

**EVENTS
AUGUST 2004**

The Worlds We Live In

During September the Archbishop of Canterbury will discuss some of the major moral global issues that confront the world in the 21st century in a series of dialogues with leading international experts in their fields. This will be the second major series of talks organised by the St Paul's Institute, and follows the 2002/3 Ethics lecture series featuring international prize winners. For further information, see www.stpauls.co.uk/institute.

Vote for Trade Justice in Brighton on Sunday 26 September

Please consider encouraging your parishioners to join thousands of people on the opening day of the Labour Party conference. Gather at 1pm, Madeira Drive, Brighton.

Visit www.christian-aid.org/campaign/brighton/index.htm. *Come to Brighton* flyers can be ordered (F939) by calling Christian Aid, t: 08700 787 788. Posters are also available.

Soul in the City

Soul Survivor is bringing 12-15,000 young people to London to engage in social action and community work in partnership with local churches, police and councils. They will be camping in three 'Tent Cities' across the city and will have morning meetings of worship, teaching and ministry in these locations. They will then go out across London in the afternoons to undertake a variety of projects including kids clubs, clean-up work on estates, sports projects and street evangelism. In the evenings there will be various different events happening from BBQs to evangelistic concerts to prayer walks.

For more information and to get involved, visit www.soulinthecity.co.uk. 26 July – 6 August.

Harvest Festival Resources:

British Food Fortnight, 18 September to 3 October, focuses on encouraging children to learn more about where their food comes from locally, regionally and nationally.

Information can be found at www.britishfoodfortnight.co.uk; worship materials are published by the Arthur Rank Centre and are directly accessible here via <http://makeashorterlink.com/?D2BE14AD8>.

"Reaping Learning". SPCK Worldwide is offering a free Harvest resource pack to churches. The pack – suitable for all types of harvest celebration including family services – highlights the crucial role that education plays in personal and community development in poor places across the world. A special version for primary school teachers is also available that includes stories, activities, assembly ideas and free colour posters.

Contact Gareth Squire, e: Harvest@spck.org.uk, or SPCK Worldwide, Holy Trinity Church, 1 Marylebone Road, London NW1 4DU, stating the full name of your church, contact person and full postal address.

The Society of Mary and Martha – Caring for people in Ministry

The autumn series of retreats and reflections at Sheldon can be found at www.sheldon.uk.com.

The Scaffolding of Spirit

A series, presented by Carys Walsh (psychotherapist, supervisor, and spiritual director), re-visiting the personal and spiritual journey through the lives of four poets: T S Eliot (11 September), R S Thomas (23 October), Christina Rossetti (13 November) and Elizabeth Jennings (11 December). Each programme begins at 9.30am and tickets are £20 per session or £60 for all four, (concessions £10/£30).

For more details or to book a place, contact St Marylebone Healing and Counselling Centre, 17 Marylebone Road, London NW1 5LT, t: 020 7935 5066.

Religion and place today: Buildings and urban communities

This conference, aiming to investigate aspects of the continuing importance of religious buildings in the 21st century, brings historical perspectives together with those of current use. It will tackle some of the ever-present problems and challenges of adaptation and continuity.

The conference will include visits to eight architecturally distinctive places of worship – churches, mosque, and synagogue – drawing on the multi-faith and multi-cultural character of London.

24 & 25 November, London Muslim Centre, Whitechapel Road. £40 for both days, £25 for the second day only. For details, contact June Warrington, English Heritage, 23 Savile Row, London W1S 2ET, t: 020 7973 3059, e: june.warrington@english-heritage.org.uk.