

An e-bulletin of news, information and notes for clergy and lay leaders in the Diocese.



STEAMING INTO AUTUMN

The liturgical year starts in Advent and the secular calendar starts in January. But in the northern hemisphere at least, Autumn offers its own new beginning with the start of the school year and many other activities re-starting after the summer holidays.

This Autumn edition of our occasional newsletter from the Communications Committee, with input from Brussels and London offices, is to keep Clergy, Readers and Lay Leaders, Churchwardens, Secretaries and Treasurers updated about news and developments in our diocese.

As usual it includes some items which may have appeared on our website news pages as well as matters of more domestic interest to churches and chaplaincies. The e-newsletter can be read on screen and need not be printed out. Any material may be copied and included in church newsletters or magazines. Feel free to forward it to anyone in your congregation who would appreciate its contents.

If you have information about courses, events or useful links for materials which could usefully be shared please contact communications@europe.anglican.org for inclusion in our next edition.

NEW WEBSITE GOES “LIVE” AND GETS UP TO DATE

The long awaited facelift for the diocesan website went “live” during July and is now proving to be well worth the wait with its fresher look and much simpler navigation for news and information.

We appreciate the measure of frustration over the delay in completing this update but it involved linking the new website with a new diocesan database which provides us with instant and searchable access to information about our churches and people. Coordinating the website and database proved a tough challenge. Now it is up and running the website is displaying up to the minute information. We apologise to Clergy, Readers and church officers who have had to wait for their details to be updated. However another side to the story is . . .

OUR DATABASE NEEDS TO BE AN “UP TO DATE” BASE!

Important and major changes are on the way in the coming months affecting Data Protection laws across Europe. The new rules govern who holds data and for how long, how consent to holding data is obtained and demonstrated, and who has access to the data. The effect of the new rules are much wider than our churches and will be applied to local clubs and organisations through to vast international Corporations.

There will be more information available by early next year, before the new rules take effect, with guidance about how this will affect local church databases and mailing lists.

Richard Abraham is an Information Technology data consultant who is working in the Diocesan Office. Currently he oversees our new database and liaises with individuals who are listed on it so that they can agree to the inclusion of their details, under the new terms of the Act.

Look out for an update on progress and the implications of this in our next edition of DIET and on the website.

P.S. The absence of a picture of Richard at work is not linked to data security issues. We just haven't snapped his portrait as yet! Richard, our camera is on the trail.

A SEASON OF CHANGES



In September, Mike Fegan joined the team in the Diocesan Office as Diocesan Secretary. It is an interim appointment following the retirement of Adrian Mumford and Mike is expected to be at the helm for some months.

He brings a varied experience of church and corporate life to the job. He worked in the original Forte Hotels group before moving within the group to Granada Television where he became Finance Director. More recently he has held interim senior diocesan posts in St Edmundsbury and Ipswich and Rochester dioceses. Mike will be involved in

Bishop's Council with senior staff members and elected representatives in mid October.

Bishop Robert says "He is an experienced Finance Director, who has worked as a Chief Financial Officer and Commercial Director for a range of organisations from FTSE 100 enterprises to SMEs and charitable organisations. His recent appointments have been as an Interim, and his experience includes financial reporting, corporate governance and business planning." Mike Fegan will be working in the diocese part time during September and October before taking on the task fully from November.

Diocesan Office has seen a welcome return on a temporary basis in the Appointments Department of Jeanne French who was formerly Assistant Diocesan Secretary. She is taking care of appointments until late September after Catherine Jackson's move from the diocese to take up a post in the UK Department for International Trade. The department can be contacted with any queries about recruitment and appointments on europa.appointments@churchofengland.org



Looking a little further ahead, Charles Clarke told members of Diocesan Synod this year that he will be stepping down as Chairman of the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisory Committee in December. Under his leadership our Safeguarding has been transformed and is more robust to meet the rapidly changing demands of this vital area in church and diocesan life.

Charles will be leading the team to meet the National Safeguarding Audit which will be learning about our policies and practices on their visit

between 14th and 17th November. A new Chair of the Safeguarding Committee is to be announced shortly.

