

The Communicant

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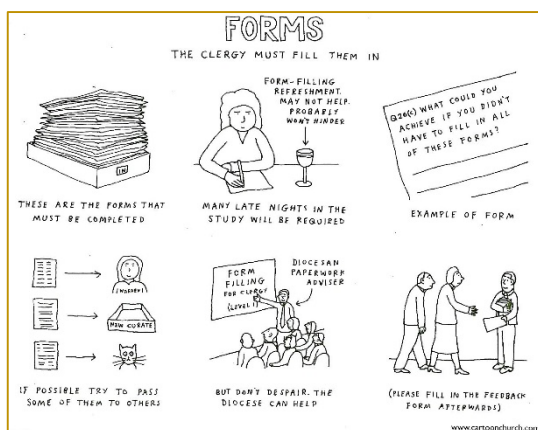
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NOTICES

INCUMBENTS, TREASURERS & VESTRY SECRETARIES

Annual Forms

You should now have received these by email *and* by post (via Vestry Secretaries). They are available online at <http://www.edinburgh.anglican.org/diocesan-vestry-resources/>



The first deadline for the *Congregational Statistics* return has passed. This is determined by Canon 50 – “not later than 10 days after the Eve of Advent Sunday”

Thank you to those who have done the Diocesan Schedule using *Google Forms* (<https://goo.gl/forms/Tch80HsXtnQt9zex1>) – this is saving a huge amount of time and work here.

Contact the Diocesan Office if you have any queries. *Thank you.*

TREASURERS

Quota

Details of quota payments due by charges for 2017 were emailed to Treasurers on 14 November. A covering letter sets out the context for quota, and invites Charge Treasurers to complete their finance schedule (which will be used to calculate quota for 2018). There is also useful guidance concerning the operation of quota and completion of the finance schedule. You can find the papers online at <http://www.edinburgh.anglican.org/diocesan-vestry-resources/>

Please direct any comments or questions to the Diocesan Treasurer

YOUTH & CHILDREN

News from the Youth and Children Officer

You can find all the latest news here:

https://edinburgh.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Winter_2016_Newsletter.pdf This edition features reports on the Sci-Fi Sleepover and the Play Church Dedication, plus news of Christmas events for children and young people across the Diocese.

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ALL

News from the Adventures in Faith Coordinator

AIF is piloting online learning in the Diocese in Lent – please find details in the [Newsletter](#). If you are interested in taking part in future online learning opportunities in your own area, or if you would like to *host* a local group in conjunction with online material we want to hear from you! We will offer more courses on different topics in response to interest. adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org

Also upcoming:

Pilgrim Course – Sharing Good Practice

Thursday 26 January 7.30 - 9pm at Diocesan Office with Revd Dr Stephen Holmes and Revd Ruth Innes.

Come to this evening to hear from those who have offered one or more Pilgrim course in their own setting. Come along if you have experiences to share. Come along if you are interested to learn how you might run a course in your own setting. For general information on the Pilgrim Course visit www.pilgrimcourse.org There is no charge but please book via this link as seating is limited: www.pilgrim26january.brownpapertickets.com

TREASURERS

New Financial Reporting Standards and Charities SORP

A number of treasurers have enquired about new financial reporting standards and the new charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which are now applicable. Specific issues may best be taken up with a Charge's auditor or independent examiner. However, we can summarise the position as follows:

Financial Reporting Standards and Charities SORPs only apply to accruals-based accounts (i.e. accounts where income and expenditure are recognised when entitlement or liability arises, not at the point of receipt or payment). Only charities whose total income is £250,000 or more are required to prepare accruals-based accounts. The Charities SORPs determine the content and presentation of the Trustee Report and Accounts of a recognised charity.

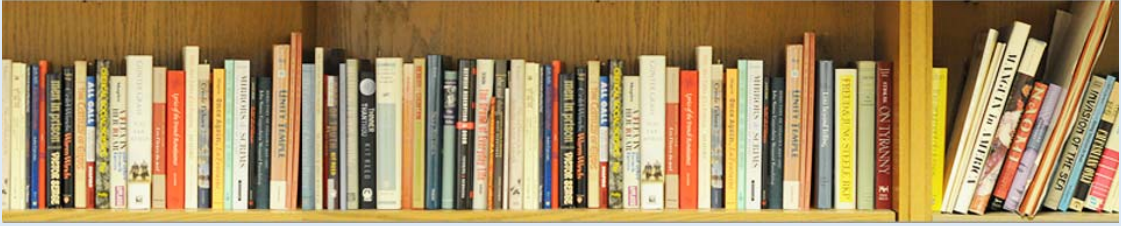

In respect of annual accounts ending before 31 December 2016, two alternative mandatory reporting standards and SORPs are provided: Financial Reporting Standard 102 and related SORP may be adopted by any charity, and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE) and related SORP may be adopted by any charity with gross income not exceeding £6.5 million. However, for subsequent periods the FRSSE and related SORP have been withdrawn, and all charities must follow FRS 102. An explanation and details can be found at: <http://www.charitySORP.org>

