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For Your Diary

Deanery Synods 2010

• **Tue 2 March 2010**
Beer

• **Wed 16 June 2010**
Chardstock

• **Thur 25 Nov 2009**
Kilmington

7 for
7.30pm
Open
to all

Community Resource Day
4th February 2010
Old Deanery, Exeter

10am to
4pm

Links with Overseas Dioceses

Open meeting for the Liaison
Group and friends of the Dio-
cese of Cyprus and the Gulf

Sat 1st May 2010
Exeter

**DO SEND IN
DETAILS OF
YOUR DATES &
EVENTS OF
DEANERY
INTEREST.**

NEW DEANERY SECRETARY

We welcome Sarah Johnson from Colyton, who has filled the vacancy of Deanery Secretary, which Graham Jones vacated a little while back.

Sarah is married to Phil, who runs a training company which operates nationwide. They have two grown up children & recently moved from Marden in Kent to Devon to try a new way of life! Sarah is not a stranger to the area, having stayed as a teenager on a cousins farm in Southleigh, and her parents moved to Colyton from Dorset sixteen years ago.

Sarah was very much involved with her previous Church, serving on the Ministry Leadership team and Charities Group. She is a member of the Mothers Union and served as secretary for a while.

She has requested that as many members as possible of the Deanery Synod, contact her with an email address, to help make things easier and also help to reduce our postage costs! Sarah can be contacted on:

sarahjohnson48@btinternet.com

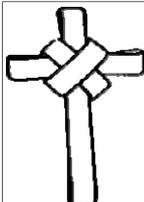
NEW CLERGY APPOINTMENT IN EAST DEVON

The Patrons, Bishop of Exeter and Uplyme & Axmouth Church are pleased to announce that subject to the statutory formalities, the Revd Gavin A Tyte has been appointed as Priest in Charge of the Uplyme with Axmouth Mission Community.

Gavin is married to Lucy and has two children. Currently Associate Vicar of Twerton in the Bath & Wells Diocese, he will formally take up his position in January.

His licensing by the Bishop of Exeter will take place on 20th December at 10am in Uplyme, followed by a reception at Uplyme Village Hall from 12.00noon onwards.

We welcome him & his family to Uplyme, Axmouth and the diocese and look forward to meeting him in due course.



PALM CROSSES 2010

Place your parish order for palm crosses from our Companion Diocese by calling 01822 616946 or fax 01822 615492. Crosses cost £12 per 100 inc P&P.

NEWS FROM OUR PARISHES DIOCESE & THE WIDER CHURCH

MELANESIA MISSION NEWS

It has recently been announced that the Bishop of Exeter has handed over chairmanship of the Melanesia Mission to the Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, the Right Revd Nigel Stock. Bishop James Mason, priest in charge of Plympton St Maurice and an Assistant Bishop in Exeter Diocese has been elected to the Trustees of the Melanesian Mission UK.

NEWS ABOUT RAINWATER

Some good news; the Government has promised to change the policy of charging for rain falling on surface areas of churches and charities buildings. Without this concession some churches face rises in "water rates" from £7 to £600. So we should all watch out for this concession.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH BAGDAHAD.

Here they have a priest whose weekly congregations usually exceed one thousand! The church has developed a clinic and provides other assistance to the worshippers. Sadly in the past few days the renewed suicide bombing clearly targeted the church. The clinic and related facilities were destroyed and much damage was done to the church. Our prayers are needed for all those who have suffered and funds will be welcome towards the cost of repairing the damage - enquiries may be made to 01297 552942.

STREET PASTORS

These schemes are appearing in many parts of the country, where church leaders, lay or ordained, contact those who may feel excluded or marginalized, in clubs or pubs or on the street, and try to meet them on their own terms. The idea started in Lambeth in 2003 and has now moved to Devon and is reported to be responsible for very impressive reductions in crime over the past half year. For further details see September 2009 issue Church of England Devon.

Christmas Tree Festival

11th to 13th December 2009,
St Michael's Church, Musbury
10:30 - 16:30

'Round the World in Twenty Trees'
Refreshments, Stall and free entry
01297 552711

"Shrinking the Footprint"

Reducing our Carbon Footprint advice available on new Diocesan website.

The website www.exeterstf.org.uk is now available. It aims to

- Gather resources in one place
- Provide information and guidance
- Share case studies around the Diocese

Please have a look and sign up for the 10:10 scheme

The Revd Nicholas Edwards



Rector of the Colyton Benefice who has been appointed to be Team Rector of the West Exe benefice comprising the four churches of St Thomas the Apostle, St Andrew,

Emmanuel, and St Philip, in succession to their recently retired Rector The Revd Alan White. This group of parishes has a population of around 20,000, whereas Nicholas Edwards' present churches are about a quarter of that figure – but they are much more widely spread across the East Devon countryside.

THANK YOU

Nigel Speller is deeply grateful for all the prayers, messages and cards from so many folk during his recent stay in hospital, which were of great help. It is good to be home again albeit on light duties for the time being! Thank you all very much.

Diocese of Exeter Mission Community Resource Day

Thursday 4 February 2010 at the Old Deanery, Exeter

Would you like to come to a training day we are putting on for lay people running parishes and mission communities?

You could be a PCC secretary or a treasurer, a churchwarden or an administrator or anyone with a responsible role in your parish, deanery or mission community. You could be new to the job and trying to work out what you are meant to do or you could have been doing the job for years but are keen both to learn more and pass on your experience to others.



The day is 10am—4pm, free and we'll supply the tea and coffee but you should bring a packed lunch.

There will be two headline talks by the Reverend James Hutchings, Mission Resources Adviser on mission communities and by Martin Follett, Diocesan Registrar on parishes and the law.

In addition, there will be a choice of three workshops from the following. *Renewable energy and sustainability* - *Faculties* - *Extended use of Churches* - *Faith in Action Groups* - *Understanding Diocesan Finance* - *Parish Finance* - *Children's & Youth work* - *Working with Schools* - *Interacting with local government* - *Interactive worship* - *Churches for Everyone* - *Chancel repair liability* - *Parochial Property*

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Details and a booking form are available from

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by 16th February 2010 please.