

Deanery of Great Britain and Ireland

St Albans Conference 28th - 31st May 2010

All Saints Pastoral Centre, London Colney, St. Albans

“Healing and Transformation in Christ”

We are pleased to announce that the Annual Conference will take place on the late May Bank Holiday, 28th to 31st May 2010. The conference is a significant event in the life of our community. It is an opportunity to meet members of the Deanery, and other members of the Exarchate.

The conference has a formal programme of morning talks, afternoon discussion groups or workshops, and a Round Table. This is described in greater detail in the other leaflet. In addition, there are opportunities to renew old friendships and make new ones in the free time, and to talk with the priests and Archbishop. On Friday evening we can make use of the Centre's bar, and on Sunday night we celebrate with a party. But at the heart of the conference is the cycle of services - Vespers, Matins, Vigil and the Divine Liturgy, with the sacrament of Confession on Saturday night.

Venue: The Conference will take place at
All Saints Pastoral Centre, Shenley Lane, London Colney,
St Albans, Herts, AL2 1AF.

There are 70 single rooms, and 25 twin-bedded rooms, with a lift to the first floor. We will use a large meeting room, with a PA system and induction loop, and separate chapel. The buildings form a quadrangle around a central cloister garden.

Centre website: www.allsaintspc.org.uk

Booking Deadline: The Pastoral Centre requires an early commitment. We therefore need you to book your place at the conference **by 14th February 2010**.

Payment: The cost this year for attending the conference full time is £195. Other fees are set out on the application form. We are sorry that we have had to make a slight increase in the fees, but this is due to the Pastoral Centre raising their fees each year. Payment from abroad can be made by Sterling Travellers Cheques.

Instalments: If you cannot pay the full amount immediately and wish to pay by instalments, please put your payment plan on the application form. This will be quite acceptable. A number of people chose this option last year.

Bursary Requests: If you cannot pay the full fees even with the instalment plan, please pay what you can and apply for a bursary (partial support for the fees). All applications for bursaries will be considered after the closing deadline for applications, so we can match requests for support to donations made.

Children: We plan to have a programme of activities for children between the ages of 5 and 11 during the main talks and workshops. If there is sufficient demand, we may be able to provide a programme for teenagers. Children remain the responsibility of their parents or guardians outside the activity times, and parents must deliver and collect their children promptly from the designated meeting place.

Children under the age of 5 can be booked to be cared for during the talks and workshops in a crèche. This will be available on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

Enquiries: If you have any queries about the conference, please contact us:

Email: conference@exarchate-uk.org

Telephone: 020 8864 5792 (Vivian Wright)

Post: 20 Canada Road, London, W3 0NP (Lisa von Schlippe)

Appeal for Bursary Contributions

We are appealing once more to your generosity in supporting the Bursary Fund, which enables a number of those who cannot afford the full fees to attend the Conference. Last year more than 20 people were assisted in this way.

As we are a registered charity, we can reclaim Gift Aid. If you are a UK taxpayer, and have paid enough Income or Capital Gains tax to cover the tax reclaimed, any donations you make can be increased by making a Gift Aid declaration. This adds 28% to your donation at no extra cost to yourself.

For example - a donation of £20 will bring an extra £5.64, or £25 will bring £7.05. (If you are a higher rate taxpayer you may be able to recover further tax through your own tax return.)

You can add the donation to your conference fees - please tick the box declaring that you are a UK taxpayer, and fill in the amount of your donation on the application form.

If you are able to make a donation, but cannot come to the conference, please make your cheque payable to "Episcopal Vicariate Conference Account" and send it to:

Lisa von Schlippe, Deanery Conference, 20 Canada Road, London, W3 0NP

If you are a taxpayer, you can also complete and return the declaration below which will increase the value of your donation.

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Gift Aid Declaration: I am a UK taxpayer, and wish all **donations** I have made since April 2009 to be treated as Gift Aid

Signature:

Date: