

**INFORMATION
JANUARY 2008**

St Mellitus College News

The launch of St Mellitus College was announced at the start of September by the Bishops of London and Chelmsford as a new Training College for the two dioceses. Alongside the 80 students at NTMTC this year, there are now nine ordinands who have started on the new St Mellitus 'Mixed Mode' course, based at the St Paul's Theological Centre and joining with the NTMTC students for their residential weeks and weekends. These students are working part-time in parishes or 'Fresh Expressions' and studying during the other part of their time. A launch service is planned for early July in St Paul's Cathedral (date to be announced), when the new Dean of St Mellitus, the Revd Dr Graham Tomlin and the new Director of the London and Chelmsford Ministerial Training Course (NTMTC), the Revd Dr David Hilborn will be commissioned. A new Director of the St Paul's Theological Centre and a new tutor at NTMTC will also be appointed in the New Year and commissioned at this service. Discussions continue to work more closely with some of the other training institutions in the two dioceses as Associate Members of St Mellitus College.

Confirmations at St Paul's – a note from the Liturgical Secretary

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your candidates, their families and friends on Easter Eve for the Easter Vigil with Baptism and Confirmation at 7pm on Saturday 22 March 2008.

Letters to the Bishop The Bishop would like to know a little about each candidate. I would be very grateful if you could ask your candidates to write a few sentences about themselves, and then have these letters sent to me at susanc@stpaulscathedral.org.uk by Monday 3 March please.

Rehearsal The Rehearsal will take place at 5.30pm on Easter Eve. Please come with your candidates, meeting under the Dome for a walk through. The rehearsal will start promptly and will last around 40 minutes. After the rehearsal refreshments will be provided in the Crypt where the candidates will also meet the Bishop.

Presenting Clergy Please bring surplice and white stole. The Bishop likes presenting clergy to give candidates names verbally. No name card is necessary.

Confirmation Registers Please bring the Confirmation Registers, filled out in advance, from your Parish for the Bishop to sign. Please hand the Register to a Virger when you arrive. The Bishop is also happy to sign Bibles or other gifts.

Baptism Registers Baptism Registers are not required as the Cathedral Register is used.

I hope to send an order of service to you nearer the time so that your candidates have an idea of the shape of the liturgy, however, if you would prefer a PDF of last year's service, I will happily forward one to you asap if you let me know.

Regards
Sue Charles
Liturgical Secretary

Online Library Access

North Thames Ministerial Training Course has an agreement with online library providers Questia and ATLA (American Theological Library Association) to make the two libraries available to clergy, readers and other church workers. The material available is vast, and a list can be found at www.ntmtc.org.uk. A year's subscription to both these resources is £50 per year, which is half the price of an individual subscription.

For further information and to explore some of the libraries content, visit www.questia.com or www.atla.com. Alternatively contact Jeremy Ganga by t: 01708 762 012 or 020 7481 9477 or by e: jfg@ntmtc.org.uk.

If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity, visit www.ntmtc.org.uk, print out a form and send a cheque, made payable to NTMTC, to NTMTC, The Crypt, St George-in-the-East, 16 Cannon Street Road, London E1 0BH.

Family Fun in London

'Family Fun in London' is a free quarterly magazine and website that focus on fun days out with children, encouraging interaction and activities based around the arts, sport, culture and leisure.

The magazine can be downloaded from www.famfun.co.uk and family groups can request copies by e: david.wright@famfun.co.uk or t: 07867 803 003.

Dates for your diary

- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2008, 18-25 January; CTBI t: 020 7654 7254, www.ctbi.org.uk/index.php
- Peace Sunday, 20 January; Pax Christi t: 020 8203 4884, www.paxchristi.org.uk/PeaceSunday1.htm
- Poverty and Homelessness Action Week, 31 January – 3 February; Housing Justice www.church-poverty.org.uk or t: 020 7723 7273
- World Peace Weekend 2008, 8-10 February; www.world-disarm.org.uk
- Confirmations at St Paul's, 22 March at 7pm

PEOPLE

Within the Diocese

The Revd David Silvester, Incumbent of St Jude and St Paul, Mildmay Grove (06/15), is to be Team Rector of the Hackney Marsh Team Ministry (05/09), from 26 February.

The Revd Peter Galloway, Incumbent of Emmanuel, West Hampstead (16/05), is to be Chaplain to the Queen's Chapel of the Savoy (03/93), from 24 February.

Out of the Diocese

The Revd Andrew Williams, Rector of St Mary, Finchley (14/01), will vacate his appointment by cession on being appointed to the Parish of Applecross in the Diocese of Perth, Western Australia, 31 January.

The Revd Richard Bodle, Team Vicar in the Edgware Team Ministry (15/13), is to be Incumbent of the United Benefice of Churt and Hindhead, Diocese of Guildford, from 3 March.

Rest in Peace

The Revd Simon Farrer, of Saint Michael & All Angels, Stoke Newington Common (05/18), died 2 September 2007.