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March 2010 Newsletter

Welcome to Purley Chase Centre Newsletter in which we will be keeping you up to date with what is happening here at the centre.



Hi Everyone

I have just walked around the grounds and I can see the snowdrops appearing that were put in last year, so the squirrels didn't dig them all up!

March is going to be very busy month with lots of new people using the centre to run their own events, also a local Church is coming for a day event which David has been asked to talk at.

Easter falls early this year so if you feel like a few days away relaxing perhaps Purley is the place, just contact myself or Sally to book in. There will be a service on Easter Sunday (4th April) at 11a.m. with lunch afterwards so if you would like to come for the day please give us a call on 01827 712370.

Best wishes Anne.

How tempting!

Greetings! We are all tempted in some way or another and temptations continue throughout our lives here on Earth. Whether it be to eat that extra piece of cake, or working at spiriting away someone else's spouse; the effect usually creates an unpleasant tension within oneself; often called conscience. The tension is created by a battle between what is 'spiritual' and what is 'natural.' As Paul the apostle said, 'The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.' Spiritual things are about developing values and

habits that enable harmony between human beings. Whereas natural or worldly things are generally about selfish things in all their variety. "There is a universal law that is unchanging and perpetual in the spiritual world (the afterlife): the law that you are not to do to others anything except that which you wish others to do to you" (Swedenborg, Arcana Coelestia 8223). Often it is difficult to discern whether our thoughts or actions are socially disharmonious or not. Seeking the right sort of spiritual teaching and practicing it in life eventually gives us a 'sixth sense' as to what to do and what not to do; this is wisdom, one of the defining qualities of heaven. There is a well known phrase: "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread!" "Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted..." (Mtt 4:1) There is really no other way of building heavenly qualities within our spirits, and thus after this life entering heaven, than to rise above or resist selfish and worldly attractions. Sow a thought, reap an action. Sow an action, reap a habit. Sow a habit and reap a destiny.

I wish you productive thoughts on the subject: Rev. David Gaffney.

Events coming up over the next few months:

A course in Miracles – 2nd to 4th April

Relationships – 16th to 18th April

The way of an Angel – 23rd to 25th April

Tackling our Fears – 30th April to 2nd May

Castles in the air – 21st to 23rd May

Young Families – 28th to 31st May

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