**“The Dawn From On High Will Break Upon Us”**

***(Luke 1:78)***

The final preparations are underway to welcome you to “Run to the Son” this weekend. The marquee is up and there is much rushing around organising music and catering and working on talks and prayers, to make sure everything is ready to greet you on Friday evening or Saturday. It looks as though the weather will be dry and warm and Buckfast Abbey is surely the perfect setting for what we hope will be an exciting and inspiring time together.

You will find, alongside this letter, some practical information which should be useful, such as directions to the Abbey as well as what to expect on arrival and some suggestions of what you might need to bring if you are camping.

Perhaps most importantly though is that between now and the weekend we begin to prepare spiritually for our time together.

Please could we ask you to join us in fervent prayer?

We are united in hearts passionate with desire to love and serve our Lord Jesus by fulfilling His Great Commission *(Mtt 28:19*). Please pray that we will, each of us give ourselves up to the Holy Spirit and by His power receive new insights in our discipleship, and confidence for our work in evangelisation.

Pray that God’s Spirit will move us to inspire one another to greater work and to make a bold and conscious commitment to witness more fully as authentic Catholic Christians in every part of our daily lives. So that when we part company after a beautiful dawn Mass with our Bishop on Sunday we are found in a new vision and zeal and are resolved to action in our quest to “Go…Make Disciples”

We have the most fantastic message on the face of the earth! – each of us endlessly loved and forgiven. May we go forward with enough humility and courage to set ourselves aside and offer this ultimate freedom to our fellow man in love and gratitude to our beloved Lord.

Finally, we hope this weekend will dispel any myths or notions that may have kept you from joining your Parish Evangelisation Team and you will see that God has given you a vital part in His plan with everything you need to fulfil your part in this great mission.

We are really looking forward to seeing you. Above all bring your Faith, enthusiasm, energy and as much stamina as you can muster, we expect the weekend to be buzzing!

 In the meantime, if you have any questions or need any extra info, please give us a call on 01752 701660.

Every Blessing in Christ.

The “Run to the Son” team.