

**INFORMATION  
JULY 2006**

**Job Vacancies**

Vacancies around the Diocese for a variety of jobs, including priests, vergers, organists, pastoral assistants and parish administrators, are advertised on the diocesan website. Visit [www.london.anglican.org/JobVacancies](http://www.london.anglican.org/JobVacancies) for the complete listing, to advertise your vacancy or to subscribe to receive notification of new vacancies.

**Preparation of New Electoral Roll**

Please note that the preparation of new Electoral Rolls is due to take place next year in 2007.

This, in fact, allows for only a five year interval since the last renewal of the Roll in 2002, and was based on a decision made by the General Synod to fall in line with the cycle of synodical elections.

Future renewals of the Electoral Roll will continue on the usual six-yearly cycle.

**Faithful Cities**

'The Faithful Cities' Report which has just been published by the Churches Commission on Urban Life and Faith is the most important Church statement on urban mission since the publication of 'Faith in the City' 20 years ago. It is available to read or download at [www.culf.org](http://www.culf.org). Resources available include:

- The complete "Faithful Cities" Report
- A Summary of the Report
- A Power Point Introduction to the Report
- A Study Guide for use by Parish Groups and individuals
- A Power Point introduction to a central idea of the report: *Faithful Capital*
- An easy to use 'Tool Kit' which helps each church to highlight the ways in which it contributes to the overall well-being of the community in which it is placed. It also helps estimate the wider financial value of a church's contribution in ways that local authorities and others can understand and appreciate.

**'Shrinking The Footprint' – helping the Environment**

In 2005, General Synod debated Sharing God's Planet (Report from the Church's Mission and Public Affairs Council) and, among other things, asked for a report on a measured reduction in energy consumption of the Church of England in 2008. The Synod called upon the whole Church to engage with the issues of climate change and energy use at every level in the Church.

The Bishop of London, who heads up the Church's Shrinking the Footprint Campaign, strongly emphasized what was at stake during a Synod debate on the environment in February 2005:

"There is spiritual work and there is scrutiny of our own life together in our use of the gifts of creation. The Archbishop of Canterbury has several times pointed out that we have no right to appeal to our contemporaries on this issue if we have failed to put our own house in order "

For further information visit [www.shrinkingthefootprint.cofe.anglican.org](http://www.shrinkingthefootprint.cofe.anglican.org).

### **Free video projector screens**

Emmanuel, Northwood, has four Sony Video Projector Screens KP5010PS available for free to the right home or homes. These items project a video image on to a large curved screen via a projector system. They all have two coaxial inputs to work either with a video player or a normal aerial. They do not, however, have a SCART connection and so will not work with modern DVD players unless converted.

If you are interested and can collect them, contact Alastair Middlemist by e: [alastair.middlemist@ecn.org.uk](mailto:alastair.middlemist@ecn.org.uk).

### **Director of Finance and Operations**

John Butler has been appointed as Director of Finance and Operations of the Diocese. He takes up his position on 4 September. John is a Chartered Management Accountant and has spent the bulk of his career with the BT Group where he was variously Chief Operating Officer of BT Openworld and Director of Business Improvement.

### **Church Urban Fund Grants – Policy and Procedure**

The Diocese of London now has grant-making status for Church Urban Fund grants. This allows it to be far more strategic in the allocation of these grants. The annual delivery plan has four priorities:

- To resource clusters of the most deprived parishes with community development officers who will capacity build and support development within the parishes.
- To fund the development of youth projects by supporting the employment of youth workers.
- To encourage interfaith projects.
- To provide continuation funding for successful innovative projects.

These priorities will be updated each year and the Community Ministry Advisor will be grateful to receive your comments.

CUF funding can only be applied to projects based within the top 10% of deprivation, according to the index of multiple deprivation. Capital projects are not eligible. Ecumenical initiatives, which have Anglican partners, are able to apply to the Church Urban Fund.

Applications for small "Mustard Seed" grants (up to £5,000) are forwarded to CUF. Main grants are assessed by the Mission Fund Panel.

To make an application to the Church Urban Fund please contact Mary Nada by t: 020 7932 1215 or e: [mary.nada@london.anglican.org](mailto:mary.nada@london.anglican.org).

For advice and further information please contact Jack Maple by t: 020 7932 1122 or e: [jack.maple@london.anglican.org](mailto:jack.maple@london.anglican.org).

