Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14

For the world’s poorest children, childhood can be a time of pain, despair and survival. Pan from Cambodia was 11 when he tested for HIV. Months later his parents died because of AIDS. At a time when Pan felt life wasn’t worth living, CAFOD was there. Today, with CAFOD’s help, Pan is healthy, happy and excelling at school. To help Pan, and many more children in need, please give what you can at Fast Day.


Please give generously

Speakers at Conference on the 15th October are Maria Elena Arana and Kathy Galloway, to find out more go to p.10
CREATION BEGAN AT MORECAMBE

With the Bishop leading us in prayer at our first prayer station, we began our year of celebrating creation on 12th September with a walk along Morecambe Promenade. This was the first of our many events throughout the diocese which we hope will help us renew our vision of creation, and our encounter with God through it.

You may remember that it was the night Hurricane Katia visited the coast so it was a walk for the hardy along the front, stopping to pray at various points, recalling the cockle-pickers at one, bird life at another until we reached the jetty where we had been hoping for a wonderful sunset. Instead we had dramatic shafts of light coming through the clouds, as people’s glasses and clothes were blown all over the place. As we faced the hurricane we also prayed for those in the Caribbean who had suffered and even died in its path. The sand whipped into our eyes as we trekked back past Eric Morecambe to the parish hall.

We began at St. Mary’s parish who had kindly welcomed us, with members of the Anglican parish next door, especially Rev. Debbie Peatman (Churches together in Lancashire, Ecumenical Officer), who had helped us to prepare this (as well as giving us supper), and members of different Christian communities from as far as Preston, which was not bad on the night. Keeping us going was the UCM who very kindly opened the parish hall for us and provided wonderful cakes and teas, and patiently stayed open for those who wandered, were blown rather, back at various points and those who made it to the end.

The strength of the wind reminded us of the power of creation and our weakness sometimes when confronted with it. We are tempted at times to see ourselves as masters of creation, and to use it with the contempt domination can produce. When we experience creation as we did that night it reminds us of our need for humility and respect as any hill-walker, mountaineer, sailor, fisherman or caver knows. A humility that reminds us that we are part of creation and that we need to take care of it and if we want to harness it then to do so with a gentleness that is in harmony with God’s plan for all his creation.
The community from the parishes of St Ignatius and English Martyrs gave a great welcome and hospitality to everyone attending the Diocesan Mass for Racial Justice in St Ignatius Church Preston. It was a great occasion. Bishop Michael’s homily can be read on the F&J website www.lancasterfaithandjustice.co.uk

Part of the Morecambe – wide ‘Tern Project’, the 'See Wall' depicts the food chain of Morecambe Bay, from plankton to birds. It is set out in a spiral, starting with a representation of the sun (the power behind the Bay's ecosystem) then moving along a path through 'pockets' representing each level of the food chain and culminating in the viewpoint area. In 2007, young volunteers from the Princes Trust and the fire Morecambe Bay Cockle Pickers tragedy in 2004. It sits at the entrance to the See Wall.

Copy of the Prayer Walk is on the F&J website

The images do not reflect just how windy it was!

At the last prayer station the sun set
Eco-Schools and Eco-Conregations – an Assessor’s Perspective

For an assessor for Eco-Congregation and Eco-Schools it is a wonderful privilege to share with like-minded people a love of and concern for the beautiful world God created and gave us to care for.

At the moment the school sector rather puts the churches to shame! Currently 1,385 schools have the prestigious Green Flag award. To achieve this, nine areas must be addressed: litter, energy, water, waste, transport, healthy living, school grounds, biodiversity and a global perspective - so sustainability is at the heart of the Eco-Schools programme.

It is truly uplifting to spend time with young people fired up about reducing our carbon footprint and protecting the natural world. Ten years ago, when recycling in Britain was in its infancy, it was the buzz word in schools, but now young people lead the way in understanding that recycling should actually be the last resort – not the first. When I ask now which of the three Rs is most important the immediate response is ‘Reduce’ followed by ‘Reuse’ - and only then ‘Recycle’.

I have seen wonderful examples of good practice, but in Cumbria, in line with the ‘Great Outdoors’ theme of this edition of The Way, I can highlight William Howard School Brampton where students have built animal housing and reared chickens, ducks and rabbits – with other animals in the pipeline. And they are planning an orchard in a wildflower meadow.

At Cockermouth School the students have established an outdoor classroom and a wildlife pond, they are planting a community orchard and keeping bees!

