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Making a submission to Diocesan Council?

There is a proforma for submissions to Diocesan Council, the use of which assists the work of the Council by ensuring all relevant questions are addressed at the outset. It can be found under the Resources/Forms section of the website www.anglicantas.org.au. It is labelled Form DAF 030.

Getting the words right

From time to time we are asked for a form of words for bequests to parishes or other arms of the Church. A suitable form of words can be found on the website under Resources/Forms.

Synod 2009

Please note in your diary that Synod 2009 will be held from Friday 22 May to Sunday 24 May 2009 at Launceston Church Grammar School where low cost accommodation will again be available.

Annual Financial Returns

The Parish of Cressy was the clear winner this year to be the first parish to lodge its Annual Financial Return. Well done, those Northerners. Do please let us have your return as soon as practicable, together with your audited accounts.

Annual Meeting Agendas

If you are looking for a checklist to ensure the Parish Annual Meeting covers all necessary business, there is a sample agenda included at the end of the Parish Administration Ordinance, which can be found on our website.

Casual Payments (MF8)

Please note there is an updated *Casual Payments* form on the website which reflects an increase in casual service payments and travel reimbursements which took effect this month. Please discard any old forms which you may have (issue 3) and use the latest version (issue 4).

A Prayer Book for Australia (APBA)

Broughton publishing is looking at a one-off reprinting of *A Prayer Book for Australia* large print full edition hardcover for the communion table and for other large print uses. It has been out of print for three years. The cost will be approximately \$105 and the reprint will depend on interest.

Please contact Lesley urgently with expressions of interest, preferably by email to registry@anglicantas.org.au. We will pass on the Diocese's response to Broughton and we should know by the end of August whether there is enough interest for the reprint to be viable.

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A Tasmanian Council of Churches Forum

This forum may be of interest to folk. The topic is '*Palestine - Israel: Christian Perspectives on this Key Conflict*'. It is taking place on Sunday 3 August 2008 commencing at 3.00 pm at G A Wood Hall, Scots Memorial Uniting Church, 29 Bathurst Street, Hobart, followed by afternoon tea at 4.15 pm. There will be time for discussion.

Chair: Revd Prof Fr Michael Tate AO

Speakers: Lyndsay Farrall (Presiding Clerk, Religious Society of Friends - Quakers Australia) and Emeritus Prof Peter Boyce (Political Scientist)

CMS/ABM Year Planners

Included with the mailed *Church Matters* is a CMS/ABM Year Planner, which might be useful as well as a prompt to keep these hardworking mission organisations in mind.

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30 July 2008