

**INFORMATION
NOVEMBER 2005**

Review of Clergy Terms of Service

General Synod asked dioceses to consult on the review of clergy terms of service. Following consultation at deanery level, at Area Councils and at Diocesan Synod, the formal response of the Diocese of London is included with this mailing.

"I was sick – and you took care of me": Lent Appeal 2005 for health projects in Southern Africa

The total so far donated, after 10% production costs, is £75,000. This money has been distributed to the designated healthcare projects supported by Christian Aid, CMS, USPG, CrossLinks, and the Mothers' Union. This is a very significant achievement indeed in that the Lent Appeal money was raised in addition to the outstanding generosity shown by numerous church congregations to the victims of the SE Asian Tsunami disaster.

Jesus tells us that one mark of our discipleship is that we take care of the sick, and that when we do it is as if we do it for Jesus himself. A very big thank you to all participating churches and individuals for accepting the opportunity offered by the Lent Appeal 2005 to care for the sick across southern Africa, including the ALMA region.

Please will any participating church let us know if they do not receive a personalised Lent Appeal 05 thank you letter by the end of November, addressed to their PCC Treasurer? In some instances donations have been received where only the name of the Church has been supplied (e.g. 'St Michaels') with no indication of the parish or the church address.

Please contact the Revd Chris Brice, Adviser for Social Justice by t: 020 7932 1121 or e: chris.brice@london.anglican.org.

Lent 2006

The Senior Staff team of the Diocese has given careful consideration to whether or not a Lent Appeal should be held in 2006. It has been agreed that next year a Diocesan appeal will not be held in order that parishes are able to focus on their own initiatives instead.

The Children's Society/London Diocese Youth Partnership

Under an innovative three-year scheme, funded by the John Lyon Trust, a small team will be appointed to develop a youth strategy in the Diocese. The work of the project will be to map and audit existing youth work in the Diocese, to advise on future strategy and development potential, to provide support and training resources to enable parishes and deaneries to engage with young people and to focus in particular on the four most marginalised groups identified by the Children's Society: disabled children, children in trouble with the law, children at risk on the streets and young refugees.

A Project Manager, Claire Cooke has been appointed, and will work out of shared premises with an established Children's Society project in Bethnal Green. Her work will be managed by The Children's Society, informed by a joint Steering Group of Diocesan and Children's Society Advisers. Parishes wishing to know more about the partnership should contact Jack Maple, Community Ministry Adviser on 020 7932 1122.

The Bishop of London's Adviser for Corporate Social Responsibility

The Revd Paul Zaphiriou, Associate Vicar of St George's Holborn, has been appointed The Bishop of London's Adviser for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). Parallel to his parish commitments, he will be working across the Diocese to encourage businesses with a CSR policy to include church-led social responsibility projects as potential initiatives for staff involvement, and to encourage churches to open their projects to participation from the business community. He can be reached by t: 020 7404 4407 or e: csr@london.anglican.org.

Guiding Stars

Guiding Stars (pub. SPCK), written by the Bishop of Stepney, is a guide to the basic texts of Jesus' Summary of the Law; the Lord's Prayer; the Apostles Creed and the Beatitudes.

Guiding Stars is designed with questions to stimulate discussion on Alpha, Emmaus or other catechetical courses. It also provides a framework for a Lent Course or part of an adult Confirmation Course. Guiding Stars is published this month with a foreword written by Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

Vacancy: JustShare Co-ordinator

JustShare has a proven record of engaging the City of London on issues of globalisation and economic justice. It organises debates, seminars and May Day events.

The Co-ordinator will be employed for two full days, or their equivalent each week (14 hours), to enable the JustShare coalition to alert the institutions, businesses and enterprises of the City to the plight of the world's poorest communities and the impact of their own assumptions and actions.

Please apply for Job Description and Person Specification from the Rector, the Rector's Lodging, St Mary le Bow, Cheapside, London EC2V 6 AU, e: grbush@london.anglican.org or t: 020 7248 5139. The Revd George Bush will be happy to answer all enquiries.

Application is by letter and C.V. together with the names of two referees. £22,500 pro rata for 14 hours per week. The appointment is for one year in the first instance.

This post is supported by the Bishop of London's Mission Fund, London Church Leaders, Cafod and others.

Lent Course from The Mission to Seafarers

The Mission to Seafarers has produced a special parish Lent course to coincide with the society's 150th anniversary next year. Written by the Revd Sharon Swain, the six-week course looks at the Book of Psalms to help Christians explore their faith in greater depth. It is based on six themes: Praise, Power, Help, Education, Justice and Hope. The accompanying notes for group leaders include optional material about the sea, seafarers and the Mission's worldwide ministry.

