

## **Chaplaincy Group: Katherine House on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

The fifth meeting began on a clear and frosty morning. As the time to begin drew near we numbered 12. I hope that this short letter provides is a true flavour of the day and brings the salient points to those who were unable to be present. The focus of the day was 'Preparing in Advent'.

The entire day was facilitated by Sister Teresa. At this point it is right to say how energetically and enthusiastically she provided input, ideas and led us to dance! For all of that she deserves our thanks and gratitude.

During the day we were guided to pause and reflect as to how themes such as 'joy', 'waiting', 'longing' and 'stillness'.

Prayer lay at the heart of the day. We were given resources using song, poetry, picture and story, all of which focused on the time of Advent.

As one who had only heard of 'Circle Dancing', I am now better informed and can claim to have some practical experience. I was intrigued how the links were made with the Jewish community in the area, Weddings on Wednesday afternoons and viewing a car park from an upstairs window!

The only 'blip' seemed to be the late arrival of lunch – and that was down to traffic delays on the journey. Again, it only remains to thank you who were there, and to thank Sister Teresa for the time and care she had most obviously given to preparing for our day.

Please make a note of the following places and dates and, if at all possible, join us:

- **20<sup>th</sup> November** (for 2pm)– please remember that it follows an invitation from Bishop Brain to meet with him at Wardley Hall.
- **5<sup>th</sup> March 2008 – 9.30am meet at Just Youth House**, 61 Leicester Road, Higher Broughton. Invitations have been extended to a Rainbows (Spectrum) Director and the LIFE Educational Director to join with us. Kevin and members of the team will open to us the 'secrets' of Just Youth.
- **19<sup>th</sup> June 2008** – a day at **Whalley Abbey** commences at **9.00am**. The day will be a chance to rest and gather together; it is hoped that a 'special' musical resources item will form part of the day.

May Advent be 'shot through with joy' for you all,

(I have attached some items (Reading & picture; Music list) from the day provided by Sister Teresa.)

Prayers and Best wishes,  
Bernard