

Bundle Notices – January 2012

These Notices are also placed on the Diocesan website www.stalbans.anglican.org when they are issued from Holywell Lodge

Note: Next month's mailing will be distributed week beginning **Monday 23rd January 2012**

For the latest news and events around the Diocese sent every month to your computer by e-mail, subscribe to e-round. Over 1,000 people receive e-round. If you would like to join this growing list send an e-mail to comms@stalbans.anglican.org E-Round is also available from www.stalbans.anglican.org/News/E-Round

GENERAL

New Diocesan Prayer Diary

In this month's bundle you will find a copy of the new Diocesan Prayer Diary. There will be just **one** copy enclosed. If you should wish to have further copies, please refer to the Diocesan website www.stalbans.anglican.org to download the information or copy the enclosed copy.

The Diocesan Clergy Conference 2012 (25-28 June)

Equipped: Meeting the Challenge of Mission and Ministry

Details of the varied and interesting programme being planned for the Bishop's Conference for Stipendiary and SSM Clergy at Swanwick next summer are emerging. The Hayes Conference Centre will offer modern, comfortable *ensuite* bedrooms and good and plentiful food. In addition to the two top quality speakers quality speakers (Canon Prof Martyn Percy and Revd Prof Alistair McGrath) and Bible-study leader (Revd Prof Loveday Alexander), there will be a wide choice of workshops to attend and an extensive market place and bookshop to peruse. A professional musician will be assisting in the worship, and entertainment will be provided by a professional comedy magician. If you would like to run an evening fringe event, or ask a colleague to do so, please let us know. We'll keep fringe applications open until after the conference begins to encourage spontaneity.

Full details and registration forms will be sent out in March but in the meantime please book the dates in your 2012 diary and contact the conference planning group c/o the Ministry Development Office with any questions or suggestions that you may have. (Please note that the companion conference in October at High Leigh is principally for Readers, accredited lay ministers and retired clergy exercising an active ministry in the diocese with PTO.)

MINISTRY

Local Ministry Training and Support

In 2012 we will be offering two events suitable for both Local Ministry Teams and other types of teams (e.g. parish visiting, worship teams) in our parishes.

So if you are in a team of **any** kind, why not diary the following two dates and plan to join us?

Please pass it on!	
CIRCULATION LIST	
Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>
PCC Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>
Churchwarden 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Churchwarden 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
PCC Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
And finally please pin on your Notice Board	<input type="checkbox"/>

LOCAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE

This will be held on **Saturday May 19th** at St Nicholas Parish Centre, Harpenden. It will be on the theme of ***Better Together: the why and how of working in team.***

LOCAL MINISTRY TRAINING DAY

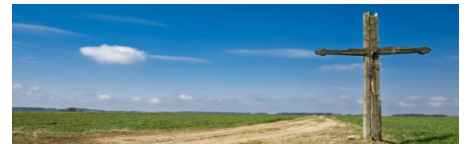
This will be held on **Saturday November 10th** at Knebworth Parish Centre. It will focus on **Older People** – both ministry to this generation and making the most of their gifts.

For more information, contact Jill Adam, Parish Development Administrator, on 01727 818141 or jadam@stalbans.anglican.org

MISSION

Living God's Love website www.livinggodslove.org

The Living God's Love website has been redesigned and is being developed as an interactive resource for parishes and other parts of the diocese as we go forward on the Living God's Love journey. *Whether you are a parish priest, Churchwarden, Treasurer or PCC member, whatever role you have in a parish or none, you can use the website to:*



- **Discover** more about Living God's Love and Mission Action Planning. See [Information](#) section for essential details and download up to date guides and other resources.
- **Find** resources and ideas for your mission and ministry. See [Resources](#). There are already several resources listed, use the category buttons to narrow you search.
- **Share** Mission Action Plans and contact parishes working on projects like yours. See [MAPs](#). We will soon be issuing codes to allow you enter you MAP online.
- **Keep up to date** with recent mission news from the Diocese and beyond. See [News](#) for the latest events and resources
- **Ask** questions, discuss issues, get answers. See [Forums](#). Start a discussion on any aspect of parish life, ministry, mission and maintenance. It's for you.

Visit the [Living God's Love website](#) and see what's there.

Lent

The **Bishops' Lent Course** and the Lent Challenge for 2012 are called *Transforming Life*. The weekly themes are based on the OT Readings for Sundays in Lent (Principal Service). The Lent Course is already available from the Living God's Love website – see link on the front page.



Thank you

Thank you to all who have helped get *Living God's Love* off to such a good start. Over 75% of parishes have now been part of an initial presentation and discussion. 50 Mission Accompaniers are working with parishes
3/Cont'd

and chaplaincies. Mission Action Plans are being produced. It's been a very encouraging year. Let's go into 2012 with confidence and imagination, prayerfully working together to Go Deeper into God, to Transform Communities and to Make New Disciples.