OSCR provides more generalised guidance on charity accounting at:

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/media/2064/2015-10-28-amended-scottish-charity-accounts-guide.pdf> and there is a useful model set of accounts on the Church of Scotland website at:

http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/resources/subjects/finance_resources#accounts

The Diocesan Treasurer (treasurer@dioceseofedinburgh.org) is happy to provide general advice on these issues.

ALL	<p>Diocesan Office Books – Collect a box on Friday!</p>  <p>Thanks to those who came to the office to browse a collection of theological, spiritual and biblical study books. Now that the S.E.I. is delivering all the Ordinands training, there is very little need for such an extensive collection to be held in the Diocese office. The sale is now over but we have quite a few books left – if anyone can help by uplifting two or three boxes of assorted books on Friday 10am-4pm (9th) - for your own use or to make available at your church - please call Simon on 0131 538 7033. A donation to the 2017 Bishop's Lent Appeal is appreciated. After this they will be passed on to Christian Aid.</p>
ALL	<p>RIP Rev Prof Duncan Forrester Founder of the Centre for Theology and Public Issues at Edinburgh University and former Principal of New College died on 29th November. Our condolences and prayers to his wife Margaret McDonald, and children Donald and Catriona and their families. A Service of Thanksgiving for his life will be held in St Michael's Parish Church, Slateford Road, EH11 1NX, on Saturday 10th December 2016 at 11 am.</p>
ALL	<p>The Edge - the next issue will include "Meet the Scientists" and David Warnes is keen to hear from lay scientists in our congregations who are willing to be interviewed. His email address is warnesdavid@googlemail.com</p>
CLERGY	<p>Supernumerary Clergy Sought for weddings at St Mary's Dalmahoy.</p> <p>Carole MacBride is the wedding coordinator St Mary's and, during the current vacancy, she writes: I take the bookings from couples, deal with the administration, usually attend the rehearsal when I am available and also try to be available on wedding days. For the past ten years, our rector undertook the majority of the weddings when couples asked for St Mary's to provide the clergy. This amounted to between 20 and 25 weddings over the course of most years. I have a number of weddings booked for 2017 which I am going to need to find clergy to cover. A fee of £100 is paid by St Mary's to clergy who undertake a wedding on our behalf. I can provide a list of the dates involved and the areas in which the couples are living once I have some names of clergy to approach. I would be happy to meet anyone interested in this opportunity to explain what would be expected of them and the help that would be given regarding the practical aspects of the day. I think that such meetings would be best held in the church so that the choreography of the service could be explained in the church setting. I look forward to hearing from whoever can be of help with this matter. Kind regards, Carole MacBride pcarolemacbride@live.co.uk</p> 
CLERGY	<p>Pulpit Exchange For three or four weeks in the Summer in Casper, Wyoming, also with house in Savannah, Georgia. Contact Rev Dr Jim Shumard jshumie@aol.com</p>

12 December	The Diocesan Buildings Committee meets today
18 December	The Bishop Licenses Rosemary Wilson as Lay Reader, St Cuthbert's, Hawick.
DECEMBER	 During December Play Church will be at: <i>St Ninian's, Comely Bank, Edinburgh</i>
	Advance notice: Spring 2017 Synod - Saturday 11 March 2017 at St Paul's & St George's Church, Edinburgh



ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT (Temporary)

6 hours per week - Voluntary or paid

We have a temporary need for some administrative support in the Diocesan Office for 3 months from December to February 2017. General duties include:

- Telephone answering
- Dealing with visitors
- Logging information in spreadsheets
- Copying/printing
- Scanning and archiving



Vacancy now filled - Thank you

We can offer a very friendly and comfortable working environment, a flexible working pattern and extremely good tea/coffee supplies! Email or telephone Simon Filsell, Diocesan Administrator, to have an informal chat, in the first instance. office@edinburgh.anglican.org 0131 538 7033

Braeburn Care Home - Seeking Company Directors

Braeburn Care Home is a small independent home for 18 residents situated by the Botanics in Edinburgh. It was originally set up under the auspices of the Scottish Episcopal Church but is now run as a company limited by guarantee with charitable status. We have received very good reviews from the Care Inspectorate and our financial position is in good order.

