

# St Jude's - far from being a lost cause\*

The St Jude's centenary appeal, launched last Autumn, asked for £250,000 "to complete the works that are most urgently needed" and they got enough in time to put the vital works, on roof and windows, in hand to keep the weather out this winter.

It was made possible by the dedication of the congregation and their fund-raising committee who worked hard to raise money from organ recitals, quiz nights, craft fairs, plant sales, parties in their homes and visits to art galleries generously and expertly guided by the vicar's wife, Lucrezia.

It was made possible by the generosity of many Suburb residents who responded to the appeal leaflet, hand delivered to every home by church members.

It was made possible by the dedication of church warden Iris Elkington who wrote "endless letters" with the help of Rev Maggie Durran, fund raiser for the diocese, "who guided us through the maze of trusts and charities to write to." These appeals brought in grants from English Heritage; Heritage of London Trust and others including the Suburb's Trust and the Residents Association.

### More is needed

Iris Elkington explains "The upkeep and maintenance of a Grade 1 listed church is enormous. Just to clean the clear and stained glass windows throughout the church

to be ready for 2007 is going to cost £15,000!

Our project for 2006 is to install a toilet for the disabled which we propose to build in a large walk-in cupboard in the north west porch. This will mean that the war memorials, rarely seen by the public, will be moved to a more prominent part of the church.

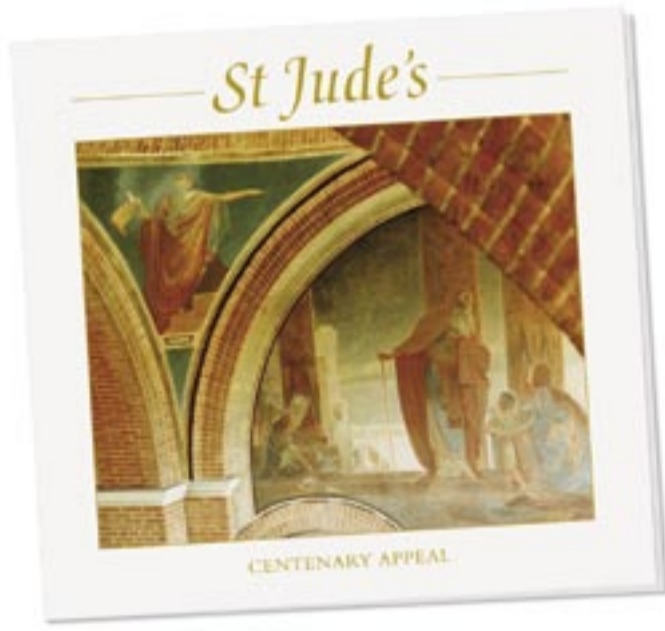
The Lutyens church was designed with the toilets at the east end of the church up and down steps and through the vestry to a flight of stairs into the basement. Hardly suitable for the less able, let alone for disabled access. It will help the disabled to enjoy the church and be an

untold advantage for the Proms at St Jude's and the many other events hosted by St Jude's.

One of the conditions of the English Heritage grant was that we open the church for 28 days a year outside church service times. The church will be open on Sunday afternoons in 2006 from 11.30 to 5.30pm from May to October and a disabled toilet would be a great asset so that this beautiful church can be enjoyed by all who are interested in and appreciate fine architecture.

If you can help please ring 8458 6080 or 8455 7206 or pick up a Gift aid form from the church.

\* St Jude is said to be the patron saint of lost causes



The Autumn Fair attracted the usual crowds looking for bargain books, home-made produce and fun and games. Bridie, Fergus, Eloise and Edward were among hundreds who enjoyed the day.



The Garden Suburb Preschool based in the Free Church Hall in Northway is one of the oldest Suburb institutions. Children between two and a half and five, from all sections of the community enjoy such activities as the animal day shown here.

## Refurbished Hall

Local residents may like to know that, following the extensive refurbishment of the Hall, The Henrietta Barnett School PTA very generously paid for the refurbishment of the kitchen, bar

and WC area adjacent to the Hall. The work was completed over the summer holidays.

It all looks very nice and clean and fresh. The kitchen is lovely and the counter on the

bar is wider than previously, making it much easier to serve.

The Hall, bar and kitchen are available for hire for all sorts of events via the School Secretary, Allison Farnham-Davies, 458 8999.

**Front door (front door) n.** the main entrance to a house. Lay at someone's door: to lay blame or responsibility on someone. Sp in **Hampstead Garden Suburb** - responsibility of all to keep our front doors in style. If not, it could be an in+fringe+ment

## When is a door not the right door? When it jars.

In the past some front doors have been replaced with unsuitable patterns (1 and 3) resulting in inconsistency of design.

In the original designs doors might be of different types, but a group of houses would be consistent in style (2 and 4).

A demand for security sometimes leads to a desire to change. In fact original doors are generally robust (5 and 6).

Mass produced doors are almost always unsuitable particularly those with a semi circular fanlight.

Any alterations to houses on the Suburb must be approved by the Trust and Barnet.

Householders who carry out unauthorised alterations can, and are, legally obliged to undo the work, to rectify the 'infringement'.



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