

E-bulletin – January 2011 issue

January E-bulletin - Happy New Year!

Bishop Trevor's Video Message

Filmed at the Folkestone Winter Shelter Project at St John's Folkestone on New Year's Day, Bishop Trevor looks back and looks forward and prays that we may have a renewed energy to serve others and reach out to those in need.

www.canterburydiocese.org/multimedia/video/bishoptrevor

News from Canterbury Diocese

The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message

In his New Year message the Archbishop of Canterbury talks about the King James Bible and its relationship to the 'Big Picture' of the last 400 years. For the message visit:

www.canterburydiocese.org/archbishop/newyearmessage.htm

To watch the Archbishop delivering his New Year message:

www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00xb9k3

Canon Ron Diss

Canon Ron Diss died in the Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury on Wednesday 15 December. His funeral Eucharist will be held on Friday 7 January 2011 at 1.00pm in the Quire of Canterbury Cathedral.

Please contact Cathedral Reception (01227 762862) or Canon Clare (01227 865227) if you plan to attend.

MBE awarded to Holy Trinity Ramsgate Chair of Govenors

In the New Year's Honour's list Rod Thomas, Chair of the Board of Governors at Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School, Ramsgate, has been awarded an MBE for voluntary services to education.

Retired bishop swaps the 'quiet life' for checkpoints and curfews

Former Bishop of Dover, Richard Llewelin, will be spending three months from the middle of February in Israel/Palestine as a human right's observer. For more information:

www.canterburydiocese.org/news/richardllewellin5.1.2011.htm

24/7 Live it! Year of Discipleship - Lent Resources

'Confident Discipleship', a five part diagnostic Lent course which will help people to engage with Jesus' disciple-making pattern of 'come, follow, learn, change and go', is available as part of the Year of Discipleship and may be downloaded from:

www.canterburydiocese.org/247liveit/lentresources/index.htm

Pat and Shirley retire

After nearly 60 years of combined service, Pat Gibson (Assistant Director of School Organisation) and Shirley Barber (PA to Assistant Diocesan Director and Financial Administrator), retired at Christmas. For photos of the party and presentations visit: www.canterburydiocese.org/retirement

Blessings of Seas

On Sunday 9 January, Bishop Trevor will join Archbishop Gregorios of Thyateira and Great Britain for the annual Blessing of the Seas at Margate. [Click to read more](#)

Cathedral Confirmations

The dates for next year's Cathedral Confirmations have been set for:

Wednesday 15 June and Tuesday 8 November

To submit the names for confirmation candidates visit: www.canterburydiocese.org/confirmation

Principal of SEITE moves into Diocesan House

The Revd Canon Jeremy Worthen who is the Principal of the South East Institute of Theological Education (SEITE) has recently moved into an office at Diocesan House. The move will enable the diocese to work closely and collaboratively in all the areas of ministry training that SEITE are providing.

Clergy Terms of Service update

For the latest update on the implementation of Common Tenure, including FAQs and information on the Statement of Particulars visit: www.canterburydiocese.org/termsofservice

Parochial fees for 2011

The fee table for 2011 including parochial fees for marriages, funerals and register searches can be found at: www.canterburydiocese.org/parochialfees/feetable2011.pdf

Keeping churches safe this winter

Ecclesiastical have produced a 'hints and tips' sheet for advice about keeping churches and associated properties safe during the winter: For more information [click here](#)

Following a number of lead thefts, Kent Police have also produced [guidance](#) to prevent lead theft visit www.canterburydiocese.org/staysafe/index.htm

Photo Caption Competition

We had some wonderful entries for last month's photo caption which was submitted by Dennis Garland of St Francis Ashford. The winning three entries are:

- We may be losing flying bishops but we seem to have acquired episcopi vagantes.
Julia Butterworth
- The pawn brokered his way through the wall and into the holy of holies.
Michael Turnbull
- Bishop Trevor had double booked himself, so sent the new Bishop of Maidstone to preside.
John Sweatman

For more captions visit:

www.canterburydiocese.org/caption/december2010/index.htm

January competition

The photo for this month's competition was taken at the Diocesan House during the Secret Santa celebrations. Please send your caption to:

eshepherd@diocant.org

To view a larger version visit:

www.canterburydiocese.org/caption/january2011/index.htm



If you have any photos requiring a caption, please send them to [Emily Shepherd](mailto:Emily.Shepherd@canterburydiocese.org).