We are seeking two new directors. The Board meets on a quarterly basis and with the relatives at least twice a year. It is important that directors feel part of the functioning of the home and from time to time will be called upon to contribute to operational issues as they arise and to represent the home in a wider arena. The appointments are not remunerated. We would benefit from health and social care experience, financial expertise and an interest in the well-being of older people.

It is a rewarding opportunity. Please contact Maureen O'Neill, Chairperson to discuss the role in more detail.

Telephone: 0131 346 8609



International Anglican Family Network (IAFN) Coordinator

IAFN is looking for a coordinator (15 hours a week) who will support the IAFN management committee in enabling and facilitating the exchange of news, information and resources among those who have a passion for promoting the well-being of families and their communities. The post is UK-based and, for the most part, home-based. A 'hot desk' is available for occasional use at the Anglican Communion Office in Westbourne Park, London.

The International Anglican Family Network (IAFN) is one of the Networks of the worldwide Anglican Communion. For more information about IAFN, see <http://iafn.anglicancommunion.org>.

IAFN has a management committee with an international membership which meets regularly with the IAFN Coordinator in London to develop, manage and review the contribution of IAFN.

The IAFN coordinator will have:

- self motivation, and passion and energy for the aims and concerns of the Network
- an understanding and experience of creating and sustaining productive networking relationships at all levels
- demonstrable communication skills
- awareness of, and sensitivity to cross-cultural issues
- excellent IT and social media skills and an ability to use them strategically
- an ability to work cheerfully and flexibly
- an understanding of the Christian faith and its expression through the diversity of the Anglican Communion.
- DESIRABLE: experience of gathering, editing and disseminating information and resources in a variety of media

For a full job description and details of remuneration and how to apply, see <http://bit.ly/2gca1tg>.

The deadline for application is 5.00pm on 6 January. Interviews will take place at the Anglican Communion Office on 18 January 2017.

Applications should be sent to: applications@anglicancommunion.org. All applications and enquiries will be treated in strict confidence.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS



AT FORT KINNAIRD



PLEASE JOIN US IF YOU CAN!



SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER



OUTSIDE NEW LOOK at 2-3PM




(contact FK Chaplain Judith Wilkinson on 07940786935)



ST JOHN'S THEOLOGY SYMPOSIUM
10TH DECEMBER
10:00 - 16:00

GOD, MUSIC, DISCORD & SIN







PROFESSOR JEREMY BEGBIE
 DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL, USA

Jeremy Begbie is a concert pianist and theologian with an international reputation for exploring the frontier between God-talk and the arts. From the piano he will use music to investigate the mystery of sin in God's plan for the world.

AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH, PRINCES STREET

The Symposium is open to all and will include musical lectures by Professor Begbie, discussion, and lunch with refreshments. There is no charge but donations towards the cost may be given. To book a place or for more information, please contact the Revd Dr Stephen Holmes at stephen.holmes@stjohns-edinburgh.org.uk

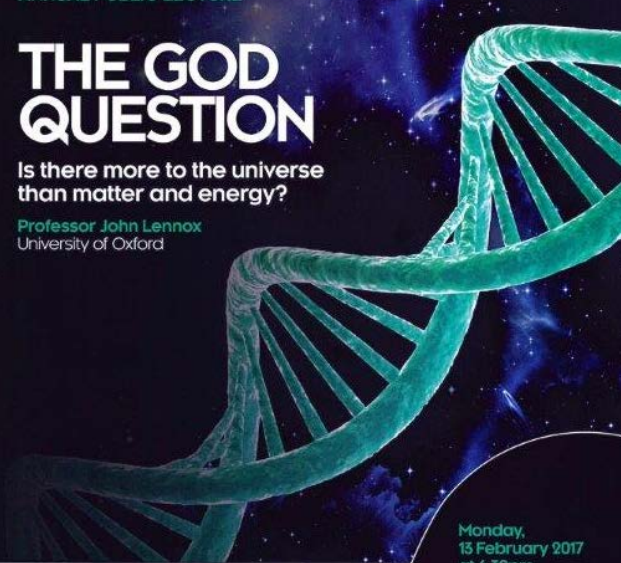
HERIOT WATT UNIVERSITY

Heriot-Watt University Chaplaincy
ANNUAL PUBLIC LECTURE

THE GOD QUESTION

Is there more to the universe than matter and energy?

