



Archdiocese of Southwark  
Commission for  
*Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation*



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**Pope Benedict's prayer for the success of the Synod of African Bishops which is being held in Rome from October 4th to 25th .**

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, Protectress of Africa,  
You have given to the world the true Light, Jesus  
Christ.*

*Through your obedience to the Father and the grace  
of the Holy Spirit*

*You have given us the source of our reconciliation  
and our justice,*

*Jesus Christ, our peace and our joy.*

*Mother of Tenderness and Wisdom,  
Show us Jesus, your Son and the Son of God  
Guide our path of conversion*

*So that Jesus might shine his glory on us. In every  
aspect of our personal, familial and social lives.*

*Mother, full of Mercy and Justice,  
Through your docility to the Spirit, the Counsellor,  
Obtain for us the grace to be witnesses of the Risen  
Lord,*

*So that we will increasingly become  
The salt of the earth and the light of the world.*

*Mother of Perpetual Help,  
We entrust to your maternal intercession  
the preparation and fruits of the Second Special As-  
sembly for Africa.*

*Queen of Peace, pray for us!*

*Our Lady of Africa, pray for us!*

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On October 10, together with the synod fathers,  
Pope Benedict will lead a special recitation of the  
Rosary "with Africa and for Africa"

**Extracts from a speech by Archbishop Celestino Migliore, permanent observer of the Holy See to the United Nations, speaking to a committee on the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons treaty.**

"After four decades of its existence and its good service to the international community, the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons remains a cornerstone of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation regimes as well as a key instrument seeking to strengthen international peace and security. The Holy See reaffirms its strong and continuing support for the NPT and calls for universal and full adherence to and compliance with the Treaty.

Last year marked the Treaty's fortieth anniversary. Unfortunately, we note today that more than 26,000 nuclear warheads remain in the world and some nations are still racing to join the "nuclear club," despite the Treaty's legally binding obligations in the areas of disarmament and non-proliferation. In light of this the validity and relevance of the Treaty remain an urgent call for all States to join their efforts in achieving a nuclear-weapons-free world.... The Holy See stresses the need for concrete, transparent and convincing steps in the fields of disarmament and non-proliferation under the guidance of the NPT principles. To build on the new momentum, the Holy See delegation is of the opinion that five objectives could be reached in a short period of time:

- The entry into force of the CTBT is essential and achievable if States are serious about their commitment to a nuclear-weapons-free world.
- The immediate commencement of negotiations of a Fissile Material Cut-Off Treaty is overdue.
- Nuclear weapon States have to interpret their military doctrines as precluding any reliance on nuclear weapons.
- The peaceful use of nuclear energy should be under strict control of the International Atomic Energy Agency. All countries should join all relevant instruments in this area. The non-proliferation side of the NPT must be strengthened through increasing the capacity of the IAEA, and through further enhancement of the Agency's safeguards system.
- With the growing need for energy, it is imperative to find common solutions and international structures for the production of nuclear fuel. In this area, the IAEA should have a leading role to ensure safety, security and fair access for all.

**October 13th Operation Noah Lecture**

7.00pm Southwark Anglican Cathedral, London Bridge, SE1 Dr Rowan Williams will speak on **The Climate Crisis: A Christian Response**  
Admission is free. If you wish to reserve a place, email to: [campaigns@operationnoah.org](mailto:campaigns@operationnoah.org) or ring 020 7324 4761

**October 17th 10.30 am**

**Aid to the Church in Need annual mass.**

Sung Latin mass in Westminster Cathedral followed by talks in the Cathedral Hall at 12 noon (tickets £5).

**October 16th to 18th StandUps Against Poverty**

A simple, brief and uplifting social justice activity shared among hundreds of thousands of pupils and teachers and parents and parishioners all across the country

**October 19th 7.30 pm**



Nobel prize winner, Professor Mohan Munasinghe, a renowned expert on energy, sustainable development and climate change, will tackle the subject of how to solve climate change and poverty together. Royal Commonwealth Society, 25 Northumberland Av., WC2N 5AP. Preceded by Progressio's AGM 6.15 to 7.15 Further details can be found at [www.cjir.org](http://www.cjir.org)  
Entrance is free. To book a ticket e-mail [denise@progressio.org.uk](mailto:denise@progressio.org.uk)

**October 18th to 25th One World Week**

"Hungry for One World". To learn more and to download materials check out the One World Website: [www.oneworldweek.org](http://www.oneworldweek.org)  
also Week of Prayer for World Peace

**November 8th 4.15 pm**

**South London Inter Faith Group**

Prayers for Remembrance Sunday at Southwark Anglican Cathedral

**November 19th Ecumenical Council for Corporate Responsibility (ECCR) open debate**

Thursday 19 November 2009, 4.30-6.15 p.m. Friends House, Small Meeting House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ. Entrance is free. For further details see [www.eccr.org.uk](http://www.eccr.org.uk)  
To book email [miles.litvinoff@eccr.org.uk](mailto:miles.litvinoff@eccr.org.uk).

**November 27th Pope Paul VI Memorial Lecture**

7.15 Emmanuel Centre, 9-23 Marsham Street SW1P 3DW. Capitalism, Catholicism and Community. Main Speaker Baroness Williams of Crosby.

For more information on these and other events please look at the National Events page on our web site [www.southwarkjandp.co.uk](http://www.southwarkjandp.co.uk) or contact the office.

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**AUTUMN ASSEMBLY 2009**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 17th  
10.30 AM - 4.00 PM

Celebrating 25 years of the  
Catholic Association for Racial Justice (CARJ)  
"The Changing Face of Britain"

&

Copenhagen Climate Change Campaign

An opportunity to meet others involved  
in Justice and Peace in the Diocese and  
exchange ideas

At St Peter's, Woolwich  
103 Woolwich New Road SE18 6EF  
300 yards from Woolwich Arsenal Station  
Direct trains from Waterloo East, London Bridge, Chatham,  
Gillingham & Dartford or DLR from Lewisham (via Bank)

Free - all welcome  
Please bring your lunch,  
Tea & Coffee will be provided from 10.15

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**Saturday October 10th  
Climate Change workshop**

10.00 am to 1.00 pm St. Saviour's RC  
Church Lewisham SE13

Come along and learn more about CAFOD's Campaign for Climate Change awareness and the upcoming G20 in Copenhagen on December 5th.

For further details of this event and how to get there contact Mary McCartney St.Saviours CAFOD Parish Contact [justiceandpeacelewisham@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:justiceandpeacelewisham@yahoo.co.uk)

**Tuesday October 13th  
Financial Capability Awareness Session**

5pm prompt to 7pm (refreshments from 4.45)  
St Teresa's Parish Centre, Morden.

In conjunction with Merton & Lambeth CAB issues pertaining to all social groups will be discussed and questions answered.

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