Cockermouth Travel, a local commercial link, has donated 900 carbon-offset hedging and orchard trees for the school grounds, good community co-operation.

At Grange-over-Sands C of E Primary School every child is involved every week in the school garden or wildlife garden, while at Hawkshead and Esthwaite C of E Primary School, with community help, they have established an outdoor environmental classroom and a vegetable garden and greenhouse - a wonderful example of local teamwork. The results are best described by the children themselves: ‘Fletcher’s Field is a haven full of wildlife and blossoming trees’. 'The pond is at the far side of the field.' ‘You will find yellow buttercups, daisies and a wide variety of trees. If you look
under stones, leaves and bushes, you will find the smallest and most exciting insects.’

The Eco-Teacher at Levens C of E Primary School writes: “Working towards the Eco-Schools award has been a thoroughly worthwhile journey, giving recognition to activities already peppered throughout the existing curriculum, but also giving us the purpose, focus and support to broaden our reach to previously unconsidered areas. The Eco-Schools approach is thorough, but wonderfully flexible and manageable. The children have really surprised us with their ideas, commitment and enthusiasm, and the ‘green’ message is connecting us with our wider local community and the world beyond.”

The Eco-Schools programme must be pupil centred and pupil driven. Excellent schools put the environmental agenda at the heart of their curriculum, involving every subject, to create an holistic approach. The young people I have met are confident and mature; even at primary level they chair meetings, take minutes, set action plan targets, monitor progress, evaluate outcomes and speak in public. They have a great deal to teach the adult world, especially in their enthusiasm and commitment to making the world a better place for everyone. For information go to www.eco-schools.org.uk.

Eco-Congregation is “an ecumenical programme helping churches make the link between environmental issues & Christian faith and respond in practical action in the church, in the lives of individuals and in the local and global community”. As with Eco-Schools, specific topics must be addressed – all identified, with helpful resources on the website www.ecocongregation.org (livesimply award for parishes is a a joint CAFOD and Eco-Congregations Project). Certainly, the best practice happens when a church and its local school(s) work together. There are 1,385 Green Flag schools in England (13 in Cumbria) and 199 Eco-Congregations, of which only 4 are in Cumbria – so far!

I see it quite simply as a discipleship issue. God created the wonderful world we are privileged to enjoy, and commissioned us to care for it. If we, who proclaim a loving creator God, don’t take our responsibilities seriously, who will take us and our faith seriously?

If you would like someone to talk to your school, your congregation, your local Churches Together group etc. about any of these issues please contact me on pammartin47@gmail.com - you will be surprised by how much you are already doing and how easy it is to do more!

Pam Martin
Cumbria Local and Fair

‘What about our farmers?’ is a question we are often asked, ‘What about fair trade for them?’ Sometimes the tone is accusing (as if we didn’t care), but usually the question is simply inquisitive. If for coffee, why not for milk? If for cotton, why not for wool? Indeed, why not?

To help explore how Cumbrian farmers and food and wool processors might get ‘a fairer deal’ (the core principle of Fairtrade) Cumbria Fair Trade Network has formed a partnership with representatives of Cumbria Chamber of Commerce, Cumbria County Council, Cumbrian NFUs, Cumbria Rural Churches, Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency, the Fairtrade Foundation and the Lake District National Park Authority. Over the last year we have spent many hours in discussions with farmers, food and wool processors, advisors, academics, and many others to plan a major conference on 4th November at Rheged, Penrith.

Taking into consideration the changes to farming after 2013, CUMBRIA LOCAL AND FAIR will focus on 7 main topics as follows:

1. Increasing the awareness and commitment of consumers (residents and visitors) in Cumbria to buy local produce.
2. Exploring ways in which farmers can work more effectively together.
3. Examining the feasibility of a ‘Cumbrian Fare’ brand.
4. How to add value to local wool.
5. Improving the distribution of local produce.
6. Dedicated supply chains for milk & the possibility of a ‘Fair Milk’ Mark.
7. How public procurement could do more for both local and Fairtrade producers.

After a morning of plenaries, these topics will form the themes of 2 hour workshops in the afternoon, by the end of which participants are expected to put forward ideas and recommendations leading to action. Each workshop will be led by a facilitator with good knowledge of the issues, with contributions by experts from farming, retailing, distribution, branding, procurement, and academic research and consultancy.