Professor John Lennox
 University of Oxford




Monday,
 13 February 2017
 at 6.30pm

Refreshments
 from 5.30pm

James Watt Centre I
 - Edinburgh Campus

Registration required via eventbrite by 9 Feb 2017
<https://goo.gl/LAA2Tb>
 Or contact Ruth Duncan@hw.ac.uk
 t: 0131 451 4506

Regular buses to/from Riccarton,
 Lothian buses Nos. 25 & 34



Adventures in Faith presents:

The Torah of Moses: Formation and Theology of the Pentateuch

Saturday 14 January 2 - 4pm Diocesan Office, 21A Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh

The Pentateuch - the first five books of the Hebrew Bible - guided the people of Israel in their relationship with God. This fascinating document tackles questions such as election, salvation, and



punishment. The event will introduce key texts and topics, showing how the ancient writers laid the literary and theological foundations of later world religion. It was out of their faith and knowledge of God that the Hebrew Bible emerged. Our presenter will engage us in discussion about these ancient texts and give an understanding of their historical context.

With Dr Anja Klein, Chancellor's Fellow in Biblical Studies, Edinburgh University School of Divinity.

Previous workshops: "It was excellent", "Anja was really

knowledgeable and informative - such a huge subject in such a short afternoon!" This is an Adventures in Faith event. £5, please book via www.torah14january.brownpapertickets.com

2017 Edinburgh Enriching Ministry through

Pastoral Supervision



The Institute of
Pastoral Supervision
& Reflective Practice

Pastoral Supervision offers professional regeneration and renewal for carers and improved delivery for those with whom they work.

The Institute of Pastoral Supervision & Reflective Practice www.ipsrp.org.uk offers a soulful incremental approach to learning from introductory workshops to professional diplomas in pastoral supervision. All courses can be taken for credit (with assessed assignments) or simply for ministerial development (no assignments).

Supervision & Mission 13 Jan & 10 Feb

Two day introductory workshop exploring pastoral supervision and its place within ministry and mission; differences between supervision, line management, spiritual accompaniment and personal therapy; frameworks for supervising others; opportunities for soulful supervision within the course group

Toolkits & Frameworks 10 Mar & 28 Apr

Two day course exploring contracting; power and vulnerability in supervision; core skills & competencies; eliciting, tracking and exploring the supervisory focus; getting beneath the stories practitioners tell to the heart of the matter; building a bridge from reflection back to practice

Practicalities

Venue: St Philips's Church, Logie Green Road, Canonmills, Edinburgh EH7 4EZ

Times: 1000-1600

Costs: £70 per day

Course Tutor – Michael Paterson

Michael is Co-Director of the Institute and has a background in parish ministry, healthcare chaplaincy, psychotherapy, spiritual direction and theological education. He is the lead trainer for the NHS Scotland initiative in Values-based Reflective Practice. His published works include *Pastoral Supervision: A Handbook* (SCM 2015) and *Enriching Ministry through Pastoral Supervision* (SCM 2014).

Further information from michael@ipsrp.org.uk

Taken together Supervision & Mission and Toolkits & Frameworks meet the training requirements for accreditation as a General Accredited Supervisor with APSE (The Association for Pastoral Supervision and Education).

Certificate in Pastoral Supervision

26 May, 23 Jun, 22 Sep & 20 Oct

This professional training course uses Hawkins and Shohet's seven process model of supervision to pay attention not only to the 'then and there' of the pastoral scenario (ie the material supervisees bring to supervision) but also to the 'here and now' of the supervision session (in the dynamics between supervisor and supervisee). The course attends to context and culture in supervision; stakeholders and organisational dynamics; unspoken and unconscious factors in supervision; collusion, avoidance and sabotage; reporting and assessing processes.

Upon completion of this course participants will have met the training requirements for accreditation as a Senior Accredited Supervisor with APSE.

Diploma in Pastoral Supervision

10 Nov, 15 Dec, 12 Jan & 9 Feb

This professional course is for those with oversight of others and focuses on four key areas: theological reflection; integrative practice; team and group supervision; professional practice.