Meanwhile, Safeguarding Manager Ian Carter and his team have been busy working on audit statistics and other planning paperwork in readiness for the National Team's visit. They were also on hand at Diocesan Synod in Cologne in June to offer advice and assist in presentations.

Another "Train the Trainers" course is being planned for January/February 2018 in Torre Vieja so that the regional training courses of Level 2 Safeguarding can continue around the diocese.

All the latest contacts and information can be found on the website Safeguarding section.



Communications Officer, Paul Needle, is giving his computer keyboard and camera a rest from the end of December when he hands over the reins after over twelve years in the job. A review of our communications needs and strategy is underway before a new appointment to take oversight of the website news and information, media advice and editorship of the European Anglican magazine. Currently Paul has edited 48 of them. He hopes to continue locum ministry work within the diocese in the future. During the transition and in future the best email for diocesan communications matters is

communications@europe.anglican.org

BREXIT – A COUPLE OF UPDATES

After the consultation in Brussels earlier this year between representatives of the Diocese in Europe and government ministers and officials, Alison Rose, HM Ambassador in Belgium wrote to participants in June with an update on the position of EU citizens living in the UK, and UK nationals living in the EU, after the UK leaves the European Union. She writes;

“The UK Government undertakes to treat EU citizens in the UK according to the principles in paragraph 7 of the attached document, in the expectation that the EU will offer reciprocal treatment for UK nationals resident in its member states.

“Prime Minister Theresa May has said that we want to provide as much certainty as possible to the three million EU citizens currently living in the UK and the one million UK nationals living in the EU. We want to reach a reciprocal deal that covers both EU citizens in the UK and UK nationals in the EU as quickly as possible.

“We have listened carefully to the concerns of UK national communities in the EU to ensure we reflect their issues and concerns in our approach to the negotiations. This is a priority issue for the forthcoming negotiations and as the Prime Minister has emphasised, we will always put the interests of citizens first.

“A number of you have asked me what will happen to your UK State Pension after the UK has left the EU. UK State Pension is payable worldwide under domestic legislation. It is the UK’s intention to continue to uprate UK State Pensions for individuals living in the EU after we leave, subject to a reciprocal deal with the EU. The paper also covers other issues I know are of concern to you, such as health care, benefits, social security, education and mutual recognition of qualifications.”

The full paper on the UK proposal can be found [here](#).

AND AN EXCERPT FROM A LOCAL UPDATE FROM JAN HILLERMAN IN VIENNA

“Bishop Robert visited Vienna on 29-30 April and an early item on his Agenda was a meeting to listen to people’s Brexit-related concerns and preoccupations. Following the meeting, Colin Munro and I wrote an article for our Church magazine, ‘Crossways’, which appeared in the June-July edition. The article can be located by going first to our Church Website christchurchvienna.at then clicking on ‘Crossways’ under ‘Useful links’, and selecting the appropriate issue. It’s very clear that with some notable exceptions (Gibraltar springs immediately to mind), all of us have very similar if not identical concerns.

“Following that, the Austria-British Society (ABS), of which I am a member, has contributed to raising awareness of the implications of Brexit through two analytical papers prepared by the ‘Expertenrat’. This comprises a small group of senior, eminent persons with good knowledge of the subject matter. The Vice President of the ABS, a former Austrian Ambassador to the UK, has also given members an expert assessment of the implications of Brexit for the EU’s security and defence policy.

“We are setting up a British in Austria Group (BIA). Colin Munro is a former UK Permanent Representative to the OSCE who has now retired and settled in Austria. Colin got to know about a British in Germany Group (BIG) through an article in the Guardian, contacted the organisers and was invited to Munich to attend their July meeting, which HM Consul General also attended. He found the meeting, designated as a ‘Stammtisch’ or ‘Regulars’ table’, to be a useful and informative forum for discussion on all aspects of people’s Brexit preoccupations.