If you are interested to know more about the conference and how to apply for a place go to: www.cumbriafairtrade.org.uk

Joe Human
Food Sovereignty: Taking back control of our food system
A War on Want position paper

Hundreds of millions of small food producers have lost their livelihoods while large companies and food retailers continue to make billions in profits. Moreover, persistent high food prices and falling incomes have taken the cost of basic foodstuffs out of the reach of millions of people. The dominant model for dealing with the food crisis - backed by the UK government- is based on the very same market solutions that have caused the problems of world hunger.

War on Want is working with partners across the world towards an alternative model and a solution to the food crisis: Food Sovereignty. Food Sovereignty prioritises people's right to food, ecological farming practices and a global food system free of corporate control. It’s a system that works. Small-scale farmers in the South are demonstrating that it is possible to feed entire communities over the long term with food grown using sustainable agricultural methods, traditional seeds, and without the use of highly advanced technology, chemical fertilisers and pesticides.

To find out more about how we can make an alternative food system a reality, read our Food Sovereignty briefing note

www.waronwant.org/attachments/Food%20Sovereignty%20briefing,%20with%20logo,%20Aug%202011.pdf

Graciela Romero Vasquez Director International Progr

Green and ethical investing aims to allow you to make money and make a difference.

National Ethical Investment Week (NEIW) is a campaign to ensure that everyone knows that they have green and ethical options when it comes to their finance and investment decisions. NEIW brings together Advisers, Charities and Trusts, Financial Organisations, Faith Groups, NGOS and Community Groups to spread the word about green and ethical investing

for info: www.neiw.org
Enough to feed your family -
Is this too much to ask?
Gap and H&M seem to think so.

In Labour Behind the Label's recent report, Let's Clean up Fashion 2011 fashion giant GAP says that, despite earlier good intentions to pay a living wage, it has now abandoned plans to take action on poverty pay. Swedish fashion brand H&M is also failing to commit to a living wage, and won't put this in its code of conduct, let alone act to make this a reality. Both companies currently only check that workers get the minimum wage, which in fashion production countries is often less than half what a worker will need to care for and feed her family. These companies are lagging behind competitors and should be doing better.

**You can take action now to call on these brands to do better.**

By doing so you stand in solidarity with the people who make the clothes you wear, and with their families.

Take Action – tell GAP and H&M to combat poverty pay

www.labourbehindthelabel.org/campaigns/item/983-stop-workers-falling-into-the-wage-gap

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**Living for One World One World Week: 23–30 October 2011**

Valuing and understanding the world and those who live in it

**Living for the planet**

What does it mean to live for one planet?
How do we value the planet and all the life forms that sustain us? To damage the environment is ultimately to harm us so how can our lifestyles and attitudes work in co-operation with nature?

**Living for its people**

What does it mean to live for its people?
One of the causes of suffering and poverty is greed. We are all interlinked and part of each other. The world is like one body; if one part of that body is in pain, the whole body suffers.

**Living and acting for change**

What does it mean to live and act for change?
Our lives can change the world as we choose what we eat, what we buy, how we travel, how we use our money and time.

Get involved …more information www.oneworldweek.org

Ask for a resource pack: tel 0118 939 4933
Living in and defending Creation
what can we do and why should we?

Chaplaincy Centre Lancaster University LA1 4YW
Saturday 15th October 2011 10:00am -3:30 pm

Speakers
Maria Elena Arana
CAFOD Campaigns Manager
&
Kathy Galloway
writer & Director Christian Aid Scotland

with workshops

All Welcome
Suggested donation waged £5 unwaged £3

hot drinks available, please bring packed lunch
Registration from 9:30 am
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The Talks
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Maria Elena Arana
and
Bringing Creation Theology Down to Earth
Kathy Galloway

The Speakers

Maria Elena Arana: Born in Chihuahua, Mexico—home of Pancho Villa, the Tarahumara Indians and the famous little dogs, she grew up in classic US suburbia outside of New York City. For the last 20 years, Maria Elena’s work life has spilled over into the rest of her life as she has worked for CAFOD as the outreach campaign manager mainly involved with volunteers, regional staff, UK allies especially Catholic and green networks as well as working with and organising speaker visits for many of CAFOD's key overseas partners. She is a member of the board of Eco-Congregations-England and Wales as well as acts as CAFOD rep on NJPN, NBCW, JDC and EIN, the Environmental Issues network of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. In her free time, she has remained involved with her local community as chair of governors of their local nursery school and children's centre.

