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## FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Stonyhurst Foundation has had a wonderful year. The generosity of OS and the wider Stonyhurst family has been overwhelming and this incredibly generous support has enabled the Foundation to sponsor 34 pupils this year. We granted £751,268 to Stonyhurst in November 2021 to support these pupils. On behalf of the Foundation Trustees, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support and your generosity in assisting the next generation of “Men and Women for Others.”

*Michael Joseph*

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Christmas 2021 marks the Foundation's second full calendar year of operation, and in spite of the difficulties of a year of lockdowns and restrictions there is a great deal to celebrate. We have raised more than £6.6M over that period. The College currently has its biggest pupil roll since the Second World War. Boarding Playrooms are full. I would like to pay tribute to our tremendous team who have, with unfailing cheerfulness, set new standards and ambitions in the most difficult circumstances. We look forward to 2022 with great hope for continued success.

*Stephen Willmott*



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## IDPE CELEBRATING IMPACT AWARDS

We are delighted to announce that The Stonyhurst Foundation has been formally recognised by the IDPE (Institute for Development Professionals in Education) in its '*Celebrating Impact Awards*'.

Each November the IDPE recognises those schools and endowments which it believes have had the greatest impact in their community and beyond.

Cathie Butcher, Foundation Manager and Suzanne Wheeler, Head of Development, recorded a podcast with the CEO of IDPE so that fundraisers in other Independent Schools can hear what the Foundation does, and learn about its journey.

The podcast is a great, short refresher on what the Foundation and the Stonyhurst Development Office have been doing during COVID and a summary of achievements to date.

Huge thank you to Cathie, Suzanne, Eva, and Lorna for their hard work, and to all staff who help the team in so many ways – Stonyhurst is the only school to receive this recognition so far this year.

The podcast is available to listen to on The Stonyhurst Foundation website.



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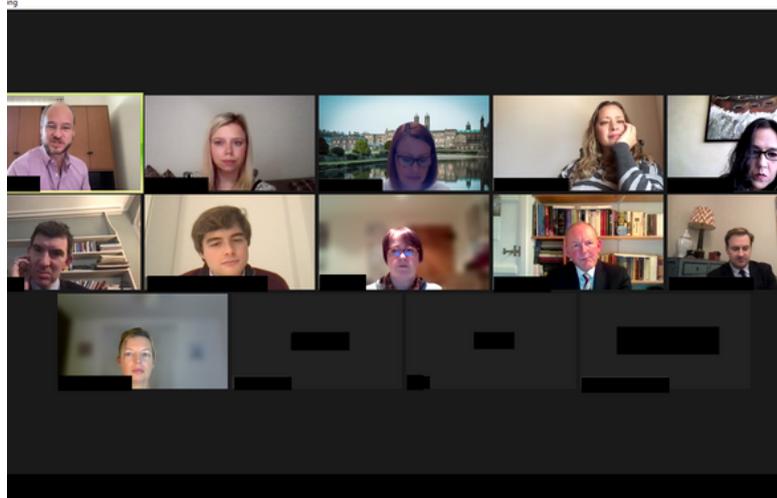


## ONLINE RECEPTIONS

The lifting of COVID restrictions has allowed us to host a number of in person events both in the UK and overseas. However, following the success of our online receptions last year, we have continued and will continue to organise these for members of the Stonyhurst family around the world.

On Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd December we held an online USA and Canada Reception and a Mexican Reception respectively.

It was lovely to see so many members of the Stonyhurst community virtually joining us from their various locations. The evenings provided everyone with the opportunity to catch up and reminisce about their time at Stonyhurst.



## OXFORD

100 years ago, on the 30th November 1921 an Oxford OS dinner was held at the Clarendon Hotel, Oxford. Almost exactly 100 years later, at Champion Hall, Oxford, we held a similar dinner for OS who are currently studying or working at Oxford University and for members of the Champion Hall community.

Prior to the dinner, Mark Thompson OS and Patron of the Foundation, gave a talk on 'The Real Battle for Free Speech'. We were thrilled to be joined by members of the Champion Hall community and Oxford University, together with over 120 people watching the livestream. This included Rhetoricians and OS from across the UK and the globe, including Thailand, the USA and Newfoundland.



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## RHETORIC 2021/2022 ST ALOYSIUS BURSARY

### RHETORIC 2022 ST ALOYSIUS BURSARY

We are pleased to share with you the following message from our Rhetoricians.

We have decided, as a Playroom, to make our leaving gift to Stonyhurst a gift that will be remembered long after our school days are behind us. We know first-hand how very special a Stonyhurst education is and all the advantages we have been lucky enough to enjoy. We have therefore decided that our Playroom gift will be a bursary, enabling a child who financially would be unable to attend Stonyhurst to benefit from the advantage we have enjoyed - a Stonyhurst education.

A dedicated brochure and video have been created detailing our ambitions and can be viewed on The Stonyhurst Foundation website.

Donations can be made via our JustGiving page: <https://justgiving.com/campaign/rhetoric2022>  
To discuss donating via bank transfer contact the Foundation Office at: [foundation@stonyhurt.ac.uk](mailto:foundation@stonyhurt.ac.uk)

We will be holding a small number of fundraising events throughout this academic year. We look forward to sharing news of our fundraising efforts at Great Academies in the summer.

With all best wishes,

*Rhetoric 22*



# EVENTS



## CHORAL EVENING PRAYER SERVICE AT HAMPTON COURT

On the 23rd August 2021, Stonyhurst was delighted to be part of the Choral Evening Prayer Service, in the Chapel Royal at Hampton Court, on the occasion of the 'Gold and Glory' exhibition which was on display at Hampton Court Palace. Stonyhurst was honoured to be a major supporter of this extraordinary exhibition, lending the Henry VII Chasuble, among other artefacts.

