

# *The Communicant*

News and Notices for the Diocese of Edinburgh



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## NOTICES

### **TREASURERS Pensions auto-enrolment final staging dates**



The final group of Charges had their pensions auto-enrolment staging date on 1 August 2017. On that date a pension scheme needed to be in place, and all paid staff needed to be assessed and have received the appropriate letter.

Those earning £833 per month must be enrolled in a pension scheme (which may be the SEC scheme); those earning £490 are entitled to opt-in to a pension scheme with employer contributions; those below may join a scheme but no employer contributions are required. A declaration of compliance then needs to be completed for the Pensions Regulator.

Further guidance, including template letters, is available at:

<http://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/appointments-and-employment/pensions-automatic-enrolment/>

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## News from the Bishop's Enabler of Mission

**Only one more Growing Together Roadshow to go!** The previous three have been really

encouraging and enjoyable for all who came, so please join us at the **LAST ONE at St Peter's Lutton Place on 2nd September. YOU DO NEED TO BOOK IN** for catering and planning purposes, either by email at [growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org](mailto:growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org) or online at <http://growingtogetheredinburgh.bpt.me/>

# Growing Together

**STOP PRESS - For those with young children, we are offering child care for those under 12 at the St Peter's Roadshow, but you must book children in by 27th August.**

Also check out the fabulous ideas for getting children and young people involved <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Growing-Together-Childrenand-Young-People-Resources.pdf>

If we are honest, many of us find sharing our faith with those outwith the church rather scary and are a bit afraid of the idea of evangelism. For some encouragement, ideas and inspiration why not join me for an evening called **"Disciples Making Disciples"** with Matt Summerfield (*from Urban Saints*) at **Grangemouth on Thursday 31st August at 7:30pm.** (AGH Christian Fellowship, Myreton Road, Grangemouth, FK3 0BD). He is an excellent speaker and I can highly recommend this event, thoroughly worth the cost of £3.78. For more details or to book online visit [www.urbansaints.org/dmdgrangemouth](http://www.urbansaints.org/dmdgrangemouth) or speak to Annie in the office (0131 346 9089).

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## News from the Youth and Children Officer

The latest Youth and Children newsletter can be found [here](#). This edition Features:

- An update on the play church at Pentecost
- Great things that are happening in churches around the diocese
- A round-up of current events and resources
- Important guidelines for using photographs of children in your Church's publicity



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## Adventures in Faith

*No Further News at Present*



## CHANGES & APPOINTMENTS

None this time

## DIARY

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Diocesan Buildings Committee meets today
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Information & Communications Committee meets today
<b>25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Ordinands Retreat at Alnmouth

### *Advance Notices:*

<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Growing Together Roadshow, St Peter's Hall , Lutton Place , Edinburgh
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Diocesan Synod (evening) St Michael's Parish Church, Linlithgow
<b>Saturday 17 March 2018</b>	Diocesan Synod at St Paul's & St George's, Edinburgh

# Growing Together

Have you heard about this exciting adventure? Growing Together is a journey we are all embarking in the Diocese of Edinburgh to explore and articulate what God

is calling us to be and do, at this time for this generation. As church communities we aspire to be faithful followers of Christ in our worship, service and witness, and so with constant change all around it is an opportune time to discern our vision and key priorities to give a clearer focus for the days ahead. Our hope is that this process of Growing Together will help us all develop stronger relationships, deeper faith, confident witness, wise stewardship and effective resources.

We are inviting every charge and all members of our diocese, both lay and clergy, to join in this journey. Bishop John will be travelling the Diocese and we would love you to come with others from your church to one of the roadshow events in four different locations. Come and contribute to the discernment of our vision and priorities. We want to reflect together on the adventure so far and listen to your local stories about what is working well in your church. We will spend time in worship and prayer, discussion and lunch. These events will be interactive, fun and inspiring as we discover and celebrate what God is doing amongst us.

