

**INFORMATION
JULY 2008**

St Mellitus Commissioning Service

The Bishops of London and Chelmsford will launch the new St Mellitus College on Wednesday 2 July at 7pm in St Paul's Cathedral. This service is open to everyone in the Dioceses of London and Chelmsford and especially to those who have an interest in theological training for both laity and clergy.

Part-Time Administrative Officer for ALMA (volunteer)

The LDF seeks an experienced and committed individual to fulfil this one day a week role, based at Pimlico, SW1. The job involves undertaking both financial and administrative tasks as part of the Diocese of London's partnership with its Link Dioceses in Angola and Mozambique. Reporting to the ALMA Link Officer who, in turn, reports to the Chair of the ALMA Task Group, this post will fulfil a key role in the purposes of ALMA in its tenth anniversary year and of its part in London Challenge 2012.

See www.london.anglican.org/JobShow_10187 for more details.

New features in Diocesan House Reception

Recent visitors to Causton Street may have noticed some additional features in reception. First an icon written by the Revd Regan Callaghan, a priest and artist based at St John on Bethnal Green, on the theme of hospitality, is now hanging behind the main desk. Visit www.london.anglican.org/NewsShow_9899 to learn more about this piece of artwork.

Secondly, a display screen has been installed to showcase images of the varied work taking place around the Diocese. This will assist in demonstrating the vast range of the mission and ministry of the Church in London to the many who visit Causton Street during the year. We are keen to build up the stock of pictures – should you have any that capture life in London, please send them to robert.hargrave@london.anglican.org.

Both the icon and the screen are generous gifts to the Diocese.

London Bible Summer Fun Drawing Competition

The Hope 08 London Office and Authentic Media are to produce a London Bible as a resource for local London churches. Children and teenagers can enter a drawing competition to help with this project. The competition is in two classes - one for children under 13 and the other for teenagers 13 and above. The competition is to illustrate the a selection of stories and bible passages – see www.london.anglican.org/NewsShow_10265 for the complete list of passages and how to enter.

The UK 2009 Gospel Choir Competition - Come Together in a Music Celebration

The 2009 UK Gospel Choir Competition is organised by the From Boyhood to Manhood Foundation (FBMF) based in Southwark, London SE1. It is an opportunity for the gospel community to come together in a celebration of faith through music. It is a platform for musical excellence and a showpiece for the very high standards in the UK gospel music scene today. There are prizes of up to £5000. See www.ukgospelcc.org.uk or t: 020 7922 7817.

Dates for your diary

- Ordination of Deacons, 28 June at 5pm in St Paul's Cathedral
- St Mellitus Commissioning Service, 2 July at 7pm in St Paul's Cathedral
- London Diocese Fairtrade Big Brew Saturday, 12 July
- ALMA 10th Anniversary Service, Sunday 13 July in St Paul's Cathedral
- Sea Sunday 2008, 13 July; www.missiontoseafarers.org
- National Justice & Peace Conference, 18-20 July; www.justice-and-peace.org.uk
- Racial Justice Sunday, 14 September; www.ctbi.org.uk
- Global Cease Fire Day, 21 September; www.peaceoneday.org

PEOPLE

Into the Diocese

The Revd Philip Davison, Priest in Charge of Emmanuel, Feniscowles, Diocese of Blackburn, is to be Rector of St Mary at Finchley (14/01).

The Revd Timothy L'Estrange, Rector of Beeding and Bamber with Botolphs, Diocese of Chichester is to be Rector of St Mary, Monken Hadley (14/16), from 12 October.

The Revd Jonathan Kester, Incumbent of St Mary Great Ilford, Diocese of Chelmsford, is to be Priest in Charge of Emmanuel, West Hampstead (16/05), from 10 October.

Within the Diocese

The Revd Tim McGowan Curate at St Cuthbert, North Wembley (21/02) is to be Curate at: St Matthew, Fulham (08/09) from 1 July.

Out of the Diocese

The Revd Richard Reeve, St Edmund of Canterbury, Hayes (25/06B), is to be Team Rector of Tettenhall Regis, Wolverhampton, Diocese of Lichfield from 30 September.