

Clergy Mailing - September 2009

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A first for racial justice

The Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin, the first black Chaplain to the Queen, will be the keynote speaker at a service to mark Racial Justice Sunday on **13th September 2009**.

Rose, a busy parish priest in London, recently celebrated 10 years of chairing the Archbishops' Council's Committee for Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC).



The service at **6pm at St Mary's Church, Nottingham** will run under the theme 'Who do you say I am?' and will include worship with Freddie Kofi, Rainbow Churches Together in Hyson Green Choir, Bishop George E Beason and Zimbabwean Choir, Joy Bells. **There will be a series of workshops on Saturday, 12th September at the Vine Centre, Hyson Green.** These will include discussion and presentation on

medical justice, racial justice, trade justice, justice in the workplace, criminal justice and asylum justice. There will also be a brief review of the past year's Rainbow Project work over refreshments, and 'Asylum Monologues' performed by the drama group Ice and Fire.

Further details: Dianne Skerritt 0791 7674680 or Catriona Gundlach 01636 817232, www.southwell.anglican.org

Get back!

Churches across the Diocese are gearing up to give a warm welcome to visitors this month, with about 100 churches linking in with the nationwide campaign Back to church Sunday on **Sunday 27th September**.

Churchgoers across the Church of England are set personally to invite up to half a million people to services on Back to Church Sunday, making the event one of the largest co-ordinated evangelism events shared across the Church in recent history.

Every one of the Church's 44 dioceses are taking part in the initiative this year, by encouraging churchgoers to invite someone they know who used to attend church to come back on a particular Sunday. Churches will focus on extending an even warmer welcome than usual on the day, supported by 'Back to Church Sunday' resources such as special red 'welcome' T-shirts and subsidised 'party packs' of fairly-traded catering products, produced in partnership with Traidcraft. **For more details see www.backtochurch.co.uk**



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Bishop's wife is new Mothers' Union president for Notts

The wife of the Bishop of Sherwood, Mrs Lucille Porter, is to be the new president of the Mothers' Union (MU) for the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham. Her hope is that the MU's excellent work with families and children will also extend to developing their work with teenagers.

She said: "I would love to see if we can have an input into that age range because I think that is the gap. A lot of parents think it's too late if they need support with teenagers - MU members have a lot to offer with their time and experience."

Lucille (57) will take up her new role next year, which will be marked with a Commissioning Service in Southwell Minster, when Margaret Sentamu, the wife of the Archbishop of York, who is a family friend, will preach on **Saturday, 13th February, 2009 at 11am.**



Sponsored Ride & Stride

The Annual Sponsored Ride and Stride, organised by the Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust, takes place on **Saturday 12th September, between 10am-6pm** and members of 240 churches and chapels of all denominations will take part.

For further information and how to participate contact: **Mike Elliott 0115 937 6506, email: elliottnews@btconnect.com www.nottshistoricchurchtrust.org.uk**

PCC Minutes

It has been noted from copies of PCC minutes that come into the Diocesan Office that some PCCs are recording the attendance and apologies of members of the PCC by giving either Christian names only or Christian names with the initial letter of the surname.

Minutes of PCCs are both a historical and legal record of proceedings and, as such, should be capable of identifying the members of PCCs attending the meetings and those who are not there. To do this, it is necessary that the surnames of the members be recorded in the minutes. We may all know who Freda or Bill is at the moment, but for future generations, that will not be the case. Could all PCCs therefore ensure that when recording in the minutes the names of the PCC members either attending or from whom apologies have been received, the record includes the surnames as well as either Christian name or initial letter of Christian names.

Supporting children in higher education



The Rt Revd George Cassidy and the Very Revd John Guille present Minster Students, Victoria Fox and Piers Peberdy with cheques from the Barrow Exhibition - a Trust Fund set up to support children in higher education.

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Farewell service for Bishop George

More than 500 people gathered at Southwell Minster to celebrate with the Bishop of Southwell & Nottingham, the Rt Revd George Cassidy and his wife Jane, as they looked back on the last 10 years with a special farewell service on Sunday, 19th July 2009.

All three cathedral choirs took part in the service which included some of the bishop's favourite hymns and anthems. Colleagues took part in readings and prayers were led by the Bishop's chaplain and his two secretaries.

Giving his last sermon as the bishop, Bishop George said he felt just as nervous as the first time he preached at the Minster some 10 years ago. Towards the end of the service the bishop handed the Dean his crosier which was laid on the altar and the Bishop and Jane Cassidy knelt on the altar steps while the Bishop of Sherwood prayed for them and their future.

