

**EVENTS
DECEMBER 2005**

Resources from the Society of Mary and Martha at Sheldon

Sheldon specialises in providing resources for people in ministry and/or their spouses, although resources are open to everyone unless otherwise stated.

Quiet Week: 12–17 February. If you need space for a retreat, don't want input or too much structure, and prefer not to be completely on your own, then perhaps a Quiet Week is for you. £160 for the whole event, or £36 per night.

12,000-mile Service weeks: 5–10 March and 7–12 May. Famous speciality weeks for clergy and/or spouses enable you to join in as much or as little as you please, including workshops, guided walks and daily prayers. One to one time available. £350 fully inclusive.

Myers Briggs Basic: 13 & 14 March; MBTI & Spirituality 15 March. Led by Gordon Jeff and Dorothy Nicholson. There is also a Quiet Day on the Thursday. Basic £112 (includes Monday night), all 3 days £160 (includes Monday and Tuesday nights). Additional nights also available.

Enneagram Basic: 2–4 May. The Enneagram is best learned through the oral tradition, and Karen Webb is one of the country's leading teachers. £196 includes Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Further details are available from the Society of Mary and Martha, Sheldon, Dunsford, Exeter EX6 7LE. t: 01647 252752, e: smm@sheldon.uk.com or visit www.sheldon.uk.com.

A Taste of Cursillo

A 24 hour residential conference for clergy of the Diocese of London at the Royal Foundation of St Katharine. The Conference begins with lunch on Tuesday 6 June and ends with lunch on Wednesday 7 June 2006. This is a repeat of the very successful Conference held in June 2005 with generous financial support from Sion College. Numbers are limited and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

The Conference is designed to provide clergy across the Diocese with an opportunity to learn about and gain some experience of the Cursillo movement so that many more parishes can benefit from this resource which is already up and running in the Diocese.

Cursillo is an effective tool for enhancing the life and mission of the church. It offers a proven method by which lay people and clergy are renewed and empowered for mission, and has the support of the Bishop of London and the Area Bishops.

To express interest or for further information please contact the Revd Michael Bolley, t: 020 8574 3839 or e: michael@bolley.freeserve.co.uk.

Celtic & Anglo-Saxon Saints: A Living Spirituality

11-14 September 2006 at St John's College, Durham. This conference, exploring Celtic faith and spirituality, is arranged by UKLTG Ltd and is open to everyone. Lectures on the Celtic & Anglo-Saxon Saints will be given by Dr Alan Bartlett, Dr Liz Hoare, Dr Gavin Wakefield and Bishop Martin Wallace. The conference includes a pilgrimage to Whitby and Lastingham, and a guided coach tour to Hexham Abbey and Heavenfield.

More details can be found at www.ukltg.com or by t: 0845 601 9567 or e: celtic@ukltg.com.

Preparing St Paul's Cathedral for its 4th Century

As St Paul's approaches the 300th anniversary of its completion in 2010, the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's have taken the decision to clean and repair the entire interior and exterior of Sir Christopher Wren's masterpiece. The completion of the major phase of this work demonstrates the skills and craftsmanship of all involved. Martin Stancliffe will speak on the challenges of striking the right balance between making the architecture read as Wren intended and respecting later changes to the fabric.

5 December, 6.30pm at the Gallery, 77 Cowcross Street, London EC1M 6EJ. Admission is £12.50 for members of ICOMOS-UK and members of the Ecclesiological Society, £15 for non-members and £8 for students. Admission includes wine and mince pies after the lecture. For more details t: 020 7566 0031 or e: admin@icomos-uk.org.

Cookies for a Cure – World Leprosy Week

Can you help LEpra by holding a 'Cookies for a Cure' Party during World Leprosy Week – 22 January to 29 January 2006? All the money raised will go towards supporting LEpra's development programmes in Asia, South America and Africa.

Simply bake or buy some cookies, and invite friends, neighbours and colleagues to join in – LEpra will send you, free of charge, all you need to make your Cookie Party a success. By collecting 'cookie contributions' at your party you will soon raise the £21 needed to help cure one person of leprosy, restoring their health, hope and dignity.

Leprosy is one of the oldest recorded diseases in the world. 800,000 cases are still diagnosed annually and 4 million people have disabilities as a result of the disease. Yet leprosy is easily curable and the complete eradication of the disease is the stated aim of LEpra and the reason that the charity exists.

For your pack, send your contact details to Anastasia Evangelides, 36 Braithwaite Gardens, Stanmore, Middlesex HA7 2QH, t: 020 8420 2765 or e: cookies@lepra.org.uk.

Celtic Familiarisation Conference

A week of visits, lectures, services and seminars at St Chad's College, Durham. Chaplain with nightly candlelit Compline. £439 half board full week in central Durham. t: 0845 601 9567 for more details or visit www.uktlq.com.