



Burnley's £2000 For Rescue Society

A marvellous £2000 was raised in 2009-10 by **Burnley Circle** for the Catholic Children's Rescue Society.



The picture shows President Ken Tyson (left) making the presentation to Fr Michael Waters, Parish Priest of St John the Baptist Church, Burnley, who is a Governor of the charity, watched by Mrs Angela Tyson.

Aylesbury Support The Smile Train UK

Tom O'Reilly, President for 2009/2010 of **Aylesbury Circle** chose as his charity Smile Train which has set itself the objective of curing the world of cleft pallets by operating on every child born with one, by training local doctors in local hospitals to operate on boys and girls in their local communities.

The charity was set up in 1999 and during the past 11 years it has been able to provide more than 580,000 free cleft repair surgeries. It has also trained more than 59,000 medical professionals and built partnerships with over 1,200 hospitals and clinics in developing countries.

This charity was keenly supported by the Circle and during the year the sum of £3,000 was raised. A cheque was presented to Tom by Brendan Sparks, the newly elected President for 2010/2011. For anyone wanting to support this charity, donations can be made via www.SmileTrain.org.uk or by mail to The Smile Train UK, PO Box 908, Northampton, NN3 0BE.



The picture shows the ladies and Circle brothers witnessing the presentation by Brendan Sparks to Tom O'Reilly

Middlesbrough Support Lourdes Brancardiers

Middlesbrough Circle's 82nd Annual Clergy Dinner in January raised £2,000 for the Middlesbrough Fund. Head Brancardier Mr Joe Harrison, who was a guest at the dinner, said, "This is a very generous donation from the Catenians and will provide help for the Brancardiers as they prepare for the Middlesbrough Diocesan Annual pilgrimage on 28th May".

The cheque was presented to Mr Harrison by Circle Treasurer Roland Connelly, right



Bedford Supports SSAFA

SSAFA, the charity which helps and supports servicemen and their families, was chosen by Brian Sellers, **Bedford Circle** President for 2009/10, as his charity. The Circle generously donated over £1,760 during the year and a cheque was presented to Peter Ayee, Chairman of the Bedfordshire branch of SSAFA, after dinner following the April Circle meeting.



Pictured, left to right, are: President for 2010 Martin Brennan, with Peter Ayee and Brian Sellers

Torbay to Tynemouth with HCPT in Lourdes

The first meeting of Catenian brothers involved with the Easter HCPT Pilgrimage took place on the Wednesday evening of Easter week. There were 16 brothers in attendance from **Torbay, Ormskirk, Bishops Stortford, Rugby, London SW, Durham, Newport, Esher, Gateshead, Brooklands, North Cheshire and Tynemouth Circles.**

There was a very pleasant meeting and discussion and with HCPT's Chief Executive Tony Mills (Rugby Circle) in attendance; a number of views and ideas were exchanged. It was interesting to hear the views of two brothers from the North East who were experiencing Lourdes in HCPT style for the first time and other brothers from the Home Counties who were part of "The Bold and Old" some of the founding fathers of HCPT.

Everyone who attended thought that it was a good idea and should be repeated next year, so God willing, next year 27th April, 5.30 pm, Bar of the Gallia et Londres, Rue de la Grotte. Put it in your diaries.