Colin thinks it would be constructive to emulate it here and the first ‘Stammtisch’ of our own will be held here in Vienna on 13 September. We already have over 50 expressions of interest and know of others, although currently not on the mailing list, who would like to come along. The basic aims will be to join the British in Europe, the Coalition of UK Citizens in Europe, to gather information about issues of concern to the 11,000 UK citizens in Austria, to lobby the Austrian authorities on their behalf and to follow closely the Brexit negotiations, disseminating information on Brexit as widely as possible. We will be keeping the British Embassy here informed about BIA activities.



FRIENDS OF THE DIOCESE

Invite you to their ANNUAL EUCHARIST

- Wednesday 18th October 2017 at 6pm
- St Matthew's Church, 20, Great Peter Street, Westminster, SW1P 2BU
- Celebrant: Rt Rev Dr David Hamid
- Preacher: Rt Rev Dr Robert Innes

The eucharist will include a memorial to the late Bishop Geoffrey Rowell as well as licensing Richard Chartres, the recently retired

Bishop of London, and Michael Langrish, former Bishop of Exeter, as honorary assistant bishops in our diocese. The service will be followed by drinks. All members and prospective members of the Friends are most welcome

BISHOP'S COUNCIL

Meets in London on Thursday and Friday 19th and 20th October



NOT QUITE EDEN BUT CHURCH GARDEN NOMINATED FOR A REWARD

Members of Campoverde Church, part of the Torrevieja Chaplaincy in southern Spain, have made it to the finals of the Church Times environmental awards competition due to be announced in October.

They designed and built a garden on a derelict eyesore site next to the Church and enlisted the support of the whole community,

businesses and the personal involvement of the Mayor. Every aspect was developed and managed by the Church including the garden design, fundraising and sponsorship as well as encouraging and involving the community in constructing and planting the garden.

The finished facility is now used widely for refreshments after church and for occasional outdoor services. It is a place of tranquillity for quiet reflection with memorial "Memory Stones" placed around the base of the cross. The work also attracted people who do not normally attend Church and helped to show that the Church is a key and relevant part of the village.

You can see for yourself the video produced by the church

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4h6wGwnRTlw&feature=youtu.be>

CAROLYN TAKES ON WOMEN'S ADVISORY ROLE

Rev Carolyn Cooke has been appointed as the diocese's new Advisor in Women's Ministry in succession to Rev Hilary Jones who has come to the end of her term of office after five years. Carolyn was ordained priest in 2003 and since 2010 has been chaplain of La Côte, a thriving two-centre (and two country spanning France and Switzerland!) chaplaincy. Bishop Robert says "Carolyn has led her chaplaincy with skill and pastoral wisdom. She has supervised a female colleague and a female CEMES student and has a keen understanding of the kinds of problems that women in ministry in our diocese can face at different levels of responsibility. As it happens, Carolyn continues the tradition of Switzerland-based holders of this post."

She comments: "I hope that I can bring valuable support and encouragement to women across the Diocese in Europe, as I know both Adele Kelham (now Archdeacon of Switzerland) and Hilary have done in the past."



CLERGY ON THE MOVE

WELCOME TO

The Reverend **James Andrew Denis Buxton**, currently Fellow and Dean of Chapel, Corpus Christi College, Cambridge (Ely) to be Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St John the Evangelist, Izmir, and Mission to Seafarers Port Chaplain to Izmir, Turkey (Europe) with effect from 18 September 2017

The Reverend **John Edward Neal**, retired, to be Priest-in-Charge of the Anglican Church of St Alcuin of York, Touraine, France (Europe) with effect from 22 May 2017

The Reverend **Canon Malcolm Dawson Rogers**, currently Vicar of St Mary with St Peter, Bury St Edmunds (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to be Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Andrew, Moscow (Europe) with effect from 18 August 2017.

The Reverend **Sarah Louise Tillett**, who currently holds a Permission to Officiate (Oxford) to be Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Peter, Chantilly, France, (Europe) with effect from 6th June 2017.

