



## the newman holiday trust

changes lives...



Established in 1981, the Trust began by running a one week summer holiday for children with special needs. The Trust now provides holidays for over 120 disabled children aged 5-16 each year, in various locations around the UK. The holidays provide a range of fun activities in a safe and supported environment and use a care ratio of one helper to one child at all times.

The Trust is an entirely voluntary organisation and owes its success to over 200 people who dedicate their free time to helping these children. This voluntary structure ensures that every penny raised goes directly towards a child's holiday.

The Holidays are set in carefully selected venues and are hugely energetic, inspiring and full of fun and laughter. Activities include theme park and cinema trips, creative workshops, swimming, horse-riding, bouncy castles and more. The holidays also allow for quieter, more relaxed moments

The Trust's one-to-one care ratio ensures individual attention: one to one care ratio allows care for children with most diagnoses including Cerebral Palsy, Down's Syndrome, Attention Deficit Disorder, Severe Learning Difficulties, Autistic Spectrum Disorders, Epilepsy and Muscular Dystrophy.

The Trust Aims:

- to provide high quality, activity-based holidays for children with special needs at no cost to the child's family or carer.
- to support the full time carers of these children by giving them a respite week.
- to give the best possible care for children with disabilities through qualified training of volunteers .

**How Church of the Holy Name has supported The Newman**

**Trust.....** Our last Parish Ball raised over £6,000. In 2005 we held a book sale which made £233 and £140 was raised from the Mother's Day flower sale in 2006.

[www.newmantrust.org](http://www.newmantrust.org)



**CAFOD has been fighting poverty in developing countries since 1962. It is the official Catholic Agency for Overseas Development in England and Wales.**

CAFOD believes that all human beings have a right to dignity and respect, and that the world's resources are a gift to be shared equally by all men and women, whatever their race, nationality or religion.

CAFOD is a member of the Caritas International Federation, a worldwide network of Catholic relief and development organisations.

CAFOD raises funds from the Catholic community in England and Wales, the UK government and the general public so that it can:

- promote long-term development
- respond to emergencies,
- identify the causes of poverty and raise public awareness of them
- Speak out on behalf of poor communities, explaining the underlying causes of poverty and challenging governments and international bodies to adopt policies that promote equality and justice.
- promote human development and social justice in witness to Christian faith and gospel values.

**How The Church of The Holy Name has supported CAFOD** .....Twice a year we have Family Fast Day,—at Lent and in October. The amount saved by fasting is returned in the Cafod Envelope the following weekend. The collection goes directly to Cafod for their work in overseas aid and development.

Appeals were made by Cafod after terrible disasters such as the Pakistan earthquake, for which we raised £705 in October 2005. After the Asian Tsunami. A parishioner held a concert which raised over £4,000 and appeals topped our contributions to over £5,400  
Parishioners showed amazing generosity at this time.

[www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)



The aim of **Thames Homeless Project (THP)** is to help prevent and alleviate the effects of homelessness. They help single people from Elmbridge, Runnymede and Spelthorne who do not qualify for help from the local authorities. After tireless fundraising and campaigning THP teamed up with Spelthorne Housing Association and purchased a house in Walton-on-Thames. THP contributed £50,000 towards the cost. The house was renovated and each room furnished.

THP has undertaken to help secure a sound financial future for the hostel, named Thames Haven, and from the start has worked to make this accommodation a home, not just a place to stay.

The charity is also currently supporting the development of a new Nightstop initiative in the area.

Ways in which the general public can help THP include donating good quality furniture, food, toiletries and funds or volunteer to help at fund-raising events.

**How Church of Holy Name has supported THP....** Our Parish gives an annual donation. Last December a Sleepover was organised by Churches Together in Esher and Claygate and took place in our Church porch. Afterwards one of the Advent collections was made for the charity and raised £467. The Harvest Festival gifts kindly donated by parishioners were gratefully received by the Hostel

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- pays fair prices that cover the full cost of production and enable a living wage and other fair rewards to be earned by producers.
- provides credit when needed to allow orders to be fulfilled and pays premiums to be used to provide further benefits to producer communities.
- encourages the fair treatment of all workers, ensuring good conditions in the workplace and throughout the supply chain.
- aims to build up long-term relationships, rather than looking for short-term commercial advantage.

#### **How Church of the Holy Name has supported Traidcraft**

....the TRADCRAFT shop in the Church porch sells tea, coffee and other Fair trade produce. The shop is manned by volunteers and opens after Mass at weekends. More help is always needed and anyone willing to help to run the shop would be very welcome to join the rota.

**[www.traidcraft.co.uk](http://www.traidcraft.co.uk)**