Following the service, the Lord Lieutenant, Sir Andrew Buchanan thanked the Bishop for all he had contributed over the past 10 years to the city and county. Chairs of the House of Clergy and Laity both talked about the impact the bishop had made on various areas of the diocese, including the name change to include Nottingham in the title and the slimming down of administration and decision-making groups. The Archdeacons of Newark and Nottingham handed over Irish and an English Lions rugby tops and there was also a presentation of a gifts for the Bishop and Jane from the Diocesan Chief Executive, Nigel Spraggins on behalf of the Diocese, including a photographic record of his last 10 years.



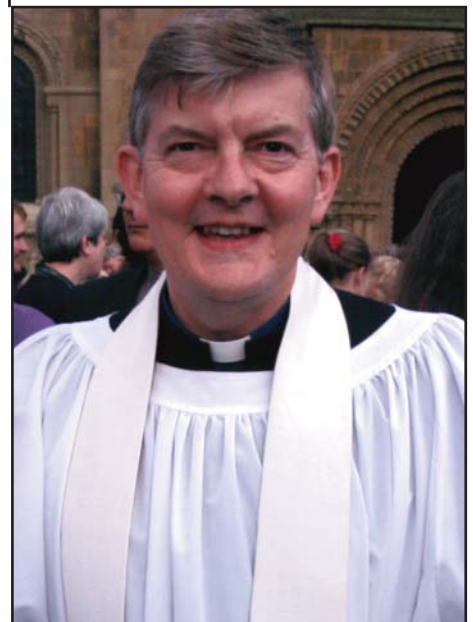
Bishop's tribute to Nottinghamshire clergyman

The Bishop of Sherwood paid tribute to a Nottinghamshire clergyman, the Revd Robert Murray, whose funeral was held in August.

The Rt Revd Tony Porter, the Bishop of Sherwood, said: "We were deeply saddened by the death of Robert Murray. His ministry was enormously appreciated. He was a humble man with a profound faith - ordinary people found him so approachable and accessible. He was a man of God who was deeply human."

The Reverend Robert Blake Murray – Priest-in-Charge of Brinsley with Underwood, died in Haywood House at the City Hospital, Nottingham, on Wednesday 29th July 2009 at the age of 60 years.

He leaves a wife, Liz and two children, Rebecca and William.



Family Care's Offering Service

Southwell Minster
Saturday, 26 September, 3pm

The theme is *'Every child matters'* celebrating Family Care's variety of work within the Diocese.

All welcome.



Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham

Deanery Administrator for East Bingham Deanery

East Bingham Deanery seeking to appoint a Deanery Administrator. The main focus is to provide the administrative back-up for the Area Dean, and the post will be based at Keyworth. The successful candidate should have highly competent computer skills, excellent organisational skills, be self-motivated, comfortable working with figures, willing to take responsibility and able to cope with an evolving job, relate well to people, have a working knowledge of the Church of England and be in sympathy with its aims.

The starting salary is £8.41 per hour for 3½ hours per week.

Closing date for applications is **12 noon on Monday 7th September** and interviews will be held on the afternoon of **18th September**.

For further details please contact Carole Park on 01636 817242 or at carolepark@southwell.anglican.org

The
Nottingham Emmanuel
School



For Admission in September 2010

Open Evenings 2009
Tuesday 29 September &
Thursday 8 October, 7pm start -
refreshments available from
6.30pm

Open Mornings 2009
Please could parents telephone
the school to make an
appointment.

**Gresham Park Road,
West Bridgford, Nottingham
NG2 7YF**

**Tel: 0115 977 5380,
Email: [admin@emmanuel.
nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@emmanuel.nottingham.sch.uk)**

**Website:
[www.emmanuel.nottingham.
sch.uk](http://www.emmanuel.nottingham.sch.uk)**



Bishop Tony and Lucille visited old friends at New Wine at Newark this summer, he said: "Lucille and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit, not least being able to catch up with John Coles from student days. New Wine is bringing enthusiasm and joy to Anglican ministry in this country and I know many of our clergy and lay people have been refreshed and renewed through all that New wine has to offer." He is pictured with one of the organisers of New Wine, the Revd John Coles.

A Celebration of Older People

*a special service in
partnership with UK and
International Older People's
Day.*

Well known hymns, drama,
readings and prayer

**Southwell Minster
service starts at 2.45pm**
Afternoon tea following the
service.

Registration and details:
Catriona 01636 817232,
[email catriona@southwell.
anglican.org](mailto:catriona@southwell.anglican.org)

Prayerdiary

www.southwell.anglican.org

Compiled for Nifty Notes

In October we pray for. . .