The Reverend **Gillian Joyce Trinder**, currently Non-Stipendiary Minister of the Bury St Edmunds Benefice and Non-Stipendiary Minister of the Lark Valley Benefice (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to be Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St George, Ypres, Belgium (Europe) with effect from 1st July 2017.

LEAVING US

The Reverend **Raymond Cyril Andrews**, currently Chaplain (Team Vicar), The Anglican Church of the Holy Spirit Costa Blanca, Spain, (Europe) to resign with effect from 18 April 2018

The Reverend **Canon John Wallace Blair**, currently Chaplain of the Anglican Church of the Holy Trinity, Madeira, Portugal (Europe) to resign with effect from 31 December 2017

The Reverend **Colin Sydney Butler MBE**, Priest-in-Charge of the Anglican Church of St Nicholas of Myra, Ankara, Turkey (Europe) to resign with effect from 30th June 2017.

The Reverend **Jennifer Kathleen Elliott de Riverol** currently Priest-in-Charge of the Anglican Church of St Martin de Porres, La Palma, Spain (Europe) to be Part-Time Rector of the Briningham Benefice (Norwich) with effect from 29th November 2017.

The Reverend Canon **David Michael Greenwood**, currently Priest-in-Charge of the Anglican Church of All Saints, Marseille, France (Europe) to resign with effect from 31st July 2017.

The Reverend **Anne Christina Jenkins**, currently Priest-in-Charge of the Anglican Church of St Stephen, Madremanya, Costa Brava, Spain (Europe) to resign with effect from 31 December 2017.

The Reverend **Alyson Margaret Lamb**, currently Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Michael, Paris, France (Europe) to be Priest-in-Charge of Mitford with Hebron (Newcastle) with effect from 11th August 2017.

The Reverend **Stafford Low** currently Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Michael, Le Gard, France, (Europe) to resign with effect from 1 September 2017

The Reverend **Mark Anthony John Wilson**, currently Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Vincent, the Algarve, Portugal (Europe) to be Priest-in-Charge of the Walbury Beacon Benefice (Oxford) with effect from 30th September 2017.

CHANGE OF LOCATION/TITLE

The Reverend **Darren Martin McCallig**, currently Chaplain of the Anglican Church of St Alban, Copenhagen (Europe) to be Senior Chaplain of the Anglican Church in Norway with effect from 2 October 2017.

DIOCESAN APPOINTMENT

Revd Canon Ken Dimmick is retiring from full time ministry, which included being Area Dean of Germany, effective from 30 September 2017. Revd Canon **John Newsome** has been appointed Ken's successor as Area Dean and will be commissioned at a meeting of CAECG by the Archdeacon.

USEFUL LINKS AND INFORMATION

A TRICK OR . . . A MEANINGFUL TREAT



The Meaningful Treat Pack is a new resource designed to help with mission work on, and leading up to, the eve of All Saints (Halloween). It is suitable for Light Parties, outreach events, schools or for children who call to trick or treat on 31st October.

Inside each pack there is a bag of Fairtrade chocolate buttons and a Challenge Activity Poster. The poster has eight challenges including a quiz, maze, word game, a call to buy Fairtrade, a prayer

suggestion, a national competition with a prize, and a challenge to treat someone less well off by donating to a children's charity.

Produced by The Meaningful Chocolate Company, each box costs £30 (there are 30 packs per box - £1 per pack). Each box also includes an ideas sheet for leaders. There is free delivery if ordered by September 30th. Visit www.realhalloween.org

David Marshall, from Meaningful Chocolate, explains; "Quite often people feel that there has to be more to Halloween than dressing kids up as serial killers or monsters. The Meaningful Treat box is a way for adults to challenge kids to look at the good in the world, to do a bit of good by giving to a charity and to enjoy some great Fairtrade chocolate. It's a chance for 5-11 year olds to shine this Halloween."

"The word Halloween means 'The night before All Saints Day'. All Saints Day is the time when we celebrate - religious saints they are a special kind of hero. We also remember friends and family members. It's the time when we celebrate good winning over bad and light over darkness. We also think it's a chance to show love to others."