Have a very Happy Christmas

Lead Academy Taster Day

Thursday 19 January 2012 – St Paul's Church St Albans

Lead Academy uses a distinctive and creative approach to equipping leaders and enabling churches to fulfil their vision. We invite those who have primary leadership responsibilities along with a number of their leadership team to participate in dynamic, relational groups (communities) made up of between 5 – 8 churches. All of these will be in similar ministry contexts facing common challenges and opportunities with participants committing to the group for the duration of their involvement. This is a superb opportunity to be part of a learning journey of sharing experiences, strategic planning and mutual accountability.

Each community meets for 2 days twice a year over a 2 year period and contains high quality input from staff and guest speakers using where appropriate the latest technology to link up with contributors in different parts of the world. However much of the most significant work is achieved through the interactive small group sessions.

Many people would like to explore further before they are ready to invest in joining a Learning Community so why not join us at our Taster day for a stimulating few hours, discover more and find out if this may be just what your leadership team needs? When, where, how much?

Thursday 19 January 2012 at St Paul's Church St Albans - from 10.00 - 14.00 hrs.

Cost is just £10.00 per person which includes refreshments and a light lunch.

What will happen?

- You will get a 'taste' of what to expect in terms of style, approach, content and programme.
- Hear from leaders who have already attended a Learning Community
- Specialist input from a guest speaker
- Group exercises
- Opportunity to network with others who share similar vision and values

Please note that numbers are strictly limited and pre-registration is essential.

To book go to www.leadacademy.net/events

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE

We are doing our best to keep the Diocesan Resource Centre open during Ron Upton's absence on sick leave. If you are making a special visit, it's worth ringing the Diocesan Office reception on 01727 854532 to check that it is open.

APPOINTMENTS

Below are listed notices of appointments and vacancies. Full details of advertised posts will be found on the diocesan website. Many of those listed here are notices of vacant benefices and in some cases they are subject to pastoral reorganization. For further details contact the relevant archdeacon.

ST ALBANS ARCHDEACONRY

Benefice of Bushey

[Deanery of Watford]

- Appointment of Rector
- Population 15,549
- Electoral roll 242
- Patron – The Bishop of St. Albans
- 3 churches in urban setting
- The Parish Profile can be found on the Diocesan website:
<http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/Information/Vacancies>
- For an informal conversation contact the Archdeacon of St Albans on 01727 818126
- For application details email archdstalbans@stalbans.anglican.org, tel: 01727 818126, or write to: The Archdeacon of St Albans, 6 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RR.
- Closing date for applications: Thursday 26 January 2012
Interviews: Thursday 9 February and Friday 10 February 2012
- Enhanced CRB disclosure is required

The Benefice of St. Michael, St. Albans with St. Mary, Childwick Green

[St Albans Deanery]

- An incumbent is sought for this historic parish in St. Albans.
- The population is: 4637
- The electoral roll stands at: 285
- The Patron is: The Earl of Verulam
- The Parish Profile can be found on the Diocesan website:
<http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/Information/Vacancies>
- For an informal conversation contact the Archdeacon of St Albans on 01727 818126
- For application details email archdstalbans@stalbans.anglican.org tel: 01727 818126, or write to: The Archdeacon of St Albans, 6 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RR
- Closing date: Thursday 26 January 2012
Interviews: Thursday 23 and Friday 24 February 2012
- Enhanced CRB disclosure is required

HERTFORD ARCHDEACONRY

Benefice of Holy Trinity Stevenage

[Deanery of Stevenage]

Population	11833
Electoral Roll	226
Patron	The Bishop
Number of Churches	1
Setting	Urban

This post will be advertised in the New Year on the Diocesan website.

The benefice has a deployment indicator of 154 where the benchmark for a full-time stipendiary incumbent is 125 projected for the year 2011, rising to 135 for the year 2016

Further details contact: Archdeacon of Hertford, Glebe House, St Mary's Lane, Hertingfordbury, Hertford SG14 2LE. Telephone: 01992 581629; Fax: 01992 535349
E-mail: archdhert@stalbans.anglican.org

Mailing contents

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| ▶ New Diocesan Prayer Diary: January to March 2012 | Full circulation |
| ▶ January Bundle Notices | Full circulation |
| ▶ January Directory Updates | Incumbents, PiC & TVs only |
| ▶ Living God's Love: One Year In – Bishop's DVD | Circulation to Incumbents; PiC & TVs |
| ▶ Letter and transcript regarding the Bishop's DVD | Circulation to Incumbents; PiC & TVs |
| ▶ Copy of annual letter to PCC Secretaries | Circulation to Incumbents, PiC & TVs |
| ▶ Clergy Counselling Service leaflet | Clergy only circulation |
| ▶ Grants information leaflet | Full circulation |
| ▶ Alban Pilgrimage flier | Full circulation |
| ▶ Local Ministry Update | Full circulation |

Arun Kataria,
Diocesan Communications Officer
01727-818110;
E-mail: comms@stalbans.anglican.org