- Thu 01 Oct** **Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust – Queen’s Medical Centre (Julian Hemstock, Christine Dolby, Gail Spencer, Alison Brooks, Paul Weeding; Nottingham Healthcare Trust Mental Health Unit (covered by QMC)**
St Helena - (South Africa) The Rt Revd John Salt
- Fri 02 Oct** **NOTTINGHAM SOUTH DEANERY (Area Dean: Ruth Worsley; Lay Chair: Robert Cleave)**
St Mark the Evangelist - (South Africa) The Rt Revd Martin Breytenbach
- Sat 03 Oct** **Attenborough, St Mary the Virgin (Sue Hemsley-Halls)**
Sunyani - (West Africa) The Rt Revd Thomas Brient
Suffragan Bishop elect of Sunyani - (West Africa) awaiting details
- Sun 04 Oct** **Sisters of the Community of the Holy Cross, Rempstone**
Swansea & Brecon - (Wales) The Rt Revd John Davies
Nidaros (Bishop Tor Singsaas)
- Mon 05 Oct** **Beeston, St John the Baptist (Wayne Plimmer, Claire Towns)**
Swaziland - (South Africa) The Rt Revd Meshack Mabuza
- Tue 06 Oct** **Bramcote, St Michael and All Angels; Bramcote Primary School (Paul Reynolds, Joanna Stephens)**
Sydney - (New South Wales, Australia) The Most Revd Dr Peter Jensen
Sydney - Liverpool - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Peter Tasker
Sydney - North - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Dr Naunton Davies
Sydney - South - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Robert Forsyth
Sydney - West - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Ivan Lee
Sydney - Wollongong - (New South Wales, Australia) The Rt Revd Al Stewart
- Wed 07 Oct** **Carrington, St John the Evangelist (Jonathan MacGillivray, Stephen Wales)**
Tabora - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya
- Thu 08 Oct** **Director of Finance & Administration for the Diocese (David Meredith and his colleagues)**
Taita-Taveta - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Samson Mwaluda

In October we pray for. . .

- Fri 09 Oct** **Chilwell, Christ Church; Inham Nook, St Barnabas (Alan Howe, Lillian Heptinstall, Jenny Corcoran)**
Taiwan - (Province VIII, USA) The Rt Revd David Lai
- Sat 10 Oct** **Hyson Green & Forest Fields, St Stephen with St Paul (Clive Burrows)**
Tamale - (West Africa) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Arongo
- Sun 11 Oct** **Sisters of the Community of St Laurence, Sacrista Prebend**
Tanga - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Phillip Baji
Tönsberg (Bishop Laila Riksaasen Dahl), Strängnäs (Bishop Hans-Erik Nordin)
- Mon 12 Oct** **Lenton Abbey, St Barnabas (Alan Howe)**
Tasmania - (Ex-P, Australia) The Rt Revd John Harrower
- Tues 13 Oct** **Nottingham St Andrew (Richard Clark)**
Temotu - (Melanesia) The Rt Revd
- Wed 14 Oct** **Nottingham St Ann with Emmanuel (Karen Rooms)**
Tennessee - (Province IV, USA) The Revd John Bauerschmidt
- Thu 15 Oct** **Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust – City Hospital (Julian Hemstock, Paul Waters, Yvonne Glass)**
Bishop of Texas - (Province VII, USA) The Rt Revd Don Wimberly
Suffragan Bishop of Texas - (Province VII, USA) The Rt Revd Rayford High
Suffragan Bishop of Texas - (Province VII, USA) The Ven Dena Harris
- Fri 16 Oct** **Nottingham St George with St John the Baptist (Andrew Waude)**
Thoothukudi - Nazareth - (South India) The Rt Revd J Jebachandran
- Sat 17 Oct** **Nottingham St Jude (Graham Hadfield)**
The Arctic - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd Andrew Atagotaaluk
1. Suffragan Bishop of The Arctic - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd Larry Robertson
3. Suffragan Bishop of the Arctic - (Rupert's Land, Canada) The Rt Revd Benjamin Arreak
- Sun 18 Oct** **Healthcare Sunday – we pray for all who work in the medical and caring professions**
The Gulf - (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Azad Marshall
Växjö (Bishop Sven Thidevall)
- Mon 19 Oct** **Nottingham All Saints, St Mary & St Peter (Christopher Harrison, Stephen Morris, Chrissie Little, Alison Maddocks)**
The Murray - (South Australia, Australia) The Rt Revd Ross Davies
- Tue 20 Oct** **Nottingham St Nicholas (Steve Silvester)**
Thika - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Gideon Githiga

