

**EVENTS
JUNE 2007**

Summer Sounds Concert – opera and entertainment in Knightsbridge

This concert will be fronted by BBC Songs of Praise presenter Pam Rhodes and will feature a host of special guests including the baritone John Lofthouse and the Urban Voices gospel choir. The programme includes music from the Barber of Seville (Rossini), highlights from the Nozze di Figaro (Mozart) One Day More from Les Miserables.

The concert is being held to raise funds for national disability charities John Grooms and the Shaftesbury Society, and the target is £10,000.

14 June at St Paul's Knightsbridge. To order tickets t: 020 7452 2111 or e: events@johngrooms.org.uk.

Weekend Parish Retreat 28 September – 30 September 2007

The Parishes of St Peter-le-Poer, Friern Barnet and Alexandra Park, Muswell Hill, are holding a Retreat at *Domus Mariae* (Chigwell Convent) for which some places are still available.

The retreat house is set in spacious walled grounds with attractive gardens. The conductor is the Reverend David Cherry, Chaplain at the University of Westminster, Priest in Charge of St Cyprian's, Clarence Gate, and Tutor on the *Ignatian Spirituality Course*. Total cost £90.00

The total cost is £90. An information leaflet is available to download from www.alexandrapark.org/retreat1.pdf and a booking form from www.alexandrapark.org/retreat2-A5.pdf. For more information contact the Revd Bruce Bridgewood by t: 020 8211 9709 or e: brucebridgewood@talktalk.net.

Stopping Shopping – Corpus Christi Procession from All Saints Margaret Street

This traditional and colourful event is a welcome distraction to the hectic fervour of late night shoppers. Bishop Bill Ind, one of the stars of the hit BBC Series "A Seaside Parish", will be joining the procession after preaching in All Saints' Church at the High Mass which starts at 6.30pm. All are welcome to report and photograph this remarkable event which brings the glamour of the Gothic revival to the high octane of Oxford Street.

Thursday 7 June. For further information please contact Cedric Stephens, Procession Coordinator by t: 020 7637 7468 or e: corpuschristi@Oratorium.zzn.com.

The New Monasticism: Celtic Insights into the Emerging Church

A summer school at St John's College, Durham, 9-12 July organised by The Community of Aidan and Hilda. Speakers include Ian on the future of Britain and its Church; Peter and Dorothy Neilson on Church without walls; Ray Simpson on the monastic appeal for post modern people; and Kate Tristram on cradles of Christianity: the early Irish and Anglo-Saxon experience.

£265 (full board). t: 01289 389222, e: admin@ca-and-h.demon.co.uk or visit www.aidanandhilda.org.

Called to be Peacemakers

An ecumenical conference to explore the Christian vocation of peacemaking. 20-22 July at Swanwick Conference Centre. For more information t: 020 7901 4864 or visit www.justice-and-peace.org.uk.

Ring the Alarm in London - Your Voice against Poverty

Two years ago the G8 leaders promised to increase aid and cancel poor countries' debts. But still 5,000 children die every day from drinking dirty water and more than five million people with HIV/AIDS do not have access to medicines. A coalition of agencies, including TearFund and Christian Aid, have organised a mass rally on the banks of the Thames ahead of the next G8 Summit.

2 June. From 11am: activities at various central London venues. At 2pm: Gather on the banks of the River Thames between Westminster and Vauxhall bridges to raise your voice against poverty. Visit www.yourvoiceagainstpoverty.org.uk.

Celebrate re-publication of Divine Landscapes - an evening with Ronald Blythe

The novelist and writer Ronald Blythe will take the audience on a tour of Britain, revisiting the hills and water-meadows, the city streets and shorelines that inspired saints and poets, mystics, visionaries and martyrs, and so shaped our literary spiritual ancestry. Among these are John Donne's London and George Herbert's riverside haunts in Chelsea, Cambridge and Salisbury.

4 June, 7pm, at Southwark Cathedral. See www.london.anglican.org/EventShow_7782 for more information.

From violence to wholeness – a workshop

This workshop invites participants to engage with a spirituality and practice of non-violence, based on Christian values, in the context of their own lives. The day will be a sample of what a more detailed ten session course might involve and will provide tools and skills for bringing about non-violent change in society. Led by Pax Christi.

The day is free. Please bring food for a shared lunch. Drinks provided.

3 July, 10.30am-4.30pm at St Ethelburga's Centre. The day is free of charge – please bring food for a shared lunch. Drinks will be provided. For more information and to register t: 020 7496 1610 or e: events@stethelburgas.org.

A series of concerts from Opus 3 at Charterhouse

This piano trio plays a variety of music, including Schubert, Bartok, Beethoven, Ravel and Schostakovich. See www.london.anglican.org/EventShow_7822 for more details. Tickets are £10 (£8 concessions) or £25 for the series (£20 concessions).

Storm of Hope – Christian Ecology Link Environment Day

A day of action, reflection, celebration and renewal, comprising worship, music, poetry, speakers, workshops and debate. Speakers include Ann Pettifor (Campaign Director Operation Noah); Mary Grey (theologian); Dave Bookless (A Rocha); Chaired by Peter Day (BBC Radio 4). Worship led by Alison Adam (Iona Community).

7 July 10am-5pm at All Hallows by the Tower. Booking is recommended. For more information visit www.christian-ecology.org.uk/stormhope.

Suffer the little children – the plight of child refugees

Organised by the London Churches Refugee Network. An opportunity to find out what churches can do to help, what resources are available and to receive an update on policy and campaign outcomes. 5.30pm, 12 July at the Jesuit Refugee Service, 6 Melior Street SE1. For more information t: 020 7932 1121 or e: chris.brice@london.anglican.org. All are welcome.