Roadshow dates and venues are below and bookings are already open using the special email address - [growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org](mailto:growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org)

Sadly the Edinburgh one has had to change, so more details will be available after Easter. Do keep an eye on the website here - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

I hope you might be aware that we also have a Diocesan prayer and some suggested liturgy resources to encourage us all to be attentive to God in our corporate and private devotions throughout this process. At the Synod the Bishop commended the use of the dismissal in our worship these the coming months. Hard copies of these resources can be posted from the office and they are downloadable in word or pdf from the website to insert into your liturgies - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

Please do publicise this journey of Growing Together as widely as possible to your vestry, congregations and even family and friends. There are some resources to help with this also on our website, for your magazine and notice sheets.

Like all adventures there will be surprises along the way. How will YOU be involved and inspired?

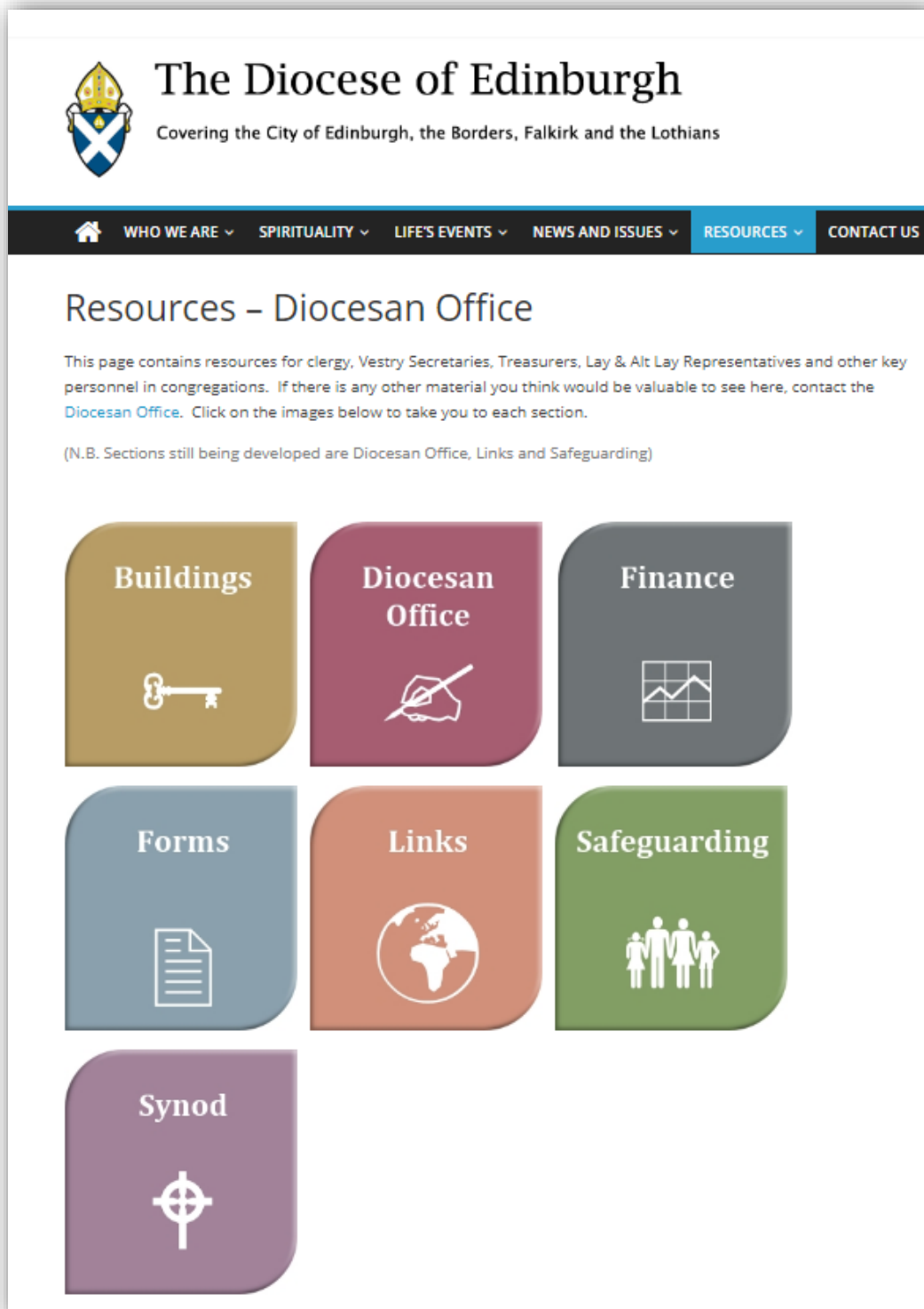
A vertical poster with a light green background. At the top, the title 'Growing Together Roadshow' is written in a large, bold, green font. Below the title, the text 'Come and explore together how our churches can grow, change and flourish.' is written in a smaller green font. Underneath, there are two columns of text: 'Reflections from Bishop John' and 'Shared Lunch' in the first column, and 'Celebratory Eucharist' and 'Group Discussion' in the second column. Below this, the text 'We want to hear stories from your church, and share good news about how your church is moving forward.' is written. Then, 'Join the adventure of Growing Together in the Diocese of Edinburgh' is written in a bold green font. Below that, a line of text says 'Four different Roadshow locations across the Diocese, choose a venue or date as suits you'. A table follows with four rows, each representing a location and date. The last row for Edinburgh has a small blue and white shield logo with a cross and a crown. At the bottom, contact information is provided: 'To book a place, or for more details contact: Edinburgh Diocesan Office 0131 538 7033 growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org'.

