

**INFORMATION  
JANUARY 2007**

**The London Challenge 2007-2012**

The London Challenge will be launched at 7pm, 8 February 2007 at St Paul's Cathedral. All clergy and churchwardens will receive invitations to the service in the New Year.

**Preparation of New Electoral Roll**

Electoral rolls are due to be renewed in 2007. Letters have been sent to all incumbents and priests in charge, as well as 'starred' churchwardens and PCC secretaries. Electoral roll application forms can be downloaded from <http://gabriel.london.anglican.org>. Other APCM forms and materials will be available there soon.

Please note that a 2007 renewal 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.

**Distribution of Diocesan Lent Appeal Resources**

[www.london.anglican.org/LentAppeal](http://www.london.anglican.org/LentAppeal)

Resources for the Diocesan Lent Appeal 2007 will be distributed to each church in the diocese during January, via the Area Deans. Each church will receive an individually labelled pack with sufficient resources to match the number of people on their electoral roll.

Where possible individual packs for each church will be delivered to coincide with a Deanery Synod or Chapter meeting, but where this is not possible the individually labelled packs will be delivered direct to your Area Dean for collection by/delivery to each church in the deanery. Please contact your Area Dean for the particular arrangements in your deanery.

Resources are also available online at [www.london.anglican.org/LentAppeal](http://www.london.anglican.org/LentAppeal).

**New ALMA website launched**

The site has information on all aspects of London's link with Angola and Mozambique and there is an accompanying information card, suitable for parish distribution, available from Diocesan House and from the ALMA Link and Communications Officers. The address is [www.almalink.org](http://www.almalink.org), which is also accessible via the diocesan website.

**Administrator vacancy – The Society of Retreat Conductors**

The Society of Retreat Conductors is looking to appoint a part time administrator. Duties will include acting as Company Secretary and responsibility for the day to day financial and administrative affairs of the Society. £15 an hour for approximately half a day a week or its equivalent. Interviews will be held in London on 1 Feb 2007. For further information and an application form contact Andrew Walker by e: [rector@marywoolnoth.org](mailto:rector@marywoolnoth.org) or t: 020 7626 9701.

**Summary of Diocesan Synod**

The first meeting of the new triennium of Diocesan Synod took place at King's College on 25 November. A summary of the proceedings, including the Bishop of London's Presidential Address, can be viewed at [www.london.anglican.org/NewsShow\\_6815](http://www.london.anglican.org/NewsShow_6815).

**Creative organisation for effective Christian ministry**

John Truscott's website [www.john-truscott.co.uk](http://www.john-truscott.co.uk) is full of helpful and succinct resources for - 'Creative organisation for effective Christian ministry'. He has worked with a number of churches in the Diocese and has a wealth of experience.

## **Clergy safety guidelines**

In the event of any incident involving verbal abuse, threats or actual violence to a priest, deacon or a member of their household, they should contact their Area Dean or Archdeacon immediately; they will provide immediate practical and pastoral assistance.

Further information is available at [www.london.anglican.org/Regulations/clergy-safety.html](http://www.london.anglican.org/Regulations/clergy-safety.html).

## **URBLOG – A new blog on urban theology, life, faith and action**

This helpful new blog site is for anyone in the Church who is concerned about mission in urban areas. New postings include Office of National Statistics and GLA research on religious demography, Jonathan Glancey on the Olympics and Edgy Cities. The site welcomes contributions, comments and articles. Visit [www.urblog.typepad.com](http://www.urblog.typepad.com).

## **PEOPLE**

### **Into the Diocese**

The Revd Alexandra Logan, Curate at St Mary, Penwortham, Diocese of Blackburn, is to be Incumbent of St James the Less, Bethnal Green (07/05), from 25 February 2007.

The Revd John Record, Rector of Devizes, Diocese of Salisbury, is to be Incumbent of St Peter, Black Lion Lane (08/19), from 11 January 2007.

### **Within the Diocese**

The Revd Dr Susan Hartley, NSM Curate at Christ Church with All Saints, Spitalfields (07/24), and Assistant Chaplain at St Joseph's Hospice (05/97), is to be NSM Curate of St Paul, Hainault, Diocese of Chelmsford, from 8 January. Dr Hartley will have Permission to Officiate in the Diocese of London and will remain Assistant Chaplain at St Joseph's Hospice.

The Revd John Hawkins, Incumbent of St John, West Hendon (15/05), and Area Dean of West Barnet, is also to be Priest in Charge of St Matthias, Colindale (15/07), and Area Dean of West Barnet, from 10 January.

The Revd Timothy Pike, Priest in Charge of Holy Innocents, Hornsey (20/09), and Associate Vicar at Holy Trinity, Stroud Green (20/11), and Area Dean of West Haringey, is to be Incumbent of Holy Innocents, Hornsey, and Associate Vicar at Holy Trinity, Stroud Green, and Area Dean of West Haringey, from 29 January 2007.

### **Out of the Diocese**

The Revd Linda Smille, NSM Curate at The Ascension, Hanger Hill (22/04), has resigned, with effect from 25 February 2007.