

**INFORMATION
JUNE 2007**

London Challenge 2012

Please let people know about 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

Every parish has a person assigned to edit these pages, as indicated at the bottom of each parish information page. Forgotten passwords can be retrieved through the log-in link (www.london.anglican.org/Login) on the home page.

Smoking in public places – new legislation from 1 July

The New regulations banning smoking in public places in England will come into force on 1 July 2007. Church of England representatives have met with the Head of the Smokefree team from the Department of Health, together with their consultant on publicity matters to discuss how the Church and the Department could work together positively to minimise the impact and to understand the implications of the legislation.

Information about how the legislation specifically affects churches is available from www.london.anglican.org/Smoking-Regulations. The Smokefree England fact sheet for churches is also available to download.

Receptionist vacancy at Diocesan House

A confident, friendly receptionist is required to work at the head office of the London Diocesan Fund in Pimlico, SW1. This front of office role includes meeting and greeting visitors, operating the switchboard and performing various admin tasks such as booking catering and meeting rooms. The ideal candidate will have previous reception experience and will have a good knowledge of MS Outlook and Word. A calm and professional manner is essential.

Further details are available from www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_7815. Closing date is 11 June.

Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

If you know a group of volunteers who devote their time to helping others in the community and improve the quality of life and opportunity for others, please consider nominating them for The Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service.

The Queen’s Award is a National Honour (equivalent to an MBE) launched to celebrate the Queen’s Golden Jubilee in 2002 and will be awarded to outstanding voluntary organisations nominated by their local community. The deadline for nomination is 30 September. Visit www.queensawardvoluntary.gov.uk or t: 0845 000 2002.

Listing accommodation near your church

A new website allows church webmasters to create a link to maps showing accommodation in the church’s area. This may be of particular use to people visiting for weddings or baptisms. The facility is completely free of charge, and more information is available from www.cofe.anglican.org/about/diocesesparishes/bedandbreakfast.html.

Asbestos management

Please note that asbestos management is now undertaken by APS Project Solutions, 70 Rosehall Close, Oakenshaw, Redditch, B98 7YD. t: 01527 544586, e: enquiries@advancedprojectsolutions.co.uk or visit www.advancedprojectsolutions.co.uk.

Small Miracles – Free Harvest Festival resources for churches

This resource pack is provided by Harvest Help, an overseas development charity.

The resources, based on Isaiah 61 and the Parable of the Good Samaritan, include service and music ideas and a sermon outline, as well as suggestions for fundraising and work with children and young people. Extra resources (prayer cards, posters, primary schools packs, films of the work in Africa) can also be arranged.

To order your free pack or for more information, t: 01952 260699, e: info@harvesthelp.org or visit www.harvesthelp.org.

Anglican Church-Building in London 1915-1945

This is a comprehensive, illustrated record of London's inter-war church-building activity. It shows the rich variety of Anglican churches erected for the capital's expanding population, some of them by famous and distinguished architects such as N.F. Cachmaille-Day, Sir Edward Maufe, Sir Charles Nicholson and A.E. Wiseman. The book contains both interior and exterior photographs for almost every building featured.

The publishers are offering a reduced price of £19.95 with free UK P&P for all orders placed by 30 June. Contact Spire Books Ltd, PO Box 2336, Reading, RG4 5WJ, t: 0118 947 1525, f: 0118 947 9853.

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 or call 0845 070 5059 quoting 'WEB GLA'.

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. The closing date for applications is 31 July.

ALMA Sunday 2007: 15 July

An opportunity to celebrate and mark London's link partnership with the Anglican dioceses in Mozambique and Angola. ALMA brings enormous benefits to the mission of all our churches, both in Africa and London, through mutual support, prayers, faith, vision and commitment to the ALMA partnership.

For information and ideas for ALMA Sunday, or to request a speaker, contact Sheenagh Burrell (ALMA Communications Officer) by e: sb@burrell1980.freeseve.co.uk or t: 020 7932 1231.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Environment Sunday (formerly Conservation Sunday), 3 June
- Refugee Week, 18-24 June; www.refugeeweek.org.uk
- Ordination of Deacons, St Paul's Cathedral, Saturday 30 June, 5pm
- Sea Sunday, 8 July; www.missiontoseafarers.org
- ALMA Sunday, 15 July; www.almalink.org and information in this mailing.

PEOPLE

Into the Diocese

The Revd Jack Knill-Jones, Incumbent of Holy Cross, Airedale with Fryston, Diocese of Wakefield, is to be Incumbent of St Peter and Paul, Teddington and St Michael and St George, Fulwell (09/14), from 29 June.

The Revd Stephen Caple, Incumbent of Christ the King, Salfords, Diocese of Southwark, is to be Priest in Charge of St Augustine, Queens Gate (11/02) and Bishop's Officer for Evangelism from 18 September.

Within the Diocese

The Revd William Van der Hart, Curate at St Mary with St Mark, St Marylebone (04/09), is to be Associate Vicar at St Mary with St Mark, St Marylebone, from 1 July.

The Revd Jason Rendell, Personal Assistant and Chaplain to the Bishop of Stepney, and Curate at Our Most Holy Redeemer Clerkenwell (06/30) is to be Diaconal Succentor of St Paul's Cathedral from 10 June.

The Revd Rex Morton, Curate at St Barnabas, Woodside Park (14/06), is to be Incumbent of St Alban the Martyr, Golders Green (15/14), from 13 September.

The Revd Bruce Batstone, Associate Vicar at Old St Pancras Team Ministry (17/20) and Chaplain to St Pancras Hospitals (17/95), is to be Team Vicar in the Old St Pancras Team Ministry with special responsibility for Old St Pancras Church and St Paul's Camden Square and continuing as Chaplain to St Pancras Hospitals from 25 June.

Out of the Diocese

The Revd Vicky Maunder, Curate at St Peter, Eaton Square (03/18), is to be Curate at St John the Evangelist, Kingston-upon-Thames, Diocese of Southwark, from 23 July.

The Revd Ivan Aquilina, Assistant Priest at All Saints, Margaret Street (04/02), is to be Incumbent of St John the Baptist, Sevenoaks, Diocese of Rochester, from 30 August.

The Revd Dr Daniel Eshun, Curate at St Thomas, Kensal Town (11/12), is to be Chaplain to Whitelands College and Anglican Chaplain of Roehampton University, Diocese of Southwark, from 1 September.

The Revd Karen Jones, Curate at St Barnabas, Northolt Park (23/11), has resigned with effect from 4 September.

The Revd Simon Pothén, Incumbent at St John the Baptist, Pinner (24/14), is to be Canon Precentor at Chelmsford Cathedral from 15 September.

The Revd Simon Jones, Minister in Charge of Ignite Youth Church (24/22), is to be Team Rector of Stoke Gifford Team Ministry, Diocese of Bristol, from 5 September.

Retiring

The Revd David Driscoll, Associate Vicar at All Hallows-by-the-Tower (01/01), is to retire on 31 July.

The Revd Carl Le Prevost, Incumbent of St Barnabas, Ealing (22/11), retires on 31 May.