Location	Date	Time	Postcode
Bo'ness	Saturday 27th May	10.30am - 2.30pm	EH51 9AZ
Galashiels	Saturday 24th June	10.30am - 3.00pm	TD1 3HS
Haddington	Saturday 1st July	10.30am - 2.30pm	EH41 3EX
Edinburgh	Saturday 2nd Sept.	10.30am - 2.30pm	EH8 9PE


# NEW DIOCESAN WEB PAGE

A new page has been developed by the office, to bring together all the administrative and governance resources into one place. More material will gradually be added, but we hope that this will become an easily-navigable place for you to find as much information as possible, without having to ring or email the office – though we are still very happy to speak to you! We just want to save you time, and make things more convenient for you. Have a browse under **"RESOURCES"** on the front page menu, or via:

<http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources-diocesan-office/>



The screenshot shows the website for The Diocese of Edinburgh. At the top is the diocesan crest, a shield with a cross and four lions, topped with a mitre. To the right of the crest is the title "The Diocese of Edinburgh" and the subtitle "Covering the City of Edinburgh, the Borders, Falkirk and the Lothians". Below this is a dark navigation bar with white text and dropdown arrows for: WHO WE ARE, SPIRITUALITY, LIFE'S EVENTS, NEWS AND ISSUES, RESOURCES (highlighted in blue), and CONTACT US. The main content area is titled "Resources – Diocesan Office". Below the title is a paragraph: "This page contains resources for clergy, Vestry Secretaries, Treasurers, Lay & Alt Lay Representatives and other key personnel in congregations. If there is any other material you think would be valuable to see here, contact the [Diocesan Office](#). Click on the images below to take you to each section." Below this is a note in parentheses: "(N.B. Sections still being developed are Diocesan Office, Links and Safeguarding)". The page features seven large, rounded rectangular buttons with icons and text: "Buildings" (key icon), "Diocesan Office" (quill pen icon), "Finance" (line graph icon), "Forms" (document icon), "Links" (globe icon), "Safeguarding" (family icon), and "Synod" (cross icon).


