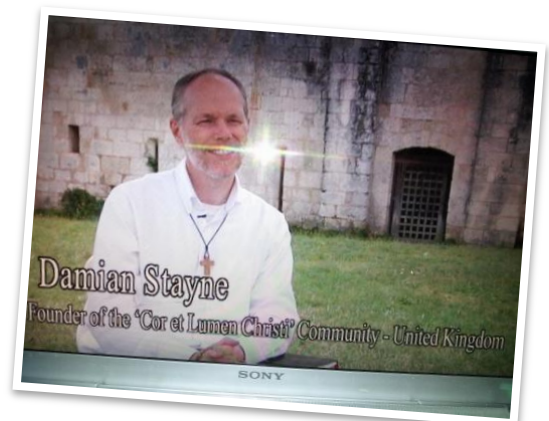
In August Damian went with Cathy and their children John and Miryam to France to give the teaching on



Damian teaching on the event

the Chemin Neuf Community national community retreat. Six hundred members of the community were present and Damian gave a slightly abbreviated version of The Charism School and led a Miracle Healing Service. Once again the response

was wonderful in the prophecy workshop, the Holy Spirit ministry, the deliverance session and the Miracle Healing Service. Many were healed of various conditions. In addition Damian was interviewed for a DVD ministry of the community called 'NET for God' (which goes out to 66



Damian interviewed by the Chemin Neuf

countries) as a small part of a film about the various facets of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Mission Fellowship Formation Day

September, 2011

The family of Cor et Lumen Christi has been very blessed by the presence of the Mission Fellowship who have served so faithfully and with much fruit on the many courses that we run – both English and Polish. In September we met together in Highfield House to deepen our fellowship with one another and grow in our understanding of the mission that

God has entrusted to us. Damian led a day of formation centred around the fundamental call that we have to prayer, and about our identity as members of the Cor et Lumen Christi family. At the end of the day we really felt that our communion with God and one another had grown – Thanks be to God.

Miracle Service

Canning Town (London), September 2011

One Wednesday evening in September most of the community went to St Margaret's & All Saints Church in Canning Town, London, where Damian was preaching and ministering at a Miracle Service. About 200 people turned up enjoying praise & worship led by our very own James Fitzgerald and team. We were delighted to have Javier Elderfield, an old friend and former member of the



community, playing the keyboard – he is exceptionally skilled musically and a really nice guy as well!

God touched many of the people wonderfully, and a couple of healings stand out.

One boy could not read without glasses, but after prayer he came up to testify that he was healed, demonstrating by accurately reading out loud text on the screen at the front of the church, from the

very back of the church without his glasses! There was also a woman who arrived at the service having to use a stick to be able to walk. She left that evening without her stick, perfectly able to walk freely! As a response to this, over a

Ministry time in the local church

dozen people came up to the front, wanting to repent of their sin, turn to Christ and proclaim him as their Lord and Saviour. It was a really blessed evening.

The Healing School & Miracle Service

October 2011

The community has been running The Charism School for over 10 years now, and almost from the very beginning, people have asked for a follow up course. So a few years back Damian wrote The Prophecy Training School which was well received and has likewise been running successfully for many years. But lots of people wanted a follow up conference on the gifts of healing, and so finally Damian wrote The Healing School, and we decided

to run it as our Autumn Conference this year. We had about 220 people attending plus team, so we had to move over to the Salesian Hall next door which holds about 300. Damian was teaching with great conviction, and the physical healing workshop was already on the Friday night. We had about a dozen people coming up to testify to being healed, God having acted through the participants

themselves, the majority of which had never been used in a physical healing before.



Damian teaching on the Healing School

On the Saturday Matt Dean & band joined us, leading us in praise and worship. It was a joy for us to welcome Matt back after his sabbatical – The Healing School was his first job after his year-long break, and he was on great form! We had teaching and workshops on tracking the Holy Spirit and inner healing, and a Miracle Service in the evening. Over 300 people turned up for the Service, and we had a wonderful time.

On Sunday we had more worship and teaching on deliverance followed by a deliverance session. God was very gracious to us throughout the weekend, and moved deeply and powerfully in many peoples' hearts. The feedback was very positive, and people are already asking whether we will run this course again. The answer is that we are very likely to, but we don't know yet when.

The Conference Room Appeal

Update

As any of you who have attended a course here in Highfield House over the past few years will know we had an extremely dilapidated Conference Room which was in urgent need of a complete refurbishment. I am delighted to be able to report that your generosity and those of other people who contributed have meant that we have been able to completely renovate the Conference Room. This has included a complete redecoration of the room, a new carpet, blinds and 100 new chairs – we hardly know ourselves. Those of you who have visited us over the Summer will have been amazed at the transformation.



The recently renovated conference room

We give thanks to God and to all those whose donations - large and small – have enabled this work to take place. It has greatly enhanced people's experience of the ministry they receive here in Highfield House.