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- Wed 21 Oct** **Radford All Souls; Radford St Peter (Mark Gilmore, Carolyn Gilmore, Jan Leeming, Michael Phillips)**
Tirunelveli - (South India) The Rt Revd Jeyapaul Swamidawson
- Thu 22 Oct** **Sneinton St Christopher (Ruth Worsley, Howard Worsley, Alyn Haskey)**
Toamasina - (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd Jean Solo
- Fri 23 Oct** **Sneinton St Cyprian (Andrew Waude)**
Tohoku - (Japan) The Rt Revd John Kato
- Sat 24 Oct** **Sneinton St Stephen, Sneinton St Stephen's Primary School (Malcolm Crook)**
Tokyo - (Japan) The Rt Revd Peter Ueda
- Sun 25 Oct** **Bible Sunday – we pray for the work of the Bible Society**
Torit - (Sudan) The Rt Revd Bernard Balmoi
Stavanger (vacancy)
- Mon 26 Oct** **Stapleford, St Luke; Stapleford, St Helen; Stapleford St John's Church School (Vacant: Area Dean: Ruth Worsley, Lay Chair: Robert Cleave, Clergy: Dan Corcoran, Churchwardens: Joyce Mee, Ian McLaren, Paul Rodmell, Vera Allen)**
Bishop of Toronto - (Ontario, Canada) The Rt Revd Colin Johnson
Toronto - Credit Valley - (Ontario, Canada) The Rt Revd Philip Poole
Toronto - Trent-Durham - (Ontario, Canada) The Rt Revd Linda Nicholls
Toronto - York-Scarborough - (Ontario, Canada) The Revd Canon Patrick Yu
Toronto - York-Simcoe - (Ontario, Canada) The Rt Revd George Elliott
- Tues 27 Oct** **Toton St George's Army Church; Toton St Peter (Colin Bourne)**
Toungoo - (Myanmar) The Rt Revd Saw Wilme
- Wed 28 Oct** **Wollaton Park, St Mary (Henry Curran)**
Trichy-Tanjore - (South India) The Rt Revd Dr G Paul Vasanthakumar
- Thu 29 Oct** **WEST BINGHAM DEANERY (Area Dean: John Bentham)**
Trinidad & Tobago - (West Indies) The Rt Revd Calvin Bess
- Fri 30 Oct** **Barton-in-Fabis, St George; Gotham, St Lawrence; Kingston-on-Soar, St Winifred; Ratcliffe-on-Soar, Holy Trinity; Thrumpton, All Saints (Steve Osman)**
Truro - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Timothy Thornton
Truro - St Germans - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Royden Screech
- Sat 31 Oct** **Clifton Team Ministry (Sarah Clark, Carolyn Cooke, Liam O'Boyle, Richard Davey)**
Tuam, Killala & Achonry - (Armagh, Ireland) The Rt Revd Dr Richard Henderson



Natal News & Information

Bishop Rubin awarded peace prize

Link Officer, Barbara Holbrook writes:

It's the start of the new school year for us, but in Natal that doesn't happen until after Christmas. We start to look forward to new things happening. Two groups visited Natal in July, one from St Mary's in Arnold and one from Nottingham Bluecoat School. For all the young people involved this was a significant moment in their lives, as an encounter with a different culture always challenges us to look again at our own lives.

It's that challenge to look at how we live that led to Bishop Rubin being awarded a peace prize. He led that way in the boycott of the unloading of arms shipments for Zimbabwe in the port of Durban, challenging the usual and speaking up for peace and justice. He will be collecting his award in Germany in October, and we look forward to welcoming him to spend some time in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham around that time.

We are inviting more people to encounter this challenge as we develop 'small story' links between parishes and schools across the two Dioceses. Anyone who would like to be part of such a link is welcome to get in touch with us. We are also in the early



stages of investigating a business mentoring scheme – look at www.reconxile.org. When I was in Natal, one of the clergy asked 'How do we help and mentor our young people in their businesses?' – this may be part of the answer in how we can share in that work. This is at the earliest stage as yet – but again if it's something that you would like to be part of, please let us know.



Please pray for new initiatives and old friendships as we strengthen the bonds between the two Dioceses. Give thanks for safety in travel for everyone who has visited over the summer, and for the lives changed by these experiences.

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bholbrook@btinternet.com**

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CME September

3-6 Restoring Prayer

International Simeon Centre Conference.

Keynote Speaker: Dr Eugene Peterson

Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

Details: www.ridley.cam.ac.uk/scprogramme.html

12 Racial Justice Workshops

Led by Dianne Skerritt, Michael Singh, Puck Deraat, Shelagh Baird-Smith and others.

2-6pm

The Vine, Hyson Green

14 Challenging Behaviour How to cope with children who push the boundaries

Led by Nick Harding

7.30-9.15pm

Dunham House

16 & 23 Safeguarding Children

Both sessions must be attended.

7.30-9.30pm

Venue to be confirmed.