Resources Review

Harvey Richardson, County Ecumenical Officer for Churches Together in Kent, reviews the YORK COURSES study material for Lent 2011 'Rich Inheritance - Jesus' legacy of love'.
www.canterburydiocese.org/lent/reviewyorkcourse2011.htm

People and Vacancies

For latest appointments and notices visit: www.canterburydiocese.org/peopleandplaces

Organist seeks position

Roger Marvin, an organist who has recently moved from Leicester to New Romney, is still happy to hear from parishes looking for a long-term organist/director of Music. In the meantime Roger is available to play for all types of services on any day of the week, and can cope with short notice, distance (within reason), and all types of styles and liturgy, including big occasions. Roger can be contacted by telephone: 01797 363 578, mobile: 0791 409 5496 or by email: madrm@btinternet.com

Diocesan Training

Children Volunteer Leader's Weekend Away

Friday 4 - Sunday 6 February 2011

Venue: The Oast Houses, Northiam

Cost: £80 (this includes a 40% discount that the diocese is offering as part of our commitment to support you in your work!)

If you are a children's work volunteer then these few days away are for you.

The retreat is an opportunity to relax, be pampered, eat chocolate, enjoy great food, surroundings and facilities and to take some time out to reflect with others on the work you're doing as well as learn some new skills to help you develop it in the future. There'll be plenty of time to meet with God and each other as well as time to relax. Be brave and ask your church to consider treating you to a weekend away! They will benefit in the long run.

All bookings are going through Rochester Diocese so please send your booking form and cheque (or invoice request) to Sarah Cabella. A booking form is available [here](#) or for more information please contact Murray at Diocesan House: mwilkinson@diocant.org

Pinnacles and Pitfalls - Marriage Legislation, Churchyards, and general queries of ecclesiastical law affecting parish clergy,

This event led by Revd Canon John Rees (Provincial Registrar to the Archbishop of Canterbury) is for clergy only. It includes a session on marriage legislation and a session on churchyards and other legal matters.

Tuesday 8 February 2011, 9.30am - 12.30pm, £5, CMD available.

Register online at: www.canterburydiocese.org/booking/pinnaclesandpitfalls.htm or contact: Rose Dale at rdale@diocant.org

Canterbury Diocesan Interim Spirituality Group

'Ways in Prayer'

Saturday 12 March 2011, 10.00am - 3.30pm

Franciscan International Study Centre, Canterbury

To include a choice of three workshops:

- Music and Prayer with Music Therapist and Theologian Janet MacDonald,
- Praying with icons with Julia Butterworth, once Diocesan Adviser in Spirituality
- Are there patterns in our personal stories with Brian Chalmers, scientist and priest
- The Spirituality of Hospitality with Chaplain to the Living Well Amanda Evans
- Sacred Space with Peter Ashman Rector in Elham and Anne Rees, Spiritual Director
- Making Connections Exploring the links between the body, the mind and the spirit in our prayer with Helen Connell, Jacqui Cotteril, and Michael Morris

More information, programme and booking form online at
www.canterburydiocese.org/waysinprayer/index.htm

Bishop's Day for Clergy

Friday 18 March 2011

The Chapel, Canterbury Christ Church University
 From 9.30am (for 10.00am start) to 3.00pm

Stephen Wright, lecturer at Spurgeon's College in London, offers helpful ways of preaching key Holy Week and Passiontide narratives in the Year of Matthew. This is when the kingdom Jesus spoke of in his parables breaks in - ironically through this world's rulers and their systems. The day will provide provisions for both our personal journey and our preaching.

