



**The Catenians**

*Strengthening family life  
through friendship and faith*

# The Catenian Association

## North Cheshire 154 Circle

### Who are we in North Cheshire 154 Circle?

- We have 55 members drawn primarily from the parishes of Holy Angels, St Vincent's and the wider Altrincham area.
- We meet at 8pm every 3rd Monday of the month at Ringway Golf Club.
- We have a busy calendar of church, social and sporting events.

Below are pictures from two annual circle events, Cheese and Wine (left) and Beer and Brass (right).



Another recent circle achievement is the circle winning the Province 17 Golf Centenary Trophy in 2011.



In the picture (left to right) is Chris Doyle, Captain of the Province 17 Golf Society, presenting the Centenary Trophy to Peter Whyte (Circle Secretary) with Peter Heywood our Circle President (2011-2012).

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### What is The Catenian Association?

The Catenian Association is an international group of men who are all practising Catholics. We meet socially, at least once a month, in local branches, known as Circles.

The Association's name is derived from the Latin 'Catena' (a chain). The Catenian emblem consists of a continuous chain of links surrounding the Cross. This symbolizes that our Catholic faith is at the centre of all we do. Members refer to each other as 'Brother' to reflect the support they give to each other and their families, based on the shared values of their Catholic belief and practice.

Members of the Catenian Association might be active in the service of the Church and the civic community, both locally and nationally. Many Catenians also play a prominent role in their local parishes and diocese, as well as in other major Catholic organisations. The Association is non-political and is not a fund-raising agent for the Catholic Church.

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### Aims of The Catenian Association

- To foster companionship and social bonds among its members and their families.
- To advance the interests of members and their dependants by individual or collective action.
- To advance the interests of young Catholics and to assist them in the choice or pursuit of a career.
- To establish, maintain and administer benevolent funds.
- To promote and support The Catenian Association Benevolent and Children's Fund ("the Benevolent Fund") and the Catenian Bursary Fund.

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### Benefits of Membership

- A range of social activities including sport, snooker events, golfing events, cricket, Beer and Brass (band) evenings
- Friendships with other like-minded Catholic men
- Varied social events for members and their families including dinner dances, luncheon clubs, barbecues, picnics and outings
- Members provide collective support for each other, the Church and the clergy.
- Receive spiritual and practical support in times of difficulty or need.

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### Joining the Catenian Association

- Application for membership is open to all practising Catholic men over the age of 21.
- There is no requirement for a member's wife to be a Catholic.
- If you are interested in being part of our community, want to learn more or just come along for a visit then please contact Richard Kiedish our membership officer via email on [rkiedish@hotmail.com](mailto:rkiedish@hotmail.com).

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### Links

Catenian Web Site [www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com)

Province 17 Web Site [www.cateniansprovince17.org.uk](http://www.cateniansprovince17.org.uk)