Bookings contact Family Care on 0115 960 3010

17 Quiet Day

A day with northern Celtic saints

Led by Neil Russell

10am-4pm BYOL

Sacrista Prebend £12.50

To book please phone 01636 816833

26 FUNERAL COURSE Bereavement Care

Led by Barbara Coleman and Pat Hemstock

9.15-3.30pm BYOL

Burton Joyce Church Rooms

28 Parish Finance for Clergy

Led by David Meredith

10am-1pm

Dunham House, Southwell

28 Legal Responsibilities for the Incumbent

Led by Chris Hodson

2-4pm

Dunham House, Southwell

(*free lunch if attending both of these events)

28 September – 2 October In service Study Week – Mission, ministry and the Triune God

Led by Christina Baxter, Ben Fulford and Michael Leyden

St John's College, Nottingham

£265 full board

Booking and further details from

Academic Administrator 0115

968 3216 or e-mail:

academic@stjohns-nottm.ac.uk

29 Mission & Media

Training on writing press releases and some practical experience in being interviewed, with tutoring from media professionals.

10am-4pm

St Jude's Church Hall,

Nottingham

(lunch included)

£40.00

30 Chaplaincy Day

10am-3pm

St Patrick's Church Hall Annexe,

Nuthall

Contact:

Catriona Gundlach,
01636 817 232, email:
catriona@southwell.anglican.org

Comedy Workshop

Andy Kind, a comedian from Stoke, has designed the course to help Christian ministers, and others involved in public speaking, to convey the Gospel message in a more engaging, relevant fashion.

The course will tackle issues such as body language, voice modulation and overall performance skills, and is aimed at building confidence and self-awareness.

Tuesday 20th October 2009

10am-4pm, £50

Christ Church, Worksop

Contact: Catriona Gundlach,
01636 817 232, email: catriona@southwell.anglican.org

Diocesan Conference 2009

IMAGINING TOGETHER

Mon 12 October

- Wed 4 October

The Hayes Conference Centre,

Contact: Catriona Gundlach,
01636 817 232, email:
catriona@southwell.anglican.org

New Wine Training Day **Developing your Prophetic Gifting**

St Mark's Church,
Woodthorpe, Nottingham

Saturday 17th October 2009

Speaker: Nigel di Castiglione

Further details: Sue Roberts
0115 9858655
email: monet@talk21.com

What's On

in September

Items to be included in What's On for both Nifty Notes & C Magazine should be sent to Nicola Marsh at nicola@southwell.anglican.org

- 4** Lunchtime at the Cathedral 2009 - The Quaker Tapestry – an illustrated talk. 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Refreshments available. No admission charge, donations invited to help cover costs. Further details: 01636 819233.
- 5** Following the Wild Goose. An afternoon of songs (sung by you!) from the Iona Community and the world church in the style of an Iona Big Sing with Paul Heppleston. Sherwood Methodist Church, Mansfield Road, Nottingham NG5 2EN. On bus route with free car parking nearby. Arrive at 1.30pm for 1.45pm start. Ends 4.45pm. Further details: Paul 01629 540969, email: paul.heppleston@virgin.net (donations to cover hire of room).
- 5** St Lawrence Mansfield Centenary Coffee Morning In the Church Hall, 10am. Raffle Tombola and Cake Stall. The Church will be open with displays of vestments, and organ recitals. Displays of St Lawrences history and Centenary banners made by church groups and local schools in The Treasury.
- 6** St Lawrence Mansfield Dedication Festival, 10.15am. Giving thanks for 100 years of service to the community, and looking forward to the future. Preacher Bishop Tony. Celebrant the Revd George Butler.
- 5, 6** St Wilfrid's Church, Scrooby - Flower Festival "Travellers on the Great North Road" and Village Show. Open: 10am-5pm on Sat and Sun with a "Festival Songs of Praise to Finish on Sunday.
- 9** An evening with 'Miss February': Calendar Girl Angela Barker will talk on why eleven respectable ladies took their clothes off for charity – and why it is being done again. Southwell Minster, 7.30pm. Tickets £8 from Minster Shop 01636 812 933.
- 12** All Saints', Coddington open from 10am-4pm for a 'Book Sale'. Refreshments available all day. This is in conjunction with the 'Historic Churches Cycle Ride', Come and see the Morris and Burne-Jones restoration work done in 1865.
- 12-13** St Mary's, Attenborough open for the Heritage Weekend, Sat 10am-4.30pm; Sun 2.30pm-4.30pm. Details: David Bignell 0115 9250060, email: outreach@attenboroughchurch.org.uk
- 12-13** All Hallows Church, Ordsall community event. Scarecrow Festival – prize for the most popular scarecrow. In conjunction with the 'Historic Churches Cycle Ride' on Sat 12th and Harvest Festival at 10.15am on Sun 13th. Further details: Helen Richards 01777 702515.
- 13** Racial Justice Sunday – St Mary's Church, Nottingham, 6pm 'Who do you say I am?' Mark 8:29. Keynote Speaker: the Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin, first black Chaplain to the Queen. Workshops on: Saturday 12th, 2pm-6pm, the Vine Centre, Hyson Green. A brief review of the past year's Rainbow Project work, and 'Asylum Monologues' performed by Ice and Fire. Worship with: Freddie Kofi, Rainbow Churches Together in Hyson Green Choir, Bishop George E Beason and Zimbabwean Choir, Joy Bells. Details: Dianne Skerritt 0791 767 4680 or Catriona Gundlach 01636 817232. www.southwell.anglican.org
- 17** Wholeness and Healing Service – The Minster Quire, 7.30pm. The Revd Pat Hemstock. Further details: the Revd Martyn Alvey 01909 473998.
- 20** Music in the Great Hall 2009 - Supporting the work of Southwell Minster Choir Association. 8pm, Great Hall, Southwell Minster. Dr Burney's Journeys - A musical tour of 18th century Europe by Early Music Ensemble 'Galliarda'. Admission free (no reservations) with a retiring collection. Further information and mailing list: migh@southwellminster.org.uk

