

6 FEBRUARY

- 1 In 1958, Manchester United's manager, Matt Busby, had built up such a fine team of young players that they were often called the "Busby Babes".
- 2 The team had been playing Red Star Belgrade in Yugoslavia and had drawn with them, qualifying for the semi-finals of the European Cup. As the United team were about to fly back home on 6th February, their plane crashed in bad weather on its second attempt to take off from Munich Airport in what was then West Germany. 21 passengers were killed, including 8 of the Manchester United Team. Matt Busby himself was very seriously injured.
- 3 As it is traditional to have a moment's silence at football matches whenever there has been a disaster, let us pray in silence for a moment - for ourselves and for those we know who have suffered tragedies in their lives. We pray for those who are hurt and wounded because of the splitting up of their family, a death, difficulties with someone, failure, betrayal, the loss of friends, or a serious illness. Let us pray in silence, then, for all who suffer in their lives...

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