Book online at: www.canterburydiocese.org/booking/bishopsdayforclergy.htm

Worship and Liturgy Day 'Celebrating Easter'

Saturday 19 March 2011, 10.00am - 3.30pm

The Upper Room, St Mary Bredin, Canterbury

For Clergy, Readers and ALM Worship Leaders

Cost: £15 (CME for Clergy & Readers, no charge for ALM worship Leaders)

The Revd Professor Paul Bradshaw is Professor of Liturgy at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, and divides his time between America and London. He is an international scholar and author in the field of liturgy, and serves on the Church of England's Liturgical Commission.

Christopher Irvine, Canon Librarian at Canterbury Cathedral, has spent most of his ministry in theological education. He is a Consultant to the Liturgical Commission; contributes to the teaching of Liturgy on SEITE, and is Director of KCME. He edited 'Celebrating the Easter Mystery' (Mowbray, 1996) and more recently published 'The Use of Symbols in Worship' (SPCK, 2007).

Booking at www.canterburydiocese.org/booking/celebratingeaster18march2011.htm

The programme can be downloaded from

www.canterburydiocese.org/whatson/celebratingeasterprogramme19march2011.pdf

Exploring a Calling to Spiritual Accompaniment

We aim to develop a group of both lay and ordained practitioners who are called to the ministry of the spiritual accompaniment of others. Training for the two year programme will take place over six Saturdays in year 1: (February 12th, April 16th, June 11th, September 10th, October 29th and December 10th).

An application form, supporting letters and a Programme Brochure which describes the course, with dates and venues, is available at: www.canterburydiocese.org/spiritualaccompaniment

The cost of the course is £220pa. CME (for clergy and Readers) may be requested.

If you would like more information please contact: Rose Dale: rdale@diocant.org ; tel. 01227 459401.

Living Well Events

A number of events are planned for the winter:

www.the-living-well.org.uk/living-well-programme.asp

What's On in the Parishes

Events in the next month include:

- Friday 14 January 2010, 7.30pm and Saturday 15 January 2010, 2.30pm - 7.30pm, **Pantomime 'A Lad in a Manger'**, Holy Trinity, St Peter's and St Andrew's, Thanet Deanery
- Friday 28 and Saturday 29 January 2011, 7.30pm, Saturday Matinee 2.30pm, **Pantomime - Aladdin**, St Martin's Church, Northumberland Road Shepway, Maidstone
- Wednesday 19 January 2011, 7.45pm - 9.15pm, **What is the point of singing hymns?**, with The Very Reverend Robert Willis, Dean of Canterbury, St Peter's Methodist Church, Canterbury
- Saturday 29 January 2011, 2.00pm - 4.00pm, **Christian Aid Tea**, a chance to see films and hear a talk about the focus for Christian Aid Week 2011, St Peter's Methodist Hall, Canterbury
- Saturday 5 February 2011, 7.00pm - 11.00pm, **60's music night with Simon Lane and band**, St. Nicholas-at-Wade Village Hall

For full details visit: www.canterburydiocese.org/whatson/parish/index.htm

To include your event on our website and the 'What's On' list, please complete the online form: www.canterburydiocese.org/whatson/parish/submitevent/index.htm.

