



## **BISHOP'S NOTICES**

*to Congregations from the Bishop of Edinburgh*

**28 November 2008**

### **Winner of Christmas Card Competition**

Bishop Brian judged the children's Christmas card competition this week. The standard of entries was extremely high and it was difficult to choose just one winner, but we are delighted to announce that this year's card will feature the design of Charlotte Adkins Wilson, aged 4, from St. Baldred's, North Berwick. The entries are all on display in the Diocesan Office and some will appear shortly on the website. Many thanks to all those who took part.

### **CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

#### **GIFTS IN SHOEBOXES FOR YOUNG HOMELESS PEOPLE IN EDINBURGH ~ COLLECTION DATE 21 DECEMBER**

The Outreach group at St Mary's Cathedral is appealing again this year for Christmas gifts for distribution to the young homeless people who use the services of the Rock Trust. The young people – male and female - are mainly in the 16 – 19 years age group but the age range goes up to 25 years. Most of them have no family support or connections and many will not receive any Christmas presents. These young people often are quite troubled and have little self esteem. Their feelings of isolation and rejection are heightened at this time of year. The Cathedral can help these young people to feel that someone cares about them at Christmas by making up shoe boxes of small items which are passed to the Rock Trust staff to give out to the people using their services.



We are asking you to bring along a shoe box – preferably wrapped in festive paper – and filled with small (unwrapped) items such as socks, gloves, toiletries (no razors or aerosols), puzzle books, pens, sweets. The boxes should be clearly labelled as to suitability i.e. male or female. The Rock Trust staff will collect the boxes on **Sunday 21 December after the 10.30am service**. Please bring your box then or hand in to the vergger or the office during that week.

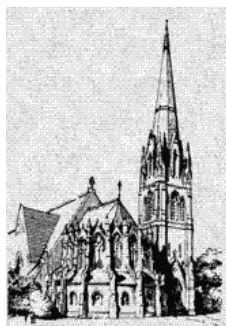
Meanwhile we thank you for your support and generosity.

*This Christmas once again we ask  
For your assistance in the task  
Of making up boxes of Christmas cheer  
To give young people a gift from here*

#### **Soldier Meets Citizen: The Ethics of War in Theory and Practice**

General Sir Mike Jackson, GCB, CBE, DSO, DL in debate with Professor Cecile Fabre and Professor Oliver O'Donovan. This event celebrates the launch of the Just World Institute. Reserve a place at <http://www.sps.ed.ac.uk/jwi/>. [Just World Institute]

Thursday 4 December ~ 6.00 - 7.30 pm, George Square Lecture Theatre.



## CHRIST CHURCH MORNINGSIDE

### FIFTH SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday 30th November: 4.00pm Choral Evensong for Advent Sunday  
5.00pm Lecture for St Andrew's Day in Church Centre  
Richard Holloway: "Creative Disloyalty"

*Please note the previously advertised course on Mark's Gospel, due to begin on Tuesday 25 November, has been cancelled.*

## CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PRINCES STREET, EDINBURGH EH2 4BJ

### Associate Rector (Congregational Life) (Part-time appointment)

This is an opportunity to work as part of a team within a busy city centre church. The Associate Rector will bring dynamic and focused leadership to the pastoral and faith development dimensions of congregational life. This work will encompass all members of the congregation, including the very young and very old.

The successful candidate is likely to be a graduate in theology with at least three years experience of stipendiary ordained ministry.

- Standard stipend +housing allowance, pro rata

Job description and application forms are available from the Church Office (email [stjohnsoffice@btconnect.com](mailto:stjohnsoffice@btconnect.com) tel: 0131 229 7565). Anyone interested in the post is welcome to discuss it informally with the Rector, The Revd. Dr John Armes (tel: 0131 225 5004).

### A day of reflection and discussion open to all

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Saturday 24 January 2009

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

In St Margaret's RC church hall  
Main Street, Davidson Mains  
Edinburgh EH4 5AQ

Prior booking is required:

Please register by **Thursday 18th Dec** with secretary Jennifer Myles  
RE Office, Gillis Centre  
100 Strathearn Road, EDINBURGH EH9 1BB

or

phone: 0131 623 8912 or email [jennifer.myles@staned.org.uk](mailto:jennifer.myles@staned.org.uk)

Cost £9:00 (concessions available)

Tea/coffee and light lunch included

(Cheques payable to Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh)