

**INFORMATION  
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**London Challenge 2012**

Please let people know about [www.londonchallenge2012.org.uk](http://www.londonchallenge2012.org.uk), the website with all the information about London Challenge, including an online version of the brochure and the introductory film, both which you are welcome to copy and distribute. Parishes are invited to share news of their work through the London Challenge bulletin boards.

**Diocesan website: Church Finder – please update your church’s details**

The Church Finder ([www.london.anglican.org/ChurchFinder](http://www.london.anglican.org/ChurchFinder)) facility on the diocesan website is often the first place people look for information about parishes, whether to find out which is their parish church or because they are visiting. To make the most of this facility it is important that the information is kept up to date – even if it is just basic contact information and a link to the parish’s own website.

Every parish has a person assigned to edit these pages, usually the parish priest. All these people were sent log-in details by email in February as part of the London Challenge mailing. Forgotten passwords can be retrieved through the log-in link ([www.london.anglican.org/Login](http://www.london.anglican.org/Login)) on the home page.

**New Electoral Roll, Annual Meetings and Annual Returns**

This is a reminder that electoral rolls are due to be renewed ahead of this year’s annual meetings. Electoral roll application forms and other documents for annual meetings can be downloaded from <http://gabriel.london.anglican.org>. Also, much of the annual return can be submitted online this year at <http://raphael.london.anglican.org>. Annual returns are due to be completed by 1 June.

**TradingFairly.co.uk**

TradingFairly.co.uk is a complete on-line listing of the UK's fairly trading wholesalers and retailers designed to help you source and buy fairly traded goods. Visit [www.tradingfairly.co.uk](http://www.tradingfairly.co.uk).

**Home insulation offer**

The Mayor, Ken Livingstone, and British Gas are offering the chance to make significant savings on insulating homes as part of a drive to make London more energy efficient.

It will now cost as little as £250 for cavity wall insulation and £274 for loft insulation. Participants in this scheme will receive £100 cashback. The offer applies regardless of which company supplies your energy.

Whilst the Diocese itself cannot fund this work, it would encourage people to look at the possibility of taking up the offer, which is likely to result in significant savings on energy bills as well as carrying environmental benefits. Please be aware that care needs to be taken when considering insulation in historic buildings and that in cases affecting listed buildings you should consult your local planning authority as Listed Building Consent may be required.

To find-out more about this offer visit [www.london.gov.uk/insulate](http://www.london.gov.uk/insulate) or call 0845 070 5059 quoting 'WEB GLA'.

## **Emerging & Fresh Expressions of Church: How are they authentically church and Anglican?**

This new book, by the Revd Ian Mobsby, leader of Moot at St Matthew's Westminster, draws on recent research looking at four Anglican emerging/fresh expressions, and explores what makes them significant from the perspective of practitioners and organisers. It is aimed at missionaries, practitioners or researchers into emerging and fresh expressions of church. It explores the sociology, contextual theology, ecclesiology, missiology and Anglican identity that lies behind these initiatives – three in England and one in the United States of America.

The book can be ordered online at [www.mootique.net](http://www.mootique.net) for £13, including P&P.

## **The London Diocesan Course in Spiritual Direction**

A two-year ecumenical course for all who feel God is calling them to this ministry. This evening course draws on the various strands of spirituality within the Christian tradition and also invites participants to use their own experience to aid their development.

For information send a C5 s.a.e. to The Administrator, LDCSD, St Mary Woolnoth Vestry, Lombard Street, London EC3V 9A or t: 020 7621 1392 or e: [ldcsd@spiritualitycentre.org](mailto:ldcsd@spiritualitycentre.org). The closing date for applications is 31 July.

## **Christian Flat Share website**

ChristianFlatShare.org is a website designed to help Christians to find accommodation in the UK. People wanting to rent or to let accommodation can place adverts on the website. As well as flatshares, self-contained properties and family-shares are also listed. This national service was devised by members of St Paul's Hammersmith. Visit [www.ChristianFlatShare.org](http://www.ChristianFlatShare.org).

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Christian Aid Week, 13-19 May; [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)
- Not for Sale Sunday, 20 May; [www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org)
- Environment Sunday (formerly Conservation Sunday), 3 June
- Refugee Week, 18-24 June; [www.refugeeweek.org.uk](http://www.refugeeweek.org.uk)
- Ordination of Deacons, St Paul's Cathedral, Saturday 30 June, 5pm
- ALMA Sunday, 15 July; [www.almalink.org](http://www.almalink.org).

## **PEOPLE**

### **Into the Diocese**

The Revd James Mercer, Associate Minister at St Peter with St Owen and St James, Diocese of Hereford, is to be Incumbent of All Saints, Harrow Weald (24/02), from 12 September.

### **Within the Diocese**

The Revd Irena Edgcumbe, Priest in Charge of St Anne with St Columba, Hoxton (05/23), is also to be Dean of Women's Ministry in the Stepney Area, from 9 May.

### **Out of the Diocese**

The Revd Ivan Aquilina, Curate at All Saints, Margaret Street (04/02), is to be Incumbent of St John the Baptist, Sevenoaks, Diocese of Rochester, from 29 August.

The Revd Will Donaldson, Incumbent of St John and St James, West Ealing (22/05), is to be Director of Christian leadership at Wycliffe Hall, Diocese of Oxford, from 1 September.