Cathedral News and Events

Services and events in January - March 2011

www.canterburydiocese.org/whatson/cathedraleventsjan-march2011.pdf

Cathedral Appeal gets Celebrity Backing

Actors, historians, artists and writers are backing the conservation of Canterbury Cathedral. Actor Joanna Lumley, best-selling novelist Ken Follett, and historian Dr David Starkey are among those recently announced as Advisers to The Canterbury Gift. Read more:

www.canterburydiocese.org/canterburycathedral/thegift/pressrelease29nov10.htm"

Canterbury Cathedral Fund reaches £11.5m

The Canterbury Gift, the charity that supports conservation, music, education and craftsmanship at Canterbury Cathedral has now reached £11.5m. read more:

www.canterburydiocese.org/canterburycathedral/thegift/pressrelease12dec10.htm

News from organisations linked to the Diocese

Spirituality and Well-being seminars

A series of seminars on 'Spirituality and Well-being' are being held in Sittingbourne and Canterbury. Facilitated by Hospital Chaplain Pam Beckinsale, the seminars will be helpful for clergy, ministry leaders, children's leaders, carers, health professionals and anyone interested in the connection between spirituality and well being.

[Details](#) [Booking form](#)

The first meeting for seminarians is on Thursday 24 February from 6.30pm - 9.00pm, with Revd Professor Robin Gill from the University of Kent at Canterbury on 'Compassion and Assisted Dying'. The seminar will be held at Holy Trinity, Dover Street, Church Hall, Sittingbourne and costs £5. Details via the links above.

Healing from the inside out -

A day for yourself with Jennifer Rees Larcombe

Saturday 26 February 2011, 9.30am - 4.00pm in Eastling Village Hall

Cost is £5 per person - cheques payable to Eastling PCC.

Tea and coffee provided, please bring your own lunch or include £1.50 if you would like home made soup.

To reserve a place please contact Laura Lloyd, via The Rectory, Newnham Lane, Eastling. ME13 0AS. Tel: 01795 890487

Canterbury Cursillo - Annual General Meeting and Ultreya

Saturday 5 February 2011, The Crypt at Canterbury Cathedral

11.30am - Eucharist followed by bring and share lunch at St Thomas' Hall, Burgate, Canterbury

Contact: The Secretary Mrs Gill Neal gill.neal@hollismotors.seat.co.uk

Liturgical Dance Events

Liturgical Dance is an enjoyable, healing and uplifting experience. Heike Podger demonstrates simple dance steps to slow Baroque or Taize Music and prayers are read in between the dances. Liturgical Dance Events will take place in the Eastern Crypt of Canterbury Cathedral from 12noon to 1.30pm on the following Mondays: 21 February, 9 May, 26 September, 21 November 2011.

Everyone is welcome!

More information from: Heike Podger, Centrespace, tel: 01227 462038, email:

heike.podger@gmail.com

Kent God's Acre Project workshop

Saturday 19 February, 10.00am - 3.00pm

Portland Hall at St Peter's Church, Broadstairs

A full day workshop with two parts. The morning part will be a general churchyards' overview consisting of churchyard recordings, wildlife etc with presentations from our partner organisations.

The afternoon session will focus on how to develop your Management Plan. Further details, which will also include a programme for the day, will be available shortly from:

kentgap@googlemail.com or tel: 01795 890487.

Church of England News Round-up

News from the Church of England in December - <http://www.cofe.anglican.org/news> News from the Archbishops - www.archbishopofyork.org/119

Notices from National Organisations

Lyme Regis Organ School

A newly formed organ school is holding its inaugural Winter Workshop from 24 - 26 February 2011 using the Skrabl organ recently installed in St Michael's, Lyme Regis, Dorset. This first residential event is aimed at organists of any age and level of attainment. Its focus will be on music for Holy Week and Easter. There will be group workshops, individual teaching, demonstration and a full length organ recital. Accommodation will be arranged in the delightful town of Lyme Regis.

For further information, please contact Richard Godfrey, tel 01297 445709, email

rgodfrey78@hotmail.com

Save money on stationery

PCCs spend several million pounds on stationery each year. The Church of England's procurement group, comprising of diocesan, national and parish representatives seeks to offer

parishes suppliers that offer good service, are environmentally responsible, and can achieve significant savings compared with current prices. Visit www.parishresources.org.uk/buying/stationery.htm or www.2buy2.com to find out more about saving your parishes money on office products.

