



BISHOP'S NOTICES

to Congregations from the Bishop of Edinburgh

1 August 2008

Message from Lambeth

Bishop Brian has written from the Lambeth Conference to say that there are a number of significant meetings taking place over the final weekend of the Lambeth Conference, and he has asked that the Conference be remembered in everyone's prayers during this period.

The Lambeth Conference Prayer:

Pour down upon us, O God, the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that those who prepare for the Lambeth Conference may be filled with wisdom and understanding. May they know at work within them that creative energy and vision which belong to our humanity, made in your image and redeemed by your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Resignation

The Revd Canon Tim Morris is retiring as Rector of the Good Shepherd, Edinburgh wef 3 August 2008.

Diocesan Office Closed

The diocesan office at 21a Grosvenor Crescent will be closed all day on **Friday 8 August**. The answer phones will be switched on.

What will be the outcomes of the Lambeth Conference?



Bishop Brian and his wife Lissa, along with all the other bishops and their wives from the SEC, are now at the Lambeth Conference and the Spouses' Conference. No one knows what the outcomes will be, but no doubt there will be much to discuss, so.....

Come and hear reports from Bishop Brian and Lissa, responses from different points of view and join in discussion at a day conference on

Saturday 13 September

10am – 3pm

Holy Trinity

Haddington

To book a place please email adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org or phone 0131 538 7033

Wonderful World @ Dynamic Earth Sunday 5th October 2008 10.30 - 4.30

What's it all about??

This event grew out of discussions about taking a diocesan scale children's event out of the church hall environment and into a venue that was exciting and had great facilities.

The recently formed Edinburgh Ecumenical Children's Ministry Forum got behind the idea and were keen to open the event up to children from all denominations in the area .

The **Wonderful World** day is aimed at children in primary 4 -7 and has four distinct parts to it.

- Worship (led by Fischy Music Team)
- A tour of Dynamic Earth celebrating all the contrasts of our planet
- An Ocean's workshop led by the Education department at Dynamic Earth
- Big crafty stuff giving a chance to express the themes of the day



We are holding a percentage of tickets per denomination until September at which time the remainder will be sold "first come, first served". **So now is the time to get your request for tickets in (£5 per head).**

All details can be found at www.wonderfulworldevent.info



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'Keeping the Faith in Sexual Health?'

Friday 22 August at 12.30pm

Committee Room 1, Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh

Since its publication in 2005, *Respect and Responsibility*, Scotland's first sexual health strategy, has provoked widespread discussion; eliciting a variety of responses ranging from high praise to controversy and criticism. One issue in particular, the role which faith and religious belief plays in sexual health promotion, has permeated much of the public discourse on this issue: generating both column inches and divided opinions. But is the perception of sexual health and faith as two opposing forces, a true one? And with rising rates of sexually transmitted infections, can Scotland afford to agree to disagree on the issue?

In this event Patrick Harvie MSP, Convenor of the Parliament's CPG on Sexual Health, is joined in conversation with leading theologian [Professor Philip Sheldrake](#) to explore the issues of faith and sexual health. The event is open to the public and will include a question and answer session.

Tickets are free and available online from the Festival of Politics website

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