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- 26** Family Care's Diocesan Family Offering Service. Southwell Minster, 3pm. Further details: Chris Burton 0115 960 3010, email: chris.burton@familycare-nottingham.org.uk
- 26** Celebrating the Centenary of the reopening of All Saints Church, Annesley. Concert by the Blue Coat choir. Further details: the Revd Liz Turner-Loisel, 01623 759 666, email: revd.liz@virgin.net
- 26** Prayer Walk – set off from St Mary’s Church, Attenborough and enjoy a peaceful stroll through Attenborough’s beautiful Nature Reserve. 10.30am-12.15pm. Further details: the Revd David Bignell 0115 925 0060, email: outreach@attenboroughchurch.org.uk www.attenboroughchurch.org.uk
- 27** Back to Church Sunday - see www.backtochurch.co.uk
- 26, 27** North Muskham Scarecrow Weekend - The 2nd North Muskham scarecrow weekend. A trail will be on sale so that people can walk around the village and view the scarecrows. Scarecrows will be displayed between 10am-4pm. Church open: 11am-4pm where you can obtain your scarecrow trail. Tombola, Cake stall, Refreshments. Saturday Evening - Harvest supper in North Muskham Church. Details 01636 605477.

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- 2** Lunchtime at the Cathedral 2009 - Tozer School of Dance. 12.15-1pm, Southwell Minster. Refreshments available. No admission charge, donations invited to help cover costs. Further details: 01636 819233.
- 2** A Celebration of Older People - a special service in partnership with UK and International Older People’s Day. Well known hymns, drama, readings and prayer. Southwell Minster - service starts at 2.45pm. Afternoon tea following the service. Registration and further details: Catriona 01636 817232, email catriona@southwell.anglican.org
- 10** Readers Licensing Service – 11am, Southwell Minster.
- 10** John Constable R.A. The Raptured Mind; an illustrated talk on the painter's spirituality, as expressed through his art. 7pm, Southwell Minster. Tickets £10 (including a glass of wine) available from Charles Leggatt 01636 817282
- 11** Music in the Great Hall 2009 - Supporting the work of Southwell Minster Choir Association. 8pm, Great Hall, Southwell Minster. Haydn String Quartets. In honour of the bicentenary of Haydn’s death, three of his quartets will be performed by local quartets from each stage of his life: one early, one middle and one late. Admission free (no reservations) with a retiring collection. Further information and mailing list: migh@southwellminster.org.uk

**Southwell Minster Craft Fair
Saturday 7th November, 10am-4pm**

Over 60 specialist craft stalls, including ceramics, jewellery, glass and furnishings in the beautiful Nave of Southwell Minster. Refreshments available in the Minster. fantastic gift ideas for all the family. Free entry.

Tel. 01636 817281
or www.southwellminster.org.uk
for further information.

St Nicholas Church, Tuxford

An afternoon concert of organ music given by
Nicholas Martin

(International concert & recording artist)
Sunday 25th October, at 2.30pm

There will be a variety of music played on
Nicholas Martin’s own Technics
G-100 organ.

Tickets £6
Available from Halls Newsagents, Brian Bland
01777 870218 or on the door.

**Please note that the deadline for the October issue of Nifty Notes
is 12th September 2009**

Comings & Goings. . Comings & Goings. . . Comings & Goings. . .

