

Persons are Gift ©

There are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit. There are varieties of service but the same Lord. There are varieties of activity, but in all of them and in everyone the same God is active. In each of us the Spirit is seen to be at work for some useful purpose.' *1 Cor. 12.4-7*

When we hear the word 'gift' we may think of a present or someone's special talent. The 'gift' in this reflection is a person. The example of this was the experience of visiting St Edmund Campion School, Birmingham, where the Project team were invited to lead workshops during the school mission week. Through PowerPoint presentations and role play we shared with ninety children and six staff examples of the work of the Pastoral Care Project.

The end of workshop evaluation form received from one boy was very moving. I will give him the name John. John responded to the words 'You are precious to me and I love you' by writing 'I didn't know, but I will never forget this'. These words may flood back into his memory at various times throughout his life giving him inspiration or comfort - even in his old age.

People with dementia still respond to the Word of God in the same way as all of us through the wonderful grace of the Holy Spirit.

You are 'gift'!

What gift can you offer?

Consider praying for parishioners who are lonely bereaved or very sick. Perhaps your class visiting a care setting or a few parishioners who are lonely and who never get to church!

They would love to hear you read, join with you in praying and singing hymns and see the beauty of God in the moment.

We could help with order of services which have worked for us.

You are 'gift'!

Will you share with the Pastoral Care Project's mission of reaching out to many more people who are isolated from the Church community?

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