The Choral Service, led by Reverend Canon Paul Wright MA Sub-Dean of Her Majesty's Chapels and Reverend Father Damian Howard SJ Provincial, was well attended by members of the Stonyhurst family, including OS, current and past parents.



Our pupils in the choir, as well as pupils from other British Jesuit schools, were treated to an in-depth educational visit to the exhibition, led by our Curator, Dr Jan Graffius FSA, before giving a beautiful choral performance in the Chapel.

Following the Service, guests gathered for a drinks reception in Hampton Court. It was wonderful to see so many members of the Stonyhurst community together again.



This special occasion was a combined effort between the Collections, the Music Department, the Development Team, The Stonyhurst Foundation, the British Jesuit Province and Hampton Court. Our thanks go to the team at Hampton Court, without whom this event would not have been possible.

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## THOMAS WELD SOCIETY MASS AND AFTERNOON TEA IN LONDON

On Wednesday 13th October, Stonyhurst organised a Mass of Thanksgiving for members of the Thomas Weld Society and supporters of Stonyhurst and The Stonyhurst Foundation.

The Mass, which took place at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, London, was concelebrated by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ and Fr Nick King SJ and was well attended by members of the Stonyhurst family.

Following Mass, guests were invited to a sparkling afternoon tea, providing the perfect opportunity for everyone to catch up with old friends and meet new ones.

Our thanks go to Fr Dominic SJ and Fr Nick SJ for a wonderful Service and to Catherine Crombie, Lay Chaplain at Stonyhurst College, for her assistance.

This event was popular and allowed Stonyhurst to thank all those who do so much to support the College.

We are looking forward to next year's annual events. More details will follow in due course.

If you would like to find out more about how to leave a legacy gift, please contact the Development Team at :  
[development@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:development@stonyhurst.ac.uk).



# UPCOMING EVENTS



## CLASSIC CAR TOUR

A provisional booking, for a maximum of 12 couples/cars, has been made at the Inn at Whitewell for the nights of 24th-26th May 2022.

### Schedule:

- **Tuesday afternoon** - arrive at Stonyhurst for tea and introductions, continue to The Inn at Whitewell for check in and dinner.
- **Wednesday** - drive along single-track roads to the Ribbleshead Viaduct, returning through the Dales National Park.
- **Wednesday dinner** - Stonyhurst. The College Curator, Dr Jan Graffius, has kindly offered the Square Library as the venue. There will be a tour of the Arundell Library and Museum from the Curator. Transport to and from the College will be provided. Dress code: black tie.
- **Thursday morning** - Waddington Fell Hill Climb, celebrating the 1913 event, won by Joseph Higginson OS 1881, in his Vauxhall 30-98. Pass Dunsop Bridge and St Hubert's Church, drive through the Forest of Bowland, finishing with a round of Beacon Hill.
- **Thursday dinner** - Inn at Whitewell.
- **Friday morning**- farewells.
- **Further Details:**
  - Cost: expected to be around £1200, includes three nights bed and breakfast, for two people sharing a room at the Inn of Whitewell and dinner each evening.
  - Simple route instructions will be provided so that you may drive at your own pace stopping where you wish.



I would be happy to hear from all who have cars of interest, who might like to join us. Michael Joseph  
[michael@josephjoseph.com](mailto:michael@josephjoseph.com)

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## RUGBY CENTENARY TOURNAMENT

To mark this milestone in Stonyhurst's rugby history, and to celebrate what remains one of our proudest sporting traditions at the College, we are organising a two-day OS celebration with rugby at its heart.

The main event is a tournament showcasing a decade of Stonyhurst rugby talent. Ten OS teams will grace the Stonyhurst rugby pitches once more, representing their Playroom in the Decades Tournament and showcasing the rugby skills honed in their time at the College.

The hope is to capture the spirit of the Stonyhurst Sevens, a highlight of any pupil's experience at Stonyhurst, rugby player or not, and welcome as many OS of all eras back to the College for a once in a generation celebration of our school.

Please join us on Smithfield at 11:30am on Friday 3rd June 2022 for the blessing and official opening of the new rugby pavilion, The Gibraltar Pavilion. This will be followed at midday by the start of the tournament and Country Fayre featuring local food, beers and sporting regalia.



## RUGBY CENTENARY GALA DINNER- SOLD OUT!



# MAKING A GIFT



All giving forms and downloadable PDFs can be found on our website, any further information on giving arrangements can be made by contacting the Stonyhurst Foundation Manager.



Option 1

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



Option 2

## Making a Single Gift

You can make a gift securely online via our website. Alternatively, we would be delighted to speak with you regarding how you could support The Stonyhurst Foundation.

## Making a Regular Gift

You can make a gift securely online via our website. Alternatively, we would be delighted to speak with you regarding how you could support The Stonyhurst Foundation.



Option 3



Option 4

## Legacy Giving

Leaving a gift in your will is quick and easy to arrange. You simply need to let us know that you intend to leave a gift to The Stonyhurst Foundation and speak to your solicitor.

## Overseas Giving

For information such as giving from the USA & Hong Kong, please visit our website where downloadable gift forms and links have been made available.

To learn more please contact:  
The Stonyhurst Foundation Manager on +44 (0) 1254 827276 or [manager@stonyhurstfoundation.com](mailto:manager@stonyhurstfoundation.com)





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