

# 'Life for a Life'™

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPICE ASSOCIATION

'Hettinga House', Ormskirk, Lancashire

**A**s an extension to the St. Joseph's Hospice Association whose headquarters are at Thornton, Liverpool, the site was opened on Thursday 23rd October 2003 by the Lord Lieutenant of Merseyside. This area is considered to be one of the most beautiful and attractive locations where a 'Life for a Life' Memorial Forest is situated. The grounds of the hospice are, to say the least, splendid and extremely well planned. It is anticipated that this will rapidly become a most sought after premier planting site. The grounds are teeming with grouse, pheasant and other exotic game birds, some



of which have been regularly fed by the staff of the hospice over the years and as a result have become quite tame and domesticated.



The planting site itself which is almost like a lawned area, will accommodate over 1,000 memorial trees which will generate income for the hospice over many years. The hospice itself is situated in the grounds of a very large manor house which was built in the early nineteenth century. Donated woodland benches have already been installed in and around the planting area for the benefit of all visitors.



In the early spring, this location displays a wondrous kaleidoscope of colours created by the many mixed varieties of rhododendron trees which have matured over the years. The extensive fields of daffodils, snowdrops and bluebells are a glorious sight to behold when welcoming the early springtime. Throughout the year there is a magnificent splendour of colour in and around the memorial trees. This truly is a tranquil and peaceful place just to visit and enjoy the ambience. A Memorial Book of Remembrance is housed within the chapel area of the hospice itself. All visitors will be made most welcome by the friendly staff of the hospice. The chapel is a place well worth a visit to experience and enjoy the personal comforts of the peace and quiet that it offers.

It is remarkable that the St. Joseph's Hospice Association has donated such a beautiful site on which to establish a 'Life for a Life' Memorial Forest, that is almost in the centre of the bustling and developing town of Ormskirk.



*"Love Someone – Miss Someone – Help Everyone  
– Plant A Tree"*