The Reverend Canon Linda Church, Team Rector in the Hucknall Team Ministry, Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham, to be Rector of Fowlmere, Foxton, Thriplow and Shepreth, Diocese of Ely. The Licensing date to follow.

Autumn of Action on Climate Change

This Autumn will be a very important time for the campaign against poverty and climate change and Christians are being encouraged to join in action and prayer.

The main dates are;

1 September to 4 October:

Time for Creation (Creation in Crisis - see below)

7th September:

Climate Justice Fund launch

18 October:

Micah Sunday – Stand Up
www.micahchallenge.org.uk

5 December to 18 December:

Preparation for & Praying for Copenhagen An ecumenical service on climate change with the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of Westminster and other church leaders will take place at 11:00 am in Central Hall, Westminster. This will be followed by a family-friendly march "The Wave" around Westminster.
www.stopclimatechaos.org



1 September to 4 October – Time for Creation (Creation in Crisis)

As last year, churches throughout Europe are being asked to set aside some time during the period

from 1 September to 4 October "dedicated to prayer for the protection of Creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles that reverse our contribution to climate change." This year the theme of the period is "Creation in Crisis – A time for prayer and action" and the material looks at some of the key issues facing the UN Climate Summit in Copenhagen in December. There are very comprehensive resources available on the CTBI website page (www.ctbi.org.uk/399/) dedicated to Creation in Crisis: two sets of sermon notes (lectionary-based and thematic), material for discussion groups, action ideas, and probably one of the strongest collections of prayers and liturgies on climate assembled in English. Can your church incorporate some of this material into your services?

In particular, the Environmental Issues Network of CTBI is asking churches if they would make the final Sunday of Time for Creation, 4 October (the feast of St Francis) a "Day of Prayer on Climate Change" in preparation for Copenhagen. Resources for this will be on the CTBI website, and are already available from Operation Noah at www.operationnoah.org/resources/groups/day-prayer or Christian Ecology Link on www.christian-ecology.org.uk/day-of-prayer.htm

'Singing Waiters'

David Bartlett, Philip Humphries and Muskham Voice in Concert at Farnsfield on October 23rd, 2009

Following the success of 'Musical Vicars in Concert' at Barnbygate Methodist Church last October, which raised over £1500, David Bartlett and Philip Humphreys have been persuaded to come out of retirement once more. Joined by Muskham Voice and other artistes they will present an evening of musical entertainment to accompany a 3-course meal.

The net proceeds will go to The Nanganda Project, which supports the education of children in a poor suburb of Kampala, Uganda, many of whom are orphans. The Project, based in Farnsfield, is run by two of David's former parishioners, and operates through Uganda Development Services, a registered UK based Christian Charity. In the ten years since the launch of the Project over £50,000 has been raised.

Please join us for a good meal, enjoyable entertainment and support the education of poor children in Uganda.

Tickets, priced at £15, available from David Bartlett (01636 651582) or Sue Stevens (01623 882496).

4 Weeks of Accompanied Prayer



**Thursdays - November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th,
December 3rd 2009**

10am – 12.30

at

St Martin's Church, SHERWOOD

Led by Canon Sylvia Griffiths and Team



Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham

**On behalf of
the Spirituality Group**

Would you like to deepen your prayer life?

Would you value talking to an experienced prayer guide to help you reflect on your experience of prayer?

Would you find it helpful to know that others are making the same faith journey?

THEN THIS IS FOR YOU

- **4 weeks of Accompanied Prayer** gives the experience of being accompanied in prayer whilst continuing the routine of daily life.
- It is a way of giving yourself permission to stop in a busy life to spend time relaxing in the presence of God.
- It offers the possibility of being affirmed in prayer and to experience new or different ways of praying.

Cost - £30 to be paid on the first day
(Clergy free as part of CME)

Accompaniers

Accompaniers are people who have received training in how to help people with their prayer. They include men and women, clergy and laity and are drawn from various churches and denominations.

They offer a listening companionship, seeking to enable people to recognise and respond to God in their lives to offer help in finding ways of praying that are creative and life giving.

They do not direct, but affirm and encourage, recognising and responding to the movements of the Holy Spirit.



The pattern of the weeks will be as follows:-

- **Over weeks 1-4**, you are invited to find time for a short period of prayer each day.
- **November 5th from 10-12.00pm** – An introduction to the course and an opportunity to meet your personal accompanier (an experienced prayer guide). Some suggestions for prayer for the coming week will be given.
- **November 12th, 19th, 26th** - You are encouraged to come to St Martin's for at least one hour each morning. Up to half an hour will be spent individually with your accompanier at a mutually agreed time. You are encouraged to make use of the Church both before and after your time with your accompanier for private prayer and quiet. Refreshments will also be available throughout the morning.
- **December 3rd** – There will be an opportunity for a short final session with your accompanier and group time to bring the 4 weeks of Accompanied Prayer to closure.