 **The Diocese of Edinburgh**  
Covering the City of Edinburgh, the Borders, Falkirk and the Lothians


WHO WE ARE ▾ SPIRITUALITY ▾ LIFE'S EVENTS ▾ NEWS AND ISSUES ▾ **RESOURCES ▾** CONTACT US


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**Diocesan Office**  


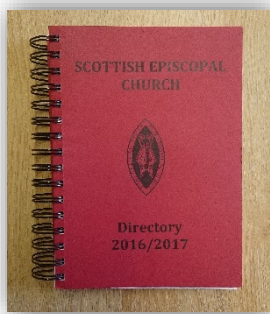
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**Synod**  




# THE 'RED BOOK'



## New Procedures

If any of the following information (name *or* contact details) changes during the year, **please let the Diocesan Office know** and **not** the General Synod Office:

- Vestry Secretary
- Treasurer
- Lay Representative
- Alternate Lay Representative
- *plus*
- Church website address
- Office or church phone number etc.

It will then be the responsibility of the Diocesan Office to inform the General Synod Office. This has been agreed with the Communications Team, and is intended to cut down the time taken in both offices in making sure that information is correct in both places. A simple email is quite enough!

[office@edinburgh.anglican.org](mailto:office@edinburgh.anglican.org) or [arae@dioceseofedinburgh.org](mailto:arae@dioceseofedinburgh.org)

*Thank you*



# DIOCESAN BUILDINGS COMMITTEE NEWS

## DIOCESE OF EDINBURGH St Andrew's Building Fund Grants

1. The works should:

- primarily be of an emergency nature
- not be covered by insurance
- be urgent or unavoidable
- be critical to the proper functioning of the church/rectory
- be a danger to the public or a Health and Safety risk

2. Applications are not required to meet all of the above criteria but relevant factors to be employed in considering applications include:

## ST ANDREW'S FUND

When St Andrew's Prestonpans closed, the proceeds of the sale of the building were invested, and the income has been set aside for the award of grants to congregations in the diocese, towards urgent building works and repairs. The monies are intended to help those charges with small

congregations which struggle to find the funds for expenditure on emergency or unexpected buildings works. £3,500 is available annually for the committee to award, and an application form can be downloaded from:

<http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources/diocesan-vestry-resources/>

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## CANON 35 – WHAT IS IT?

The SEC Canon 35 provides two things:

1. A system of control over alterations to Churches and their contents
2. A means to ensure proper consultation with members of the congregation affected and also with interested outside bodies, where appropriate.



If your congregation is planning any alterations to the church building, your Rector and Vestry need to apply for "Canon 35 Consent" from the Diocesan Buildings Committee. The main elements covered include:

- *the structure*
- *ecclesiastical furniture or ornaments*
- *monuments, murals, tablets, or decorative windows*
- *schemes of redecoration*
- *any alteration of lighting or heating system*

The committee is very keen to work alongside congregations to achieve a consent, and submitting initial ideas via a 'Pre-Canon 35 Application' can help in many cases. Forms and more information can be found under the "Forms" section at:

<http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources/diocesan-vestry-resources/>

# VACANCIES

## Director for Theological Education

Anglican Communion Office

The Anglican Communion Office, based in London is the permanent Secretariat for the Instruments of Communion of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are seeking to appoint a Director for TEAC (Theological Education across the Anglican Communion) based in London, to help build capacity for the delivery of good quality theological education for the whole people of God across the Anglican Communion. This is a five year project.

### Major responsibilities include:

- to develop existing networks through facilitating regional consultations for theological educators;
- to develop existing networks through facilitating tri-annual conferences for Anglican leaders in theological institutions;
- to develop on line and web based networks for the sharing of information and learning resources and manage the existing relevant sections of the Anglican Communion Office website;
- to coordinate the dissemination and sharing of resources for catechesis and the nurture of the whole people of God in their discipleship in the world;
- to coordinate the development of The Anglican Way Signpost series;
- support the work across the Communion on hermeneutics and the development of the materials produced by the Bible in the Life of the Church initiative;
- to oversee the translation of resources into languages of the Anglican Communion beyond English;
- to develop a shared vision for theological education and to encourage a culture of teaching and learning.