Kathy Galloway is the Head of Christian Aid Scotland, and was ordained as a minister of the Church of Scotland in 1977. Previously she served a seven-year term as the Leader of the Iona Community, the first woman to be elected to the post and before that, she worked for Church Action on Poverty as their Link-worker for Scotland. She has also worked for the Campaign for a Scottish Parliament, (and was one of the originators of ‘A Woman’s Claim of Right for Scotland’); in parish ministry in Edinburgh, as Warden of Iona Abbey, in community development projects in Bellshill and Glasgow; for the Presbyterian Church of Mauritius, and with a charity (VASHTI) established to support women who have experienced domestic abuse. A practical theologian, campaigner and writer, the major focus of her work has always been peacemaking and social justice issues, especially relating to poverty and gender. She is the author of a dozen books of theology, liturgy and poetry, and her writings have been widely anthologised. She lives in Glasgow.
Workshops will include

1. **Passion for Trees- responses to a changing climate in Kenya**
   Following a gap year experience with CAFOD, Jon and Rachel will share stories of climate justice including eco-feminism, prayers for rain, solar-powered energy projects and political lobbies'.
   The workshop includes an overview of reactions to the drought in Kenya, both by people who are directly impacted by it and those who are concerned with it.

   *Rachael McCarthy & Jon Lord*

2. **Building a Community for Change: How can I involve my parish in more justice & integrity of creation activities?**
   This workshop will seek to discuss and use the experiences of the group to brainstorm and plan strategies for involving different groups within our parishes to raise awareness and plan appropriate parish or other local or home based action to encourage all to live more simply sustainably and in solidarity with the poor.

   *Maria Elena Arana with members of St Joseph’s Parish*

3. **Jesus went up into a mountain to pray (Luke 9:28) Exploring Christian spirituality in the wilderness**
   Fr Robert will share his own experience and research of the wilderness spirituality, mountains and desert, in the context of Christian and Carmelite spirituality.

   *Fr Robert Opala from Tabour*

4. **Yes we can!**
   Members from St Bede’s Catholic High School Lytham will share their experience of becoming an outstanding sustainable school and how as a whole school community they have tried to understand, and respond to, the problems of climate change.
   This includes the development of community projects and their website www.easy2begreen.co.uk

   *Members of St Bede’s School Community*

5. **Bearing Witness to Climate Change: Christian Aid** info to follow
   *Kathy Galloway*

Other workshops and leaders to be confirmed
Routes to Lancaster University
Chaplaincy Centre

By Rail & Bus: The University lies approx 3.5 miles south of the city of Lancaster. The bus station is situated on Damside Street about 5 minutes walk from the railway station by the castle. The no. 1 provides a direct link between the city and the university campus and it runs every 15 minutes. The 40, 41 and x42 also stop at the entrance to the university by the tennis courts, from where there is a 5-minute walk to the Chaplaincy Centre. Taxi services at from both rail and bus stations

By Road Leave the M6 motorway at junction 33 and take the A6 north towards Lancaster. After about 1.5 miles, having passed through Galgate village, you will see the University buildings to the right of the road; turn right at the traffic lights into the University's main drive. This leads to a roundabout at the top of the hill. Take the first exit from the roundabout, then the first avenue on your right - the Chaplaincy is on the left-hand side.

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I would like to have a display/stand at the conference. My organisation /group is called _______________________________________________________
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Every day, our brothers and sisters living in poverty juggle all sorts of threats, including famine, drought and devastating natural disasters. Their survival often depends on traditional ways of coping, passed down through generations. But climate change adds a new burden – an extra ball to juggle – that threatens to overwhelm them. 

**They can’t afford to drop the ball, and neither can we.**

Our faith calls us to stand in solidarity with those who struggle. People in poverty can adapt to the changing climate - farming drought-resilient crops in Kenya, and protecting homes against flooding in Bangladesh - but they need our support to do so.

**Don’t drop the ball**

The UK government has already pledged some short-term funding to tackle climate change. But this isn’t enough. If people in poverty are to weather its effects, it’s vital the UK provides funding for the long term, and ensures this reaches the most vulnerable communities.

**Write or email** Chancellor George Osborn ahead of the UN climate change talks in Durban, South Africa later this year.