Numbers are limited, so please return your booking form (included with this leaflet) as soon as possible, but definitely before **October 20th**.

Any further questions, please contact Canon Sylvia Griffiths on 0115 960 7547 or email: sylvia.griffiths@homecall.co.uk.

4 Weeks of Accompanied Prayer

Booking Form

Please reserve a place for me on the above course.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Any Special needs: _____

Cost: £30, (payable on the first day)

Please return completed form by October 20th to:

Catriona Gundlach
Dunham House
8 Westgate
SOUTHWELL
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The theft of metals from church buildings is again on the increase. Lead is particularly susceptible as it can be more easily removed than some other materials and its market price keeps going up, making it more lucrative to would be thieves. Smart water and CCTV can help prevent theft as can good housekeeping procedures. However should the worst happen and you find your church has been attacked please follow the procedures below to ensure action is taken without delay.

On finding out that your church building has had lead stolen please follow the procedure below:-

- ❖ **Contact your local police and obtain a crime number**
- ❖ **Contact your insurance company and provide them with details of the theft and the amount of damage caused.**
- ❖ **Get a local contractor in to make the building water tight and to cover the affected area.**
- ❖ **Contact your Church Architect to begin the process of assessing the damage and getting quotations for any work.**
- ❖ **Contact Jonathan Pickett in the DAC office at Dunham House (details overleaf)**

If after consultation with the DAC office and your architect, it is decided that replacing the lead with lead is the preferred or most suitable option then please follow the following procedure:-

- 1. Supply a specification (preferably from your architect) and a quotation to the DAC office or direct to the Registry department at Dunham House (details overleaf).**
- 2. Once this information has been provided a Chancellor's Licence can be issued (from the Registrar) to allow the replacement lead work to go- ahead. This can normally be granted within a few days.**

If following several thefts or theft to a very large area of the roof, you decide (in consultation with your church architect) that an alternative to lead would be best then please:-

- 1. Get your church architect to obtain quotes for lead and at least two quotes for the change of material, usually terne-coated stainless steel as this is the best alternative to lead currently on the market.**
- 2. Any change to the existing fabric of the building will require faculty approval as well as consultation with English Heritage and your local authority. A case will need to be made to justify the need for a change from lead eg how much of a visual impact will this change of material make? Is the roof/area visible from ground level? A Statement of Need and photographs may be required to send to English Heritage, the DAC and local authority.**
- 3. A faculty will then need to be applied for in the usual way and an application form requested from the DAC office.**
- 4. In extreme cases it might be possible to obtain a Chancellor's Licence.**

CONTACTS:

DAC Office: Jonathan Pickett, DAC Secretary, Dunham House, 8 Westgate, Southwell, Notts NG25 0JL 01636 817210 dac@southwell.anglican.org

Registry Dept: Chris Hodson, Registrar, and Elisabeth Crouch, Clerk to Registrar (address as above) 01636 817209 elisabeth@southwell.anglican.org

Theft of metal

The recent rise in metal prices on the international market has caused a dramatic increase in the number of roof and other metal thefts from churches, causing immense damage. In the period 2002-2007, Ecclesiastical Insurance have seen metal theft-related claims rise from 14 claims with a total value of around £11,000 to 2,300 claims with a total value around £8.5 million (figures supplied by Ecclesiastical Insurance).

The theft of lead, copper and stainless steel roof coverings, copper lightning conductors, lead and copper rainwater pipes, bronze statues, iron gates and even church bells causes irreplaceable loss of heritage and huge financial costs. Not only does the metal have to be replaced, but water ingress through a damaged roof can also cause further damage to the interior. Damage can also be caused to surrounding timber and stonework as metal is torn or cut from its setting.

In order to prevent metal theft from your church it is important to review your security measures. Obvious, low-cost measures include the removal of ladders or other items which might facilitate access and the restriction of vehicle access. Ecclesiastical Insurance have published **guidance** on security measures, as well as external signage. If you have any concerns about the installation of security measures please contact your DAC.

It is also vital to check your roof regularly, for example with binoculars from the ground, as the theft of a roof might go unnoticed during dry weather.

If metal fixtures or roofs have been stolen from your church, you should immediately alert the police and your insurance company.

In the case of replacing a stolen roof, please consider all the options. Lead has many advantages as roof material and can be fixed in such a way which makes it more difficult to remove. Your DAC will be able to advise you.

[article from the Church of England 'Church Care' website]

Further Advice:

www.churchcare.co.uk

www.ecclesiastical.com/ourproducts/insurance/churchinsurance/index.aspx

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