### It is desirable the successful candidate will:

- have had their work published;
- have an understanding of virtual learning and technology enhanced learning;
- have an awareness of the publishing/editing world in both the North and global South including digital and e-publishing.



### The successful candidate will:

- have an understanding of the ecclesiology of the Anglican Communion;
- have extensive experience in theological education at all levels in the Anglican Communion and of working globally and cross-culturally at a senior level. Experience of working in Africa, South America or Asia is particularly desirable;
- have working experience of different approaches to adult education as well as current challenges facing the Church in the area of Christian education;
- have a graduate qualification in theology; an earned doctorate in theology is preferred;
- be able to engage with and have experience of working collaboratively with people from a range of backgrounds and nationalities;
- be able to work independently including the ability to start and successfully complete a major project;
- be confident in working with web-based materials and in the use of IT tools;
- have the ability to communicate ideas through both the written and spoken word and to build capacity in others.

The application should include a CV a covering letter and the names of at least three referees.

This senior position will be remunerated at £50k to £55k per annum plus benefits; reasonable relocation expenses may be paid.

The last day for applications is 10 August 2017; interviews are likely to take place on 16 August by conference call and second interviews on 29 September in London.

Further information is available on our website

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/structures/secretariat/vacancies.aspx>

Applications should be sent to: [applications@anglicancommunion.org](mailto:applications@anglicancommunion.org)



# EVENTS

**ST. ANDREWS AND EDINBURGH  
ARCHDIOCESAN ECUMENICAL CORE GROUP**

Invites you to an evening meeting  
at St. Patricks in the Cowgate in Edinburgh,  
on Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm for 8.00pm.

This year, 2017, is an important anniversary of the  
Reformation so our evening will focus on:

**"The Reformation from the Catholic Perspective"**

The guest speaker will be the writer and broadcaster  
and former editor of the Catholic Herald

**Peter Stanford**

who has recently published a new work on Luther.  
Copies of this new book will be available for sale at our  
meeting.

All most welcome.

**NIGHTSTOP**  
ENDING YOUTH HOMELESSNESS THROUGH COMMUNITY HOSTING



Would you

**#TAKEINASTRANGER**

Five incredible Nightstop hosts and the young people who stay with them are featured on a More 4 documentary.

You can watch the documentary on All4 now, on [www.channel4.com/programmes/would-you-take-in-a-stranger](http://www.channel4.com/programmes/would-you-take-in-a-stranger)

The Nightstop Edinburgh service, run by the Rock Trust, aims to provide young people aged 16-25 with emergency accommodation in the homes of trained volunteer hosts. The stay will usually be for a few nights but may, depending on the circumstances, be extended for up to two weeks.

Nightstop will place the young person in a safe, family environment and work with them within our Compass project to explore the best possible options for short and long term accommodation, as well as any other support needs.

If you feel that you have space and time to become a host please contact Nightstop Development Worker Matthew Eastwood on 0131 557 4059 or 07970412595 or email [matthew.eastwood@rocktrust.org](mailto:matthew.eastwood@rocktrust.org) to discuss your interest further

[www.rocktrust.org/Nightstop](http://www.rocktrust.org/Nightstop)

# QUO VADIS, ECCLESIA?

Five centuries since the Protestant Reformation.  
Five decades since Vatican II. Now what?

**6PM** EVENSONG AND DISCUSSION  
**ST JOHN'S CHURCH**

St John's  
Festival  
Pulpit

Princes Street/Lothian Road Junction. All are welcome.

