



Cheque for Kirsty

Kirsty Robbins of the Holy Family parish in Dunblane is pictured at the end of the 11am Mass on Sunday 10th January receiving a Bursary Fund cheque of £1000 from Joe McKee, President of **Stirling Circle**.

Also present at the Mass were Brendan Ward (Vice President Stirling Circle) and Kevin Campbell (Registrar) who both supported her application along with the celebrant, parish priest Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan.

17 year old Kirsty, a final year pupil at Dunblane High School, will spend a year in Uganda from August 2010 teaching in a local school. She is supported in this venture by the educational charity Project Trust. Fr Pat McGuire of the SMA Fathers in Dunblane has wide experience of Uganda and is also arranging for Kirsty to undertake a variety of activities within the local Catholic community.



Milton Keynes - Oh Yes We Were!

Some 105 brothers of **Milton Keynes Circle**, their families and friends gathered at the Stantonbury Theatre, Milton Keynes, on 27th December 2009 to see the pantomime *Beauty and the Beast*. As usual, the local Amateur Operatic Society put on a delightful interactive performance. It has become such a traditional activity that the organiser, John Mulligan, will be asking neighbouring circles to join in the festivity next year and possibly fill the auditorium.



The photograph shows some of the party with the main characters of the cast

West Norfolk Enjoy Visit to RAF Marham

A visit was arranged for members of **West Norfolk Circle** by Terry Austin to RAF Marham.



Fife Send Jim to Coventry

City of Coventry Circle's January meeting occurred in the midst of the snow and ice storms, but that did not deter them. They held their Mass for Deceased Brothers at St Thomas More Church at 6.30pm then went to the Golf Club for the meeting which started with the enrolment of Jim Etheridge who transferred in from Fife St Margaret Circle.

The Circle also welcomed back Michael Jackson and his wife Marie Ann who have been working in Mexico for several years.



Photo shows Jim and Catherine Etheridge with Anne and President Dominic O'Brien

Strings Attached in Birmingham

City of Birmingham Circle held a lunchtime meeting between Christmas and New Year. As usual they had what is claimed to be the quickest meeting of the year in Province 6 (or even further afield) – about 13 minutes. The excellent meal was made all the more enjoyable by live music provided by the Sine Nomine String Quartet. These talented young musicians all play for the CBSO Youth Orchestra. They played a variety of music and also accompanied some carols.



President David Symonds is pictured with the musicians