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**Registry Reflections June 2006**

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*A hard copy of this issue with all attachments is mailed to each parish. Please note that the electronic version has only some attachments.*

**Food Safety and Handling**

The National Anglican Resource Unit (NARU) is this year providing high-level training to diocesan trainers in three areas of risk, trainers who will in turn run workshops for parish representatives across each diocese.

Diocesan Council member Jeanne Wherrett has attended the first of these NARU workshops interstate on the topic of **Food Safety**, and we are now preparing for three seminars across the state for Jeanne to in turn train parish reps in this area. This initiative is part of our commitment to quality in all aspects of ministry.

***The details are:***

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| South      | Saturday 15 Jul 2006 | 9.30am -12.30pm  | Parish Centre<br>Holy Trinity<br>North Hobart |
| North      | Saturday 26 Aug 2006 | 9.30am - 12.30pm | Parish Centre<br>St John's<br>Launceston      |
| North West | Sunday 27 Aug 2006   | 2.00pm - 5.00pm  | Parish Centre<br>St David's<br>Cooee          |

Each parish is asked to nominate one or two parishioners to undertake this training on behalf of the parish. The participant will receive materials for implementation within each parish. There will be no cost to the parishes for this seminar or the materials.

**Please return the attached form ASAP to assist our planning.**

## **Minimum stipends and related payments 2006-7**

Attached electronically and in hard copy with the mailed version please find a new Schedule adopted by Diocesan Council at the recommendation of the Diocesan Remuneration Commission at their recent meeting. As you will see, the Schedule takes effect from Wednesday 5 July, with casual payments effective 2 July 2006.

Each person affected by these changes, whether ordained or licenced, stipended lay, will receive in due course a copy of the fresh MF1/MF2 form showing the new rates as they apply to each individual. I would anticipate mailing these on or about Monday 17 July.

Please do not hesitate to phone or email if you have questions about these rates. Please also note the caveat in relation to the variable travel provision.

## **Casual Payments**

Please find enclosed an updated Form MF8 for casual payments to relief clergy and similar. This form shows the new rates described above. It is also available on the website. Please destroy any old forms and use this form from July 2006.

## **Parish Election Instructions, Assessment Return, Statistical Returns, Essential Parish Information**

There will be a mail out close to the end of this month, setting out in detail the requirements of the forthcoming parish elections, the various returns sought from parishes and related matters. If you require clarification on any of these matters earlier than this, again please call or email.

## **Bishop John's Presidential Address, Synod 2006**

Please find enclosed with the hard copy mailout a printed copy of this address. It can also be found on our website [www.anglicantas.org.au](http://www.anglicantas.org.au).

## **Understanding Our Muslim Neighbours**

As announced at Synod, Bishop John is leading workshops in Launceston, Hobart and Burnie entitled Understanding Our Muslim Neighbours. The Bishop seeks your support in encouraging members of your congregation to attend one of these workshops. Specifically, we request that those planning to attend advise the Bishop's office ([bishop@anglicantas.org.au](mailto:bishop@anglicantas.org.au) or 03 62238811) so that we can plan accordingly. Copies of the brochure are enclosed with the hard copy mailout.

## National Church Life Survey

Enclosed please find a brochure to keep you up to date with some detail about this highly important source of feedback for our diocesan mission enterprise. October has been selected as Tasmania's survey time and I understand parishes may choose any Sunday in October to conduct the survey. Paul Cavanough, the Diocesan Mission Enabler, writes:

*I believe each Parish has received a letter from NCLS recently, providing further insights into the usefulness of NCLS here in this Diocese. In regard to payments, we have asked NCLS to invoice the Diocese to simplify payments. The Ministry Council has agreed to pay for the individual surveys, therefore the cost to each Parish will be the flat fee of \$100 as described in the letter from NCLS. I intend to issue an invoice at the appropriate time to each parish. May I suggest that you include this expenditure in your budget for the second quarter of the next financial year.*

*The survey team has requested a final confirmation of numbers. Would you please email Rebecca Kuipers at [ministrycouncil@anglicantas.org.au](mailto:ministrycouncil@anglicantas.org.au) the numbers that you estimate will be in worship to complete the survey on the Sunday that you choose in October. This is required by 1 August 2006.*

*If you have not already received it, an instructions document will arrive in the near future to explain the procedures of this year's survey. I trust and pray that this will be a fruitful exercise for the sake of mission in the Diocese.*

## Visit by Dr Peter Vardy - 28 August 2006 at St Anthony's School, Riverside

We have received information regarding a one day conference being held at St Anthony's School, Riverside on 28 August. Dr Peter Vardy is from Heythrop College, University of London and does significant work in the area of Religious and Values Education. If you would like further information please contact Mrs Carmel Baumgartner, Principal of St Anthony's School, on 6327 3618.

## Lost Property

We brought back from Synod one lonely black leather glove (very expensive looking). If its owner would care to contact us, we would be delighted to reunite it with its other half; alternatively we would appreciate being sent the other one so that we would then have the two.

Blessings

Russell Morton  
Registrar