*Remind our government not to drop the ball on climate change*

Ask the Chancellor to take three steps to show international leadership on climate finance:

- Ensure the UK provides its fair share of finance to help people in developing countries adapt to climate change over the long term. Specifically, ensure a plan is adopted at the next UN talks in Durban to mobilise the money needed;
- Champion the setting up of a new Green Climate Fund in Durban;
- Commit to channel the UK’s contribution through this Fund.

**Getting your parish or community involved**

Find top tips for getting people involved, including a short talk to use at mass, prayer resources, Parish Action Sheet and Climate Justice Factsheet

These resources can all be downloaded from www.cafod.org.uk or paper copies from the CAFOD office in Preston Tel:01772733310
Faith in Action

Monday 10 October 7:30pm
“Faith in the inner city: rekindling the flame of hope.”
Brother Ken Vance SJ

Saturday 5 November 10:00am
“Faith in a multi-cultural society: towards understanding Islam”
Rev David Marshall

Monday 5 December 7:30pm
“Faith in the modern world: the internet and evangelisation.”
Fr Peter Scally SJ

St Wilfrid’s Parish Centre, Chapel Street, Preston
Peace Vigil at the world's largest arms fair

Several hundred people, including Pax Christi members from around the country, members of CAAT and the East London Against Arms Trade, gathered at dusk at the Excel Exhibition Centre, in London on 12 September for a silent vigil in protest against the Defence & Security Equipment International, the world's largest arms fair. Held every two years exhibition hosts 1,300 companies all displaying their military hardware and technology. In 2001 the Exhibition took place as the Twin Towers in New York were being attacked. While other events in London were cancelled, the Defence Exhibition went on - business as usual for the arms trade.

Among those taking part were Bishop Thomas McMahon of the RC Diocese of Brentwood. Bishop Thomas has been a faithful participant since the Fair began to be held in Docklands at the end in 2001.

Pax Christi members also took part in a CAAT Vigil outside Parliament on the morning of 13 September before joining in a lobby of Parliament to urge their Members of Parliament to end the UK's involvement in the arms trade. The Middle East is a key 'target' area for arms companies and the UK in particular. Pat Gaffney, General Secretary of Pax Christi said: "Given the fragility of the region - where wars are still being waged with our support and where nonviolent democratic movements are being persecuted by military dictators, it is both tragic and immoral that we continue to sell arms to this region - or any region of the world".

The mass lobby asked MPs to push the government to stop promoting arms sales to repressive regimes. The UK government exports arms to Algeria, Iraq, Libya, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates;

Please contact your MP to ask them to add their voice

For information on Catholic Social Teaching on Peace
www.paxchristi.org.uk/press.HTML

WHY does the arms industry rarely consider using their great skills to help solve transport and energy needs instead of threatening closure and unemployment whenever concerns about the arms trade are raised?
Fracking:

Shale gas company claims for the North West

Fracking is a new technique of recovering gas from shale which has been developed in the US. It involves hydraulic fracturing of rocks by pumping water and chemicals at high pressure to release gas.

This technique is already being piloted in the UK near Blackpool. A House of Commons Committee was told on 1 March 2011 that the firm doing that work will keep their results secret until 2015.

Geologists have identified a number of areas around the UK as suitable for fracking

Fracking uses large amounts of water which has to be taken from local supplies - and then the contaminated waste water disposed of. They won't even tell us what chemicals are used.

Fracking may also release methane to the atmosphere causing more global warming. And, of course, we should be using less fossil fuels, not going after ever more risky sources.

The award-winning film Gasland explores experience of fracking in the US which has allegedly resulted in pollution of drinking water with claims that people can ignite gas coming out of their taps.

In 2010 Cooperative funded research by the Tyndall Centre which recommends a moratorium until more is known about fracking. However the House of Commons Energy and Climate Change Committee in May recommended fracking should go ahead but be monitored "extremely closely", even though it might divert investment from renewable energy.

Responding to a report published by shale gas 'fracking' company Cuadrilla Resources, saying that extracting shale gas near Blackpool for use in the UK's energy mix could provide thousands of new jobs, Friends of the Earth's senior climate campaigner Tony Bosworth said:

"Drilling for shale gas raises serious safety concerns and risks polluting water supplies - and it could take vital funding away from the clean energy solutions we know are safe and will work. .....Our future power needs should come from the wind, sun and waves and using our energy more carefully - this will slash emissions and boost the economy by creating new businesses and jobs. ...There should be no more fracking in Britain until safety and environmental concerns have been properly addressed."