Thank Your Vicar Week: 15-22 October 2017



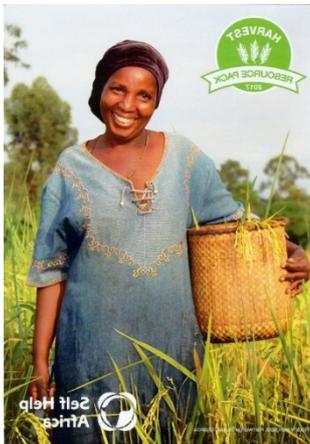
Join hundreds of Church of England parishes and primary schools to say thank you to your clergy - with Thank Your Vicar Week between 15 and 22 October. Over one-third of dioceses in England celebrated the first national Thank Your Vicar Week last year. Make 2017 the year your school or parish joins in!

Thank Your Vicar Week gives communities the opportunity to say a big thank you to their vicar or curate for everything they do for local people. It's organised by St Luke's Healthcare for

the Clergy, a charity which cares for the health and wellbeing of Anglican clergy and their families
You can download free Thank Your Vicar Week resources from 8 September, at:

www.stlukeshhealthcare.org.uk/events

HARVEST HELPS – IT WORKS BOTH WAYS



Self Help Africa is offering a series of resources which could be helpful in planning Harvest thanksgiving services.

In sub-Saharan Africa, 233 million people are suffering from hunger and malnutrition. It doesn't have to be this way. Most of these people live in rural areas, farming small plots of land. They are hungry because the land doesn't produce enough food.

But Africa's farmers can grow more – much more – if they are given some basic training and support.

Check out their resource pack at <https://selfhelpafrica.org/uk/harvest>

(REMINDER ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF DIET)

just walk to jerusalem 2017 - proposed route



WALK TO JERUSALEM BEGINS IN NOVEMBER

Planning is well advanced for The Amos Trust's pilgrimage walk in November which passes through our diocese. Just Walk to Jerusalem is a bold initiative to mark the centenary of the Balfour Declaration and 50 years of military occupation of the Palestinian Territories.

For more information about how you could get involved or offer practical help see their website

<http://www.amostrust.org/diary/just-walk-to-jerusalem-2017/> or contact katie@amostrust.org

FREEDOM SUNDAY IN OCTOBER – ARE YOU READY?

This is year 'Freedom Sunday', which is dedicated to remembering the plight of those caught up in human trafficking and modern day slavery, will take place on 15th October. It is always the Sunday nearest to the official European Day Against Trafficking in Human Beings on 18th October.

http://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/organized-crime-and-human-trafficking/trafficking-in-human-beings_en

Please get this date into your church diaries and plan, if possible, to have a focus on this issue in the preaching for that Sunday? Resource material can be downloaded from

<http://europe.anglican.org/downloads/2017-website-news/main-resource-pack-2017.pdf>

BISHOP ROBERT'S PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Following last year's successful photography competition, the Bishop will again be running a competition for artistic and inspiring snapshots from local chaplaincies. The theme this year is : "Fellowship". Do think about whether you could capture some event, or happening in your local Church to illustrate the fellowship of your church community.. The winning photos will be displayed in the Bishop's office and there will be a prize for the best photo. For more details about how to send entries contact : caroline.gaumy@europe.anglican.org



THE EUROPEAN ANGLICAN

The Autumn edition is now out and available in churches and online. We always welcome ideas for features or items of interest and are also always looking for new contributors. The following edition is dated December 2017 and copy deadline is mid-October. Please send ideas, pictures and copy to communications@europe.anglican.org

NEXT EDITION OF DIET – is scheduled for November 2017

If you have any diary dates, information you would like to share or other material please contact communications@europe.anglican.org

Has your church news appeared on our website or in the European Anglican magazine?

Please send information and pictures as soon as possible after the event you are reporting. Two paragraphs of a story are sufficient and pictures should be imaginative involving action rather than a line of people. A good picture sells and tells your story.

Send to communications@europe.anglican.org

AND FINALLY, FOR TV HISTORICAL DRAMA FANS



P.S. This photo was not taken on the Grantham road!