1650 Church Plate recovered

The City of London Police have recently recovered an item which seems to be a piece of church plate thought to date back to 1650. [Click here](#) for an image and to find out more.

Russian singers would like to sing at your venue

A small singing group (four people) from St. Petersburg, Russia are looking for venues for concerts. Contact Andrey Sysoev, aasya@gmail.com for more details or visit the website: www.lyra-online.org

Deaf Chaplaincy Recruitment Day

Saturday 26 February, St Martin's in the Bullring, Birmingham
Learn more about ministry to the deaf community. Details from Philip Maddock: Philip.maddock@c-of-e.org.uk or download the flyer: www.canterburydiocese.org/whatson/ministryindeafcommunityFeb11.pdf

Message from Ecclesiastical about the new 20% VAT

Following the increase to the rate of Value Added Tax (VAT) from 17.5% to 20%, Ecclesiastical have announced they will increase the sums insured for all church buildings, currently in use for worship, to reflect the new level of VAT, from 4 January 2011 without any additional charge.

Wolfson Grants available for Fabric repairs

The Church Buildings Council administers applications for grants from the Wolfson Foundation, towards fabric repairs to Anglican Churches. Applications for grants are considered on the grounds of the architectural and historic importance of this building (usually Grade 1), urgency of work required and the ability of the church to contribute financially to the scheme. For more information and the on-line application form please go to www.churchcare.co.uk/funding.php?IM

Big Lottery Fund launches £75m grants scheme for buildings

The Big Lottery Fund is opening a £75m community buildings grants programme for voluntary organisations and parish and town councils in England. Not-for-profit groups will be able to apply for sums of between £100,000 and £500,000 each from the BLF's Reaching Communities programme from early December. Organisations can register for further information by calling 0845 410 2030 or visiting www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 18 - 25 January 2011

Materials are now available for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2011, which takes place from 18 - 25 January at <http://www.ctbi.org.uk/521/> The theme for 2011, "All things in common" is taken from Acts 2: 42-47 and the worship resources were developed by an ecumenical group in Jerusalem.

Sarum College - Conference for Spiritual Directors

Friday 30 September - Sunday 2 October 2011

An invitation to express interest

This conference is being planned by Canon Peter Ball, Canon Keith Lamdin, Anna Desch, The Revd Jackie Birdseye and Sir Mairead Quigley.

[Download a leaflet on the 2011 Conference for Spiritual Directors](#)

Communications Training run by Church House

A series of training events to improve communications in churches:

- **Well presented: how to give an effective talk>**

16 March 2011, Church House, Westminster, London, £105

This small group workshop uses video playback to assess your public speaking style, and expert coaching advice to build on your strengths.

- **Getting the most from PowerPoint**

17 March 2011, Church House, Westminster, London, £145

Come and learn how to create a consistent professional presentation that makes the most of all the features of PowerPoint to enhance what you want to say.

- **How to get your church noticed**

22 March 2011, Church House, Westminster, London, £105

Does your local community know about the good things on offer at your church? Come and find out how to make your building welcoming, how to create effective leaflets, posters and magazines, and how to make the most of the local media and internet.

Further information on all Church Communication training at:

www.commstraining.cofe.anglican.org/2010/index.php

Proposed Law Changes for using Commercial Sound Recordings

Proposed changes to the licensing laws regarding the use of commercial sound recordings (CDs, cassettes etc) in churches are due to come into effect from 1st January 2011. Christian Copyright Licensing International (CCLI) understands that the new laws, enforced by Phonographic Performance Ltd, will probably not affect churches until January 2012.

CCLI is in discussions with PPL regarding the administration of these new licences. Any news regarding any additional licences for churches will be made available later in the new year.

Please contact CCLI on info@ccli.co.uk or call +44 (0)1323 436100 for further information.

FOCUS ON

Education Sunday is an ecumenical day for all those involved in education and takes place this year on 20th February. Find out more at: <http://www.canterburydiocese.org/focuson/january2011>

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