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To: All ordained ministers, Bishop's Council, Deanery Lay Chairman and Deanery Information Officers.

Please circulate this to anyone else who might be interested.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

This week, the Church remembers Denys, Bishop of Paris and Martyr, and his Companions (250), on Tuesday 9th of October; Paulinus, Bishop of York and Missionary (644) on Wednesday 10th; Ethelburga, Abbess of Barking (675) on Thursday 11th; and Edward the Confessor, King of England (1066), on Saturday 13th.

Also this week: World Post Day, Tuesday 9th, (ironically?) celebrating postal services around the world; and World Mental Health Day on Wednesday 10th.

This Sunday is the Nineteenth After Trinity.

METAL-THEFT AWARENESS

Please find at the **end of** this bulletin the EIG Theft of Metal Guidance leaflet. This gives very important and timely advice on how to protect against the rash of metal theft.

BISHOP'S YOUTHWORK DINNER

Attention ALL those working with young people in the Diocese...Bishop David would like to invite you to supper on the 14th of November at 7pm, and hear about your work and aspirations. Claire Estall, DYO, says it's a fantastic opportunity. See link for more info
<http://www.saled.org/news.php?action=info&id=526>.

US BISHOPS AGREE

THE House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church in the United States, meeting in New Orleans, finally produced its long-awaited response to the demands of the Anglican Primates late on Tuesday afternoon. The statement confirms the Church's moratorium on the appointment of any more non-celibate homosexuals; and it reiterates the Church-wide ban on formal blessings for same-sex couples. The statement also outlines a scheme for offering alternative episcopal oversight to dissentient parishes.

ARCHBISHOP RETURNS FROM MIDEAST

The Archbishop of Canterbury has returned from a visit to Armenia, Syria and Lebanon. In a gruelling schedule of visits, meetings and services he spent time with senior politicians, Church leaders, senior Muslim clerics, refugees and communities and community projects ranging from prison inmates and chaplains in Armenia, to people with learning disabilities living in a L'Arche community in Damascus, and first, second and third generation refugees living in one of the Palestinian camps outside Beirut.

SYNOD ONLINE CHAT

The Church of England's General Synod is repeating last year's 'virtual question time', highlighting the growing ways in which the Church is using the web and other electronic communications media. Further information from Louis Henderson (020 7898 1326).

PAROCHIAL FEES ORDER 2007

The Archbishops' Council has approved the Parochial Fees Order 2007, as amended by the General Synod in July. The Order is due to be laid before Parliament this week. If approved by Parliament, the Order will come into effect from 1 January 2008. Fees Tables will be distributed in early December, after the end of the statutory period the Order has to be laid before Parliament. For the proposed table, see: www.cofe.anglican.org/lifeevents/fees

WOMEN PRIESTS CONFERENCE

The organization "Awesome", a network of female priests, are holding their next annual conference Inspire in June of 2008. For more details on the organization and on booking the event, see www.awesome.org.uk.

FRESH EXPRESSIONS SHARE ONLINE

Share is a new interactive resource for people leading and supporting fresh expressions of church, from Fresh Expressions and Church Army. It is brand new, freely available and waiting for you to add questions and comments. Find it online at www.sharetheguide.org.

DORCHESTER THEOLOGY

Next meeting of Dorchester Deanery Theology Group is 7.30pm **Monday 12 November** at St. George's church hall, Dorchester. This has been changed from the date shown in the September Sarum Link. Further details contact Revd. Richard Betts richardbetts42@aol.com.

DEVIZES DEANERY SYNOD

The Devizes Deanery Synod, on the 18th of October, will be taking place at Bishop Canning's School, at 7.00pm. Many apologies for the mixup.

COLLEGE DIRECTOR MOVES

Sarum College's Director of Development, Stephen Hackett, has been appointed Principal of Denman College, Oxfordshire. Denman College is the national residential education centre of the National Federation of Women's Institutes (NFWI). Sarum College thanks Stephen for all his excellent work.

ECUMENICAL WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Danny Thomas writes: I am pleased to announce our 33rd annual Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage, which next year starts in Evesham and ends in Salisbury; walking via Chipping Camden, Stow on the Wold, Northleach, Cirencester, Malmesbury, Avebury, Chippenham, Devizes, Pewsey, and Amesbury (subject to confirmation). For more information, contact Danny @ 01737 356392, 07778 052437 or dthomas@pilgrimsprogress.org.uk.

NEW VICAR LICENSED

The Rev Jim Findlay was licensed as Priest in Charge at St Mark's Church and Salisbury Deanery Schools Chaplaincy Officer Wednesday 19 September 2007. Jim has come to Salisbury from Gillingham, Kent.

POLAND DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE

Over the last few years the Diocesan CMD programme has included a series of conferences in Holland, Belgium and the UK under the title "A Soul in Europe". The purpose of these conferences has been to explore the relationship between faith communities, and the political and social developments taking place in the European Union. Please invite anyone who you think would be interested in this conference to get in touch as soon as possible with Yvonne Guerin at Bath and Wells. Tel. 01749 685116 or e-mail yvonne.guerin@bathwells.anglican.org.

PARISH EVENTS

Chase Benefice, Dorset

"Salisbury-Sudan Medical Link Christmas Fair"

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 24TH 2007 @ 11am-2pm

For the past ten years, the Chase Benefice in Dorset has used its annual Christmas Fair to raise money for various causes – most notably the Medical Link the Diocese has with the Sudan. Do come along and help out such a worthy cause. The event will take place at the Anne Biddlecombe Hall, Tarrant Keyneston, Blandford.