The 24-page colour booklet, with pictures of the Mission at work with seafarers, is available from Mrs Kathy Baldwin at The Mission to Seafarers, St Michael Paternoster Royal, College Hill, London EC4R 2RL, t: 020 7248 5202 or e: pr@missiontoseafarers.org. There is no charge but a donation to the society would be appreciated.

Organist available

A Grade 8 organist with previous experience of playing at Weddings, Funerals and other services including Choral Eucharist and Choral Evensong is offering his services. He is living in student accommodation in Islington and is willing to travel up to 45 minutes by tube or bus to a church.

Please contact Tom Smith by t: 07841 423353 or e: tomsmith5287@gmail.com if you are interested.

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Praying for World Mission at St Andrew's Tide

For over 100 years, the Church of England has used this festival as a focus for prayers for world mission. Each year Partnership for World Mission (PWM) – part of the Archbishops' Council – has produced a resource leaflet. Its theme this year will be set by a recent visit Archbishop Rowan has made to the Anglican Church in Burundi.

Copies of the leaflet are available from the PWM Office: Partnership house, 157 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8XA. t: 020 7803 3201, e: pwm@c-of-e.org.uk. The leaflet is available as a pdf document or as text so the resources can be incorporated into a local service sheet. This year extra resources — more liturgical material, sermon outlines, the story behind this time of prayer — will be posted on the PWM web-site by early November: www.pwm-web.org.uk.

OFF DUTY 2006: A directory of holiday opportunities for church members.

Last year over 700 free brochures were sent, and the website for this service was visited nearly 4000 times. OFF DUTY 2006 brochures will be ready in early January; and the website, www.offduty.org.uk, can be accessed now.

To advertise your property in the brochure and on the website, contact Mark or Heidi Cannon by t: 01254 854084, e: mhcannon@fsmail.net or by visiting their website.

PEOPLE

Into the Diocese

Stepney

The Revd Martin Freeman is to be Chaplain at the Barts and Royal London NHS Trust (07/92), from 21 November.

Willesden

The Revd Nicholas Barry, Chaplain at RAF Akrotiri, Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, is now Chaplain at JSU Northwood (24/91) with Permission to Officiate in the Diocese of London.

The Revd Antony Rablen, Team Rector at Sutton and Wawne, Diocese of York, is now Part-time Chaplain at the Harefield Hospital (25/98).

Within the Diocese

Two Cities

The Revd Roderick Leece, Incumbent of St Bartholomew, Stamford Hill (05/28), is to be Rector of St George, Hanover Square (03/11), from 19 December.

Stepney

The Revd Alan Piggot, NSM House for Duty at St Mary of Eton with St Augustine, Hampton Wick (05/11), is to be Priest in Charge of St Mary of Eton with St Augustine, Hampton Wick, from 10 January 2006.

Edmonton

The Revd Andrew Williams, Rector of St Mary, Finchley (14/01), is also to be Area Warden of Readers from 9 November.

The Revd Tony Haynes, NSM Curate at St Paul, Tottenham (19/15), is now: NSM House for Duty Curate at Christ Church, West Green (19/06).

The Revd Nigel Little, Curate at St Michael, Highgate (20/01), is to be Associate Vicar at St Michael, Highgate, from 11 December.

Willesden

The Revd Roy Smith, Incumbent of St Michael and All Angels, Stonebridge (21/20), is to retire on 2 January 2006 but will be Honorary Curate in the Kensal Rise Team Ministry (21/12).

The Revd Maggie Davidge-Smith, NSM Curate at St Dunstan, East Acton (22/18), is now Honorary Assistant Priest at St Dunstan, East Acton (22/18) and Assistant Chaplain at Ealing Hospital NHS Trust, Meadow House Hospice, West Middlesex University Hospital NHS Trust and Lakeside Mental Health Unit.

The Revd Nina Coulthard, Associate Vicar at Emmanuel, Northwood (24/13), is to be Incumbent of Loughton, St Michael and All Angels, Diocese of Chelmsford from January 2006.

The Revd Stuart Natrass, NSM Curate at St John the Baptist, Pinner (24/14), has resigned will hold Permission to Officiate.

Out of the Diocese

The Revd Lionel Stock, currently holding permission to officiate in the Diocese of London, is to be NSM at Holy Trinity, Kendal, Diocese of Carlisle, from 5 December.

Edmonton

Correction: The Revd Colin Dickson, Curate at St Paul, Tottenham (19/15), is now Assistant Priest at St Michael and All Angels, Croydon, Diocese of Southwark.

Retired

The Revd Michael Burgess, Incumbent of Annunciation, Bryanston Street (04/04), has retired.

The Revd Julia Popp, Team Vicar in the Hackney Marsh Team Ministry (05/09), is to retire on 31 October.

The Revd David Sherwood, Incumbent of St Mary, Kenton (24/10), is to retire on 28 February 2006.