**06  
AUG**

**THERE IS MORE TO PUBLIC THEOLOGY  
THAN NAILING 95 THESES TO A DOOR**

The Church, society and the state  
The Rt Revd Dr Heinrich Bedford-Strohm  
Lutheran Bishop of Bavaria, EKD-Ratsvorsitzender

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**THERE IS MORE TO THE MEDIEVAL CHURCH  
THAN INDULGENCES**

Roman Catholic reform and the 16th century  
Dr Paul Parvis  
Lecturer at New College, University of Edinburgh

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**THERE IS MORE TO REFORMING  
THAN TABLE TALK**

On-going reformation as a challenge and opportunity  
The Rt Revd Dr Derek Browning  
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

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**THERE IS MORE TO RELIGION  
THAN THE CHURCH**

Non-Christian hopes and expectations in a diverse society  
Prof Mona Siddiqui OBE  
Professor of Islamic and Interreligious Studies, University of Edinburgh



St John's  
www.stjohnsedinburgh.org.uk

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## **History Lecture**



### **Murder and the Friars:**

#### **The building of the first 'Lamp of Lothian'**

**7.30pm, Thursday 31 August**

in Holy Trinity Church

given by Revd Canon Anne Dyer

The first mention of the friars minor (Franciscans) in Haddington is as part of the reporting of a murder in Haddington, where the friars took care of the remains of the deceased. At that time the friars were busy building their first church on the site which is now the location of Holy Trinity. This lecture describes what is known about the arrival of the friars in the town, and the building of their friary which was described as 'the Lamp of Lothian'. It will consider how the murder might have aided the development of the friary in the town.

This lecture is an edited and adapted version of the lecture given at the Conference on John Duns Scutus in Duns, October 2016.

The lecture and refreshments are free of charge.

There will be an optional retiring collection for Mary's Meals.



# HOT CHOCOLATE AT 10

## LATE NIGHT CLASSICAL MUSIC IN THE OLD TOWN

Finish off your Festival day with relaxing  
hot chocolate and music by candlelight

15 - 25 August at 10pm  
Tuesdays to Fridays

Tuesday 15 August  
*Trombone & organ*

Tuesday 22 August  
*Sirocco Winds*

Wednesday 16 August  
*Leçons de Ténèbres*

Wednesday 23 August  
*Pistons & pipes*

Thursday 17 August  
*Evening song*

Thursday 24 August  
*Sacred Stanford*

Friday 18 August  
*Nachtmusik*

Friday 25 August  
*Dixit Dominus*



Tickets £9 (£7 conc) from the Fringe  
Box Office or at the door from 9.30pm



[www.osp.org.uk/hotchocolate](http://www.osp.org.uk/hotchocolate)

Old Saint Paul's Church, Jeffrey Street

Registered Scottish charity SC017399



# CINNAMON LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Cinnamon Network are delivering a training day in your area, for individuals and teams who lead, or are interested in setting up social action community projects

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

**10:00am – 4:30pm**

**Capital City Church**

**107 McDonald Road, Edinburgh, EH7 4NW**

Together, we will explore the following four modules:

- **Leading Confidently:** How to lead your project effectively
- **Team:** How to grow, appreciate and encourage your team
- **Promotions and Partnerships:** How to effectively promote your project
- **Fundraising and Evaluation:** How to access resources and funding

**Why not bring yourself, your team and anyone else interested in developing the capacity and skills to lead more effectively?**

Drinks & Lunch will be provided on the day.  
A £5 donation towards this would be welcomed

To confirm your **FREE** place, visit our website  
[www.cinnamonnetwork.co.uk/clt/](http://www.cinnamonnetwork.co.uk/clt/)

For more information contact our **Regional Advisor**  
**Pall Singh** on 07813 038756