### **About to Receive – Admission of children to communion before confirmation**

A major new resource 'About to Receive', has been published by the Diocese of Southwark.

This includes a range of materials, from theological essays to interactive group sessions, worship and complete courses as well as material suitable for all ages. It covers areas as diverse as the connection between the Eucharist and Christian formation and how the Eucharist is a symbol of our calling to mission in the world.

Copies can be obtained by sending a cheque (payable to "Southwark DBF Trading Ltd") for £24.99 to Groups Support Officer, Trinity House, 4 Chapel Court, Borough High Street, London SE1 1HW. Payment by credit or debit card can be made by phoning 020 7939 9412. Enquiries about multiple copies can be made by phone by e; [caroline.shrieve@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:caroline.shrieve@southwark.anglican.org).

### **Bishop Announces Patron for London Deacons**

The Bishop of London has announced that Nicholas Ferrar (1593-1637) has been adopted as patron of deacons in the Diocese of London.

Ferrar, the son of a London merchant, was ordained to the diaconate in Westminster Abbey in 1626 and subsequently established and led, for his own family and others who joined them, a community of prayer and Christian service at Little Gidding in Huntingdonshire. The community was dispersed by Roundhead soldiers in 1642, perhaps on the pretext of the fugitive Charles 1 having taken refuge there earlier that year. Ferrar is commemorated in the Common Worship calendar on 4 December.

In a separate development, Bishop Richard has also announced the formation of a Company of Deacons, based at St Peter's Bourne Christian Education and Spirituality Centre in Whetstone N20, open to all distinctive deacons in the Diocese who are able to adopt a simple Rule of Life and participate in meetings two or three times a year. The Bishop of Edmonton is to be its Episcopal Visitor.

Bishop Richard said: "I am delighted to confirm that Nichols Ferrar is to be patron of our deacons here in London. Ferrar's is an example of diaconal ministry lived out faithfully and courageously in our own country at a time of considerable religious and political uncertainty. He established, in T S Eliot's famous words, a place "where prayer has been valid", a haven in a turbulent world, where Christian worship and service brought true happiness to those who committed themselves to it. Little Gidding and Ferrar have much to say to us here and now.

"This, and the formation of the Company of Deacons, are exciting signs of the re- invigoration of the distinctive diaconate in London, which I believe is much needed to respond to the spiritual and physical needs of our city."

### **London Diocesan Lent Appeal 2007: Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance**

As Christians, like William Wilberforce 200 years ago, we believe that human beings should be free. But according to the UN, there are now at least five times as many slaves as there were in Wilberforce's day. Slavery today has many faces – the woman trafficked into prostitution, the child separated from their family and sold across borders, whole families in bonded labour.

For the 2007 Lent Appeal, we need your help to raise £250,000 for Christian projects working to set people free in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the UK.

Setting captives free is not just a matter of loosing chains. The projects your donations will support also tackle the root causes of slavery, such as vulnerability and poverty, which lead people into dangerous situations. And when a person is freed, they need help to build a new life, one which is free from trauma and the stigma of their past. Educating those affected is of paramount importance.

For Further Information: contact Chris Brice by t: 020 7932 1121 or Sheenagh Burrell by e: [sb@burrell1980.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:sb@burrell1980.freeserve.co.uk).

### **Copies of Hymns Old and New**

St Philip & St James Church, Whitton has 107 words-only copies of the 1986 edition of 'Hymns Old and New' that are no longer required. They are in fairly good condition, and available free to anyone who wants them. Please contact Sue McCoulough at the parish office by e: [jill.mowbray@virgin.net](mailto:jill.mowbray@virgin.net).

### **Possible Con Artists**

The Clergy Safety Working Group wishes to draw your attention to two fraud alerts. A 'priest' who said he worked for the Vatican visited a parish asking for money for a flight to the Sudan. The Vatican does not know him.

Also on June's Crimewatch a man posing as a clergyman giving a very similar story was mentioned. It is not clear whether the two are linked but if you should be visited by a clergyman who you think may be giving a false story you should not hesitate to contact your local Police.

### **Untold London**

The editors of [www.untoldLondon.org.uk](http://www.untoldLondon.org.uk) would like to hear from churches that have links with the history of a cultural group. The website gathers information on London's long history as a melting pot of people of many different races and faiths and allows people to search for histories across London by culture, as well as providing stories about the culturally diverse histories of specific places.

Particularly interesting stories may form the basis of articles encouraging people to visit your church; or they could be mentioned in a series of editorials about where to find cultural histories across London.

If you have information to share about your church, contact Kate Smith by t: 020 7814 5782, or e: [klsmith@museumoflondon.org.uk](mailto:klsmith@museumoflondon.org.uk).

### **Plan Ahead for Harvest with Christian Aid**

Christian Aid has produced a harvest pack for parishes which wish to make a commitment to help some of the world's poorest communities.

To order any of Christian Aid's free harvest resources t: 08080 005 005 or visit [www.surefish.co.uk/harvest](http://www.surefish.co.uk/harvest).

### **Bookkeeper Available**

The Financial Assistant, at St James the Less Church, Pimlico, seeks further employment with a church or charity. For CV and references contact the Revd Richard Dormandy, 56 Tachbrook Street, London SW1V 2NA, t: 020 7828 9242 or e: [richard.dormandy@sjtl.org](mailto:richard.dormandy@sjtl.org).

## **PEOPLE**

### **Into the Diocese**

#### **Kensington**

The Revd Rupert Edwards has accepted the appointment as NSM Curate at St Paul, Hammersmith (08/12), from 10 July.

The Revd David Walsh, Curate at St Alfege, Greenwich, Diocese of Southwark, is to be Associate Vicar with Special Responsibility for St Philip, Earls Court, in the Parish of St Mary Abbots with Christ Church and St Philip Kensington (11/01), from 24 July.

#### **Willesden**

The Revd Jonathan Westall, Associate Vicar of Greyfriars Church, Reading, Diocese of Oxford, is to be Incumbent of St Dunstan, East Acton (22/18), from 4 October.

The Revd Cliff Bowman, Chaplain to Deaf People, Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham, is to be Team Vicar in the Uxbridge Team Ministry with responsibility for St Andrew, Uxbridge (25/15), from 5 September.

## **Within the Diocese**

### **Stepney**

The Revd Alan Green, Team Rector, St John on Bethnal Green (07/06), is also to be Area Dean of Tower Hamlets from 19 October.

The Revd Imogen Vibert, Curate in the Poplar Team Ministry (07/08), is to be Curate (House for Duty), St Thomas, Stamford Hill (05/05) and St Matthew, Upper Clapton (05/04), from 28 September.

### **Kensington**

The Revd Julie Gittoes, Curate of St James, Hampton Hill (09/04), is to be Incumbent of All Saints, Hampton (09/02), from 5 September.

The Revd Preb. Dr Brian Leathard, Incumbent of St James, Hampton Hill (09/04), is to be Rector of St Luke and Christ Church, Chelsea (12/01), from 5 October.

The Revd Richard Penistan, Curate at St Stephen, East Twickenham (09/09), is to be Associate Vicar of Christ Church, Fulham (08/04), from 30 June.

The Revd Anna Brooker, Curate in the Parish of Brentford (10/01), is to be Priest in Charge of All Saints, Isleworth (10/19), from 27 September.

### **Willesden**

The Revd Danny Elizabeth, Permission to Officiate, is to be NSM Associate Priest at St Mellitus with St Mark, Hanwell (23/07), from 9 July.

## **Out of the Diocese**

### **Stepney**

The Revd Samuel Bisasao-Sekitoleko, NSM Curate at St John, Brownswood Park (05/20), is now Port Chaplain of Humber Ports (Immingham), Mission to Seafarers, Grimsby, Diocese of Lincoln.

### **Kensington**

The Revd Patrick Malone, Curate at Christ Church, Fulham (08/04), will vacate his appointment on 31 August.

The Revd Shane Wood, Incumbent of St Peter and Paul, Teddington (09/14), is to be Team rector of Aylesbury with Bierton and Hulcott, Diocese of Oxford, from 1 September.

The Revd Philip McAvoy, Priest in Charge at St Mary Magdalene, Littleton (13/04), is to be Incumbent of All Saints, Weston, Diocese of Guildford, from 6 September.

### **Willesden**

The Revd Betsy Blatchley, Curate at St Joseph the Worker (23/09), is now Associate Vicar at St Thomas with St Stephen, Telford Park, Diocese of Southwark.

### **Resigned**

The Revd Claire Maddock, trust Chaplain, Ealing Hospital NHS Trust and Chaplain Middlesex University Hospital Trust (10/07), has resigned.

### **Retiring**

The Revd Preb. Desmond Tillyer, Incumbent of St Peter, Eaton Square (03/18), is to retire on 9 July.