St Mark's Church, St Mark's Avenue, Salisbury

"The St John Singers"

SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER @ 7.30pm

Come and hear this popular local choir sing a varied programme of secular and sacred music. All proceeds go to the 50:50 fund. Tickets £7.50 (£5 concessions) - includes light refreshments. Tickets available from: Jean Lucas 01722 333641 (daytime) or Jill Browning 01722 331317 (evenings) or on the door.

Edington Priory Church

"Going Gospel"

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27TH 2007 @ 11am-4pm

Singing Workshop led by Jo Sercombe, Director of the Bath Community Gospel Choir. Tickets £10 from Frances Webb, 830540. There will be a short performance from 15.30 – friends and family welcome.

St Paul's, Salisbury

"Vicar of Baghdad comes to Salisbury"

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10TH 2007 @ 10.30am-2.30pm (Coffee at 10am; bring your own lunch.)

Canon Andrew White will be speaking about the subject "Iraq; Searching for Hope." He is popularly known as the "vicar of Baghdad" through his ministry at St George's, the only Anglican church in the city. He is also the president and chief executive officer of the Foundation for Reconciliation in the Middle East and used to be the director of the Centre for International Reconciliation, based at Coventry Cathedral. He has authored two books "Iraq: People of Promise and Land of Despair" and "Iraq: Searching for Hope".

St Mary's, Marlborough

"A Brush With Faith"

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD 2007 to SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2007

St Mary's church in Marlborough is the location for 'A Brush with Faith' – an exhibition of modern Christian art from the Methodist Church Collection. The collection featuring 42 works by many artists of international renown including Graham Sutherland, Elisabeth Frink, Edward Burra and Eric Gill, has been shown in many cathedrals in this country and has toured abroad. For more details, visit www.marlboroughanglicanteam.org.uk or telephone 01672 512357.

CATHEDRAL EVENTS

Concert at Halstock

The boys and men of Salisbury Cathedral Choir travel to the edge of the Salisbury diocese on Monday 19 November to give a fundraising concert of Great Cathedral Music at 7.30pm in and for St Mary's Church, Halstock, near Yeovil.

Junior Choir Concert

The newly established Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir gives its very first concert in the cathedral on Saturday 17 November at 12.15pm. All are welcome to the concert on 17 November at 12.15pm; admission is free. For further information, call Sarah Flanagan on 01722 555148.

More "Art for Adults"

Delighted with the popularity of the previous one-off courses, a planned range of activities including calligraphy, flower arranging, jewellery-making and photography is being offered from this October through to July 2008. For a copy of the new 'Art for Adults' leaflet, information on courses, or the 'Big Draw' event please call 01722 555180 or email education@salcath.co.uk.

Copy for the e-Bulletin should be sent to salisbury@media33.co.uk by no later than Monday of each week.

Visit the Diocesan website to keep up to date

www.salisbury.anglican.org

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Appendix

EIG Theft of Metal Guidance

Lead prices rose by 61% during 2006 and have tripled since mid 2003. This increase in the value of lead, with scrap dealers offering in the region of £800 per tonne, has led to a dramatic increase in the incidence of thefts of metal, primarily lead, but also other metals. Copper roofs have been stripped and lightning conductors stolen. The following guidance will, hopefully, be of use in deterring thieves targeting lead or other metals forming part of the fabric of your church.

- Be especially vigilant - encourage occupants of nearby properties to maintain surveillance of church.
- Protect the lower level of lightning conductors by encasing them in a sheath making removal more difficult.
- Consider removal of bushes which may impede surveillance of the area.

- Ensure regular checks are made of the roof. Often, until it rains you will never know the lead or other roof covering has been stolen.
- Anti-vandal/climb paint (which does not dry and remains viscous) should be applied to drainpipes and roof guttering to restrict access to the roofing. Care should be taken to ensure that the paint is not applied below a height of 2.0 metres. A warning notice should be used to indicate anti-climb paint has been applied.
- Remove ladders to a secure area especially when building works using scaffolding are being carried out. Ensure that wheelbarrows and other means of transporting stolen materials are kept locked away in outbuildings or in the church building. The Company must be advised in advance of any building work at the church.
- Security lighting and Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) can act as deterrents to thieves.
- Consider installing intruder alarm protection to external roof areas, and any scaffolding using environmental class 4 detectors, preferably with automatic transmission of alarm signals to a 24 hour manned alarm receiving centre, certified to BS5979. Audible only signalling may be acceptable in built up areas where a reasonable level of surveillance can be expected. The system should be installed and maintained by a company on the official list of recognised firms of any UKAS accredited Inspectorate body, and should also appear on the local police force list of compliant companies. Where automatic transmission systems are being used an NSI approved professional keyholder should be appointed to respond to alarm activations.
- If replacement or repair of the roof is necessary look to use materials less attractive to thieves in place of lead. Consideration should be given to the use of stainless steel or products such as "Uginox" subject to the agreement of the Church Architect, faculty approval from the Chancellor and any necessary approval or advice given by the Council for the Care of Churches, English Heritage/CADW, the Amenity Societies and other conservation bodies. Planning permission may also be required in some circumstances.
- Steps should be taken to restrict any vehicular access into the churchyard.

For more details, see <http://www.ecclesiastical.com/>.