# St Martin's Art Exhibition 2017



**Monday 28 August -  
Friday 1 September**  
**12 noon-6pm**

**Admission Free**

**Cafe with Homebakes**

**St Martin's Community  
Resource Centre**

232 Dalry Road, Edinburgh



## **During the week**

**Monday 28 August**

**3.30pm Concert by young musicians from  
Dalry School and Tynecastle High School.**

**Admission Free.**

**Coffee Morning**

**Saturday 2 September 10am - 12.30pm**

Artwork reproduced by kind permission of Pranith Gowda,  
a student at Tynecastle High School

# *Dear Servers and Priest Associates*

*The Scottish Guild of Servers Annual Festival and AGM is being held this year on*

***Saturday 9 September in All Saints, St Andrews***

*and we are delighted that Fr Alasdair Coles has offered to host us and provide a full choir for the day.*

*The day will begin at 12 noon with a short recitation of the Rosary. The Festival Mass itself will begin at 1 pm and will be followed by the AGM. Lunch and fellowship will take place immediately after the meeting – which I am assured will be brief. The day will finish with Benediction at 4.15 pm.*

*Servers and Priest Associates should arrive no later than 12.45 pm to give them time to robe before the Mass. Servers should wear their normal serving attire.*

*Anyone attending who is not a Guild member but would wish to join please let me or your guardian know so we can organise cards and medals before the day.*

*The Secretary General, Barry Nisbet retires this year and Vicki Paterson from St Michael and All Saints will take his place. Since Vicki is from our Fraternity it would be great to have a good turn-out from our own members.*

*The Guild Festival is open to all who are interested whether they are servers or not so please feel free to invite friends and members of your congregations to join us.*

*Sheena Liddell  
Guardian of The Edinburgh Fraternity  
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Mob: 07831242819  
E-Mail: [sheena@friarbank.com](mailto:sheena@friarbank.com)*



Phil Porter is co-founder of InterPlay. He has worked at the intersection of art and church for over 40 years and is currently Minister of Art &

Communication at First Church Berkeley (CA) UCC, USA. Phil is also leading a full weekend in Edinburgh, 'The Secrets of InterPlay', 29 September - 1 October. More info: [mairi@mairicampbell.scot](mailto:mairi@mairicampbell.scot) or [www.facebook.com/InterplayScotland](http://www.facebook.com/InterplayScotland)



## Evening Taster Session

InterPlay is coming to Edinburgh with co-founder Phil Porter!

**Wednesday 27 September 7 - 9.30pm**

St Philip's Church, Logie Green Road,  
Canonmills, Edinburgh

InterPlay is a philosophy and practice that builds self-confidence, a sense of well-being and a spiritual connection with the world around you. It is about movement and stories, silence and song, ease and amusement. InterPlay is an active, creative way to change your life and change your world; come and discover your hidden resources!

This evening session is open to all but is particularly aimed at 'soul care practitioners' e.g. people from faith communities and churches, chaplains/clergy, youth/children workers, spiritual directors, counsellors and therapists etc. No experience necessary.

[www.interplay.org](http://www.interplay.org)

£15 Early booking recommended via  
[www.paypal.me/reflectivespaces/15](http://www.paypal.me/reflectivespaces/15)  
Or email below

# InterPlay

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[reflectivespaces@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:reflectivespaces@yahoo.co.uk)  
07952 198379





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## Conference: "Women and the World Church"

by J.Reynolds@ed.ac.uk

Free



REGISTER

### DESCRIPTION

A Day Conference Organised by the Centre for the Study of World Christianity and the Church of Scotland World Mission Council.

The Conference will include the Duff Lecture to be delivered by Professor Kwok Pui-Lan, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, USA, on "Women, Mission, and World Christianity"  
A light lunch will be provided. There is no charge but registration is required.

### TAGS

Things To Do In Edinburgh Conference Spirituality

### DATE AND TIME

Sat 16 September 2017  
10:30 – 16:00 BST  
[Add to Calendar](#)

### LOCATION

New College  
Mound Place  
Edinburgh  
EH1 2LX  
[View Map](#)

### FRIENDS WHO ARE GOING



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