Cuadrilla's shale gas exploration near Blackpool had to be halted earlier in the year amid concerns they were causing tremors.
and who is going to benefit?
When I heard the American head of Caudrilla gloat over the "vast" gas resources under Lancashire, I decided it was time for a little research. The Company claims resources of 200 trillion cubic feet. Now that's an awful lot of gas and worth a vast amount of money.
Caudrilla's website tells me that the Company is registered in Britain, but it also shows that the top men are Americans and that it is financed by a US private equity company.

Are Lancashire's natural resources to be plundered using a technology with an unproven safety record and uncertain long-term effects with the bulk of the massive profits going back across the pond?
We need to be asking a lot more questions before we believe that Caudrilla's exploitation of this gas field is in our best interest.

I think it is time to write to my MP

Stephen Garsed
Waiting for Justice The Temple Lectures 2011 in Blackburn Cathedral
Thursday 3rd November at 7.30pm Waiting for Justice – for Women
Baroness Dean FRSA, formerly General Secretary of SOGAT

Wednesday 23rd November at 7.30pm Waiting for Justice - for the Nations
Lord Judd, former Overseas Development Minister and Director of Oxfam

These lectures, sponsored by the Bishop of Blackburn and hosted by Blackburn Cathedral, are named after William Temple and tackle contemporary issues of faith and ethics.

There will be tea and coffee served afterwards and opportunity to meet the speakers.

For more info: contact Tel: 01254 503090 or www.blackburncathedral.com
Everybody welcome, free entry, no ticket required

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100 Churches

CEL is seeking 100 churches to raise (at least) £100 each for habitat conservation projects

Species extinction rates are now 100 to 1000 times as great as the natural rate due to habitat loss.

Could your church have a fund raising event to save habitat or species – e.g. rainforest – mangrove swamp- marshland or– old varieties of wheat, orang-utans, whales –….. Please tell Christian Ecology Link.

We will celebrate the fact by putting a link to you from the CEL website, by sending you a certificate and thank you card.

So far we know of three churches that have raised money. We want to show the world that Christians care about the gifts God has given us – and care that future generations should enjoy them too.

CEL can suggest some projects to support. If you support a church abroad you could ask them about local conservation projects near them, thus increasing interest.

Contact Judith Allinson 01729 822138 webeditor @christian-ecology.org.uk

“Whosoever is good” – Philippians 4 v.8

Spending £1 to save rainforest from being destroyed can prevent 330kg carbon dioxide being produced – a better return on £1 than virtually any other way (£1 spent on Solar Panels only saves about 3kg carbon dioxide) Some forest costs £100 an acre, other cost £1000 an acre

One quarter of our mammals and one fifth of our plants are under threat

www.christian-ecology.org.uk/100churches.htm
Resource: Our World and You (Justice in the World)
This autumn is the 40\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of the 1971 Synod of Bishops which issued the document *Justice in the World*. This updated version of Our World and You, a summary version which was published as a CTS document in 1972, will be available shortly at £1.50 per copy. The document is still as relevant as it was then, if not more so – including a very interesting section on the Church’s witness. Copies will be available from NJPN at admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk or tel:020 7901 4864.

Open Debate

*Vulnerable Workers, Trafficking, Pornography and the Economics of Exploitation: London 2012 and beyond*

Thursday 17 November 2011, 4.30-6.15 p.m.
Friends House 173 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BJ

For more info: www.eccr.org.uk

Hunger for justice

*From food crisis to food sovereignty*

7pm-9pm, Wednesday 19 October

Mechanics Institute, 103 Princess Street, Manchester M1 6DD

Speakers:
Delwek Mateus, national co-ordinator, Landless Workers Movement, Brazil
Sarath Fernando, co-ordinator of the Movement for National Land and Agricultural Reform, Sri Lanka
Christine Haigh, World Development Movement
Matt Fawcett, Kindling Trust

Kendal and Barrow Deanery Training

*Disability Awareness Training Day*

Saturday 15\textsuperscript{th} October 2011 Holy Trinity Church, Kendal

10.00am – 1pm

Presented by Peter Fox, Manager of Kepplewray Training Services, Course would be of particular help to clergy, lay ministers, churchwardens, P.C.C. members, welcomers and anyone interested in presenting worship Cost £5 to cover expenses. Refreshments from 9.30am

More info from: Mary Brown, Kendal Deanery Training Adviser,
Tel: 01539 725577 Email: mf.brown@btinternet.com
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