

**INFORMATION
MARCH 2008**

Easter 2008 teaching packs

By now all parishes should have received an Easter 2008 project pack. The initial feedback we have received about the pack has been very positive and we are excited about what a difference the packs could make as we continue to tell the Easter story afresh to young people in our diocese.

We are hoping to be able to publicise the project through various initiatives and to do this we need 'case studies' of how people are using the pack throughout the Diocese. If you have plans to use the pack, we would love to hear from you. We need as many examples as possible from right across the Diocese. If you have any plans to use it, or if you need any help or advice in using the pack, please let Sam Donoghue know. e:

sam.donoghue@london.anglican.org or t: 020 7932 1255.

Sion College grants

Clergy currently serving in the diocese are reminded that Sion College offers grants for study leave. Details are on the Grants page of the website at www.sioncollege.org.

Fair Trade Communion Wine

The world's first Fairtrade Communion Wine is now available, created by the Vinos Los Robles Cooperative in Chile. The Fairtrade premium supports a range of social initiatives for the local community including the purchase of a school bus. For further information and to order contact Francis Peel at Whitebridge Wines, t: 01785 817229.

Planetwise

The Revd Dave Bookless, a priest in Willesden and National Director of A Rocha UK, has written a book with a Christian approach to environmental issues. The book seeks to give an accessible and readable biblical overview of God's relationship with creation, humanity's place within creation, and God's call to be co-workers in caring for creation. Copies of Planetwise, and an accompanying resource pack, are available from A Rocha for £7.99: www.arocha.org.uk/planetwise.htm.

Racial Justice and the Ballot Box

Produced by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. The booklet will help clergy and members of congregations to explore some of the questions they may wish to address in developing a Christian response to far right political parties. For use at election times and also where councillors with a racist agenda have been elected. Includes statements by major denominations and church leaders, including the General Synod. It is available to download at www.ctbi.org.uk/pdf_view.php?id=92.

Resources for Rogation Sunday

Rogation Sunday (27 April) is a timely opportunity to explore in our worship the relationship between our work, our life and our faith. MILE (Mission in London's Economy) is preparing worship, liturgical and study material for churches across London to use this Rogation Sunday which will be available in Mid March at W: www.mile.org.uk. For further information contact Chris Brice by t: 020 7932 1121.

Washington holiday house swap

A clergy family (two adults, one or two adult children) in Washington DC area are looking for a holiday house swap in London for 2-3 weeks in June, July or early August. No supply cover needed or desired. If you are interested or would like more details, contact the Revd Ken Howard, 9 Liberty Heights Court, Germanstown, MD, 20874; t: (301)916-9615 or e: VicOfNick@gmail.com.

Laudian altar frontals

Free to a good home: four completely plain Laudian woollen altar frontals in white, red, green and purple to fit altar 6' long, 32" deep and 34" high, and four plain veils to fit free standing tabernacle 14.5" high by 8.5" and 8.5". Please contact the Revd Patrick Allsop at St Paul's School, Lonsdale Road, SW13 9JT. t: 020 8746 5434 or e: plfa@stpaulsschool.org.uk.

Theology and Ministry MA Programme at King's College London

This programme offers a diversity of course content and teaching expertise. Designed in a unique cooperation between theologians and ministers, the programme combines intellectual depth with a phenomenal range of practical issues – from contemporary worship to Fair Trade. It will challenge, inspire and refresh anyone engaged in Christian ministry, from ministers and ordinands, to laity and members of faith based organisations.

The following Master's degrees are offered (subject to approval): Youth Ministry; Theology, Politics and Faith Based Organisations; Contemporary Ecclesiology; Contemporary Worship; Christian Education; Pastoral Ethics; Bible and Ministry; and Mission and Ministry in the Modern Age.

All these programmes are available full time (over a year) or part time (usually over two years). The structure has been designed to accommodate part time students in full time work. Each MA has a subject specific module, which is supplemented with three further modules, and a dissertation. Each module consists of 20 hours of teaching, spread over five intensive study days.

Programme Director: Dr Dominic Erdozain, e: dominic.erdozain@kcl.ac.uk or t: 020 7848 2304. For an application form contact the Central Enquiry Unit by e: programme.enquiries@kcl.ac.uk or t: 020 7848 2929.

Postgraduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling

A part-time course, integrating professional counselling training with theological understanding of human process and development. Accredited with Nottingham University, this course, which takes a Gestalt approach, involves 20 taught days at college over an academic year, starting September 2008. Designed for people working in the caring professions, clergy, church pastoral workers, and those considering a career in pastoral counselling, students have the option to exit after a postgraduate certificate or complete the full three year diploma and work towards BACP accreditation. A parallel version is available for non-graduates who have other professional training but all applicants must have studied basic listening skills either at St John's (March) or elsewhere. Applicants normally attend an Open day for informal interviews.

Details from Alyson Ward 0115 925 1117 or ext.studies@stjohns-nottm.ac.uk.

Job Vacancies

Vacancies around the Diocese for a variety of jobs, including priests, organists, pastoral assistants and parish administrators, are advertised on the diocesan website. Visit www.london.anglican.org/JobVacancies for the complete listing or to advertise your vacancy.

Some of the posts being advertised now:

- Press & Media Assistant: www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_9388
- Accountant: www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_9353
- Parish Youth Worker: www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_9225
- Communications Officer, Winchester: http://www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_9402

Dates for your diary

- Fairtrade fortnight, 25 February – 9 March
- Women's World Day of Prayer – 'God's wisdom provides new understanding' – prepared by the women of Guyana, 7 March; www.wwdp-natcomm.org
- Confirmations at St Paul's, 22 March at 7pm
- Oscar Romero Commemoration Service, 29 March at 12noon at St Martin-in-the-Fields
- Christian Aid Week, 11-17 May; www.christianaid.org.uk.

PEOPLE

Into the Diocese

The Revd Judith Stephenson, Chaplain to Hull University, Diocese of York, is to be Chaplain to West London YMCA from 1 March.

Within the Diocese

The Revd Adrian Beavis, Associate Vicar at St Stephen, East Twickenham (09/09), is to be Incumbent of St Luke, Radcliff Gardens (12/07), from 29 April.

The Revd William Whitcombe, Assistant Curate at St John the Evangelist, West Hendon (15/05) and St Matthias, Colindale (15/07), is now Chaplain at HMP Wormwood Scrubs.

The Revd Simon Clark, Assistant Curate at St Matthew, Ponders End (18/02) and St Alphege, Edmonton (18/02), is now Priest in Charge of St Mark, Noel Park (1911) and Chaplain to the College of North East London.

The Revd Keith Stephenson, SSM Assistant Curate (Deacon) at St Peter, Ealing (22/08), is to be Part-time SSM Assistant Curate (Deacon) at St Peter, Ealing (22/08), from 9 March.

The Revd Paul Smedley, SSM Assistant Curate at St Mary, Acton (22/12), has accepted Permission to Officiate.

The Revd Joanna Taylor, Assistant Curate at St Joseph the Worker (23/10), is now Part-time Assistant Curate at St Joseph the Worker (23/10).

Out of the Diocese

The Revd James Mustard, Assistant Curate at St Peter Mancroft, Diocese of Norwich, is to be Assistant Priest at St Peter, Eton Square (03/18), from 25 April.

The Revd Simon Hobbs, Priest in Charge of The Grosvenor Chapel (03/11A), is to be Chaplain of the Chaplaincy of St Boniface Bonn and All Saints Cologne in the Diocese of Europe.

The Revd Elisabeth Morse, Assistant Curate at All Saints, Fulham (08/01), is to Incumbent of St Luke, Battersea, Diocese of Southwark.

The Revd Ian Rogers, Priest in Charge of St Luke, Uxbridge Road (08/15), is to be Priest in Charge of St Andrew Tangmere and St Andrew Oving, Diocese of Chichester, from 9 April.