



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



SEDE VACANTE

JPIC Update May 2010

### **Pope Appeals for Nuclear Disarmament**

At the end of his general audience on May 5th the Holy Father reminded those present that the eighth Review Conference on the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty began work in New York on 3 May.

"Progress towards combined and secure nuclear disarmament is closely connected to the full and rapid fulfilment of the relative international commitments", said the Pope. "Peace, in fact, rests on trust and on respect for promises made, not only on the balance of power. In this spirit I encourage the initiatives that seek progressive disarmament and areas free of nuclear weapons, with a view to their complete elimination from the planet.

"Finally, I exhort all those participating in the New York meeting to overcome historical conditioning and patiently to weave a political and economic web of peace in order to help integral human development and peoples' authentic aspirations".

### **29th May - 4th June world Week of Prayer for Israel/Palestine.**

The World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel is an initiative of the World Council of Churches that offers us an opportunity to pray, learn more about how people's lives are affected and take action. More action and liturgical ideas can be found at <http://www.worldweekforpeace.org> (paper copies can be ordered from the office).

### **National Justice and Peace Network 2010 Annual Conference 'Our Daily Bread: Food Security, People and Planet'**

**16th to 18th July at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire**  
For booking forms contact the office or go to [www.justice-and-peace.org.uk](http://www.justice-and-peace.org.uk)

JPIC office will be closed from May 7th to May 18th

**PLEASE PUBLICISE OUR SPRING ASSEMBLY BY  
DISPLAYING THE POSTER OVERLEAF -  
AND COME ALONG YOURSELF.**

### **What a great choice of events**

**May 15th Meeting God in Friend and Stranger**  
a workshop on the recently published Bishops' Document on Interfaith facilitated by Dr Michael Barnes SJ Convenor of Interfaith Course at Heythrop College. 11am to 4pm at Amigo Hall (next to Cathedral)

### **May 15th National Justice & Peace Network Open Meeting & AGM**

10.30 to 4pm at the new CAFOD offices: Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, Southwark, London SE1 7JB  
A Magnificat Church for Today: New Wine in Old Wineskins Key Speaker: Frank Regan

### **May 15th STOP THE TRAFFIK is holding an interactive workshop to establish and support Active Communities against Trafficking.**

2-6pm at The Oasis Centre, 1 Kennington Road, London SE1 Opposite Lambeth North tube  
£10 fee to cover costs. E-mail [info@stopthetraffik.org.uk](mailto:info@stopthetraffik.org.uk)

### **May 15th / 16th Post Election Service and All Night Vigil**

Christian Ecology Link (CEL) is co-operating with the Campaign against Climate Change (CaCC) to send a strong message to the new government that climate change must be at the top of their priority list in the new Parliament.

SERVICE: St Martins in the Fields Church, Trafalgar Square, London, 11pm.

CANDLE LIT PROCESSION TO WESTMINSTER:  
At midnight

PRAYER VIGIL: CEL is organizing a Prayer Vigil through the night at the Lambeth Methodist Mission, Lambeth Road, SE1 7DQ. Join them there from 1.30am to 4.30am for Prayer.

**June 7th-11th June - A week with Pax Christi's Icon of Peace** at St Ethelburga's Centre for Peace and Reconciliation, 78 Bishopsgate, London EC2  
4AG Daily guided meditation with the ICON between 12.30 - 1.00pm. Evening events 9th and 10th. [www.paxchristi.org.uk](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk) for more details.

### **June 21st STOP THE TRAFFIK London Premier**

Oasis Youth Theatre cordially invite you. 7.30 at The Oasis Centre, Kennington Road, SE1 (opp. Lambeth North tube) RSVP by 21st May to 020 7921 4464 or [fran.ruiz@oasisuk.org](mailto:fran.ruiz@oasisuk.org)



# SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESAN JPIC COMMISSION

## **SPRING ASSEMBLY 2010**

**SATURDAY MAY 22nd**  
10.30 AM - 4.00 PM

**Grassroots Social Justice**  
**Speakers from some of the many organisations**  
**working quietly in our parishes.**

keynote speaker

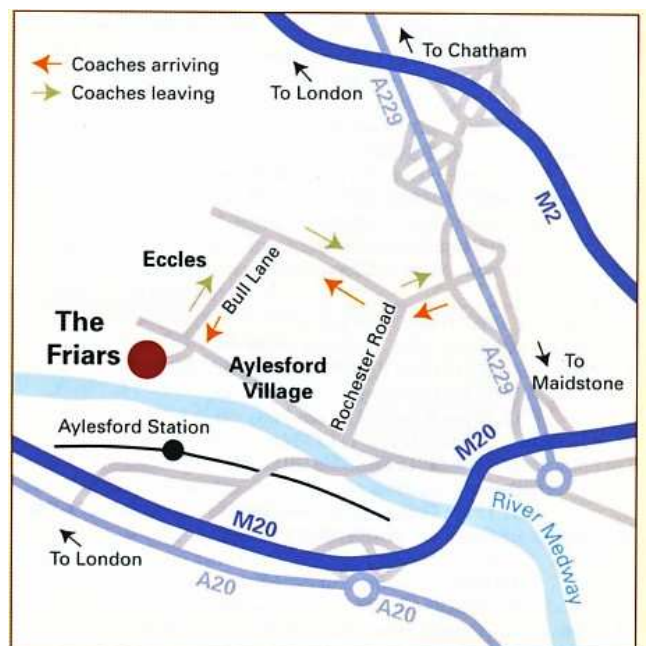
**Rt Hon John Battle**

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

**At THE NEW BARN,  
The Friars, Aylesford  
MAIDSTONE, ME20 7BX**

Free - all welcome  
**Please bring your lunch,  
Tea, Coffee will be provided**

Speakers from community based  
organisations including: Ascent, CWL,  
CAFOD, Christian Life Communities,  
Knights of St Columba and SVP.  
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By Rail: London Victoria to Maidstone East, then local bus  
155/156 from station to The Friars  
OR: London Charing Cross to Aylesford, changing at Strood,  
then 20 minute walk through village to The Friars (turn left out  
of station)