



NEWSLETTER JUNE 2013

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world: indeed it's the only thing that ever does.
(Margaret Mead)



PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

"One great idea of the biblical revelation is that God is manifest in the ordinary, in the actual, in the daily, in the now, in the concrete incarnations of life, and not through purity codes and moral achievement contests, which are seldom achieved anyway... We do not think ourselves into new ways of living, we live ourselves into new ways of thinking... The most courageous thing we will ever do is to bear humbly the mystery of our own reality." *Richard Rohr*



JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

S. Stephanie and S. Margaret Mary have both recently celebrated their Golden Jubilee - fifty years of vowed life within the Community. Both Jubilees were well celebrated with thanksgiving Eucharists and celebratory meals with Community, Family and Friends.



St AUGUSTINE



"Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love and the future to God's providence".

CELEBRATING 370 YEARS SINCE OUR FOUNDATION RECENT EVENTS



CELEBRATING OUR HISTORY AND OUR PRESENT IN EAST LONDON AND MELBOURNE



We were pleased to welcome so many old friends, new friends, parishioners, and neighbours to our Exhibitions in St Joachim's School in East London and Blessed Sacrament Church in Melbourne. During both Exhibitions we welcomed children from neighbouring schools to visit. One Year 5 child described the Exhibition as "Awesome!"

'Living Easter' with Prof Tina Beattie



Tina Beattie led a group of eighty of us in reflecting on the stories of the Resurrection and in particular the role of women in the story.



A full account of the day is available on
http://www.canonesses.co.uk/media/22642/microsoft_word_-_living_easter.pdf

THANKSGIVING EUCHARIST AT WESTMINSTER



Nearly a thousand invited guests connected with the School and Community gathered at Westminster Cathedral for an unforgettable Service of Thanksgiving presided over by Bishop Thomas McMahon, Bishop of Brentwood. Monsignor John Armitage's Homily paid tribute to all the people whose vision and faith have brought us to today. Photos from the day and the Homily are available on the Website at <http://www.canonesses.co.uk/our-370th-anniversary/westminster-thanksgiving-eucharist/>

KINTBURY REUNION

A special 370th Reunion of Old Fishes took place on 18th May at St. Cassian's, Kintbury. This get-together of Old Fishes was in recognition of the school's 20 years in Berkshire - at Goodings and Denford.



AND STILL TO COME

Join our celebration
370 years of Visual Arts

Sunday 30th June 2013

There are still a few places available at some Workshops and Talks, but it is also possible just to come and visit for part of the day to see what's going on.

Full details on our Website

<http://www.canonesses.co.uk/our-370th-anniversary/celebration-of-the-visual-arts/>



7th July: St Peter's Bradwell Evening Prayer 6:30pm. Please come and join us for the Service and/or from 3:30pm for a picnic beforehand.

AND FINALLY

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Our year of celebration comes to an end with a service of Thanksgiving in Chelmsford Cathedral on the 5th October at 2:00pm. Please join us.



THE 'IF' CAMPAIGN

ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE IF...

S. Moira and S. Patricia both joined in the lobbying and rallies in Westminster to bring to the Government's attention the need for international co-operation to tackle World Hunger.



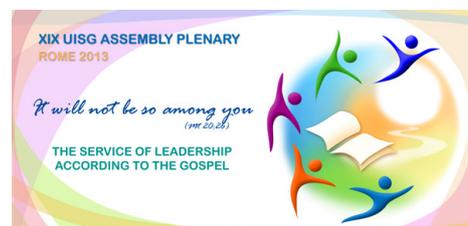
There is Enough Food for Everyone... **IF** we force governments and investors to be honest and open about the deals they make in the poorest countries that stop people getting enough food.

MEETING IN ROME

S. Margaret Mary was in Rome for the three yearly meeting of General Superiors.

The theme of the Conference was: The Service of Leadership according to the Gospel.

"As women religious called to leadership, we want to live this service: As Jesus of Nazareth, the Suffering Servant, (Is. 42) who washed the feet of his disciples teaching us all the true meaning of leadership as service of others and who gave us the example of self-giving love".



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28th June: Quiet Day at 74 Howe Close, Colchester, Essex, CO4 3XD, 10:00am-3:00pm.

7th July: St Peter's Bradwell Evening Prayer 6:30pm and/or from 3:30pm for a picnic beforehand.

14th July: Garden Party in Stock, Fundraising for Africa 12:30 for 1:00pm.

5th October: Thanksgiving in Chelmsford Cathedral at 2:00pm.

All welcome to any of the above - for details and booking please contact crssuk@canonesses.co.uk or phone 01206 867296.

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