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ABC Link

The Diocese of Chester team that visited the Dioceses of Aru and Boga in the Congo have now returned. Phillip Alston, a Children's Worker at All Saints Marple and part of the visiting team, took some really brilliant photos. The pictures capture the positive spirit of the people and are a testament to the good work being done there.

[See the 'ABC Link' photos here](#)



Featured events below - For all events, see the [Diocese of Chester 'Events' page](#)



[Stop, Look & Listen Day at Foxhill House](#) - 11 September 2017

Hosted by the Revd. Jenny Bridgman - Associate Vicar of Timperley. This is a chance to step back from your busyness, and listen to what God is saying to you. The day starts with coffee at 9.30am and ends with tea at 3.30pm. £21 per person - includes lunch and refreshments.



The 2017 Pastoral Worker Licensing Service - 23 September 2017

This takes place in Chester Cathedral at 6.30pm. All are welcome to come and support those being admitted and licensed by Bishop Libby.



[Stop look and listen Day, Thriving Through Change](#) - 1 to 3 November 2017

Hosted by Bishop Chris Edmondson. £145 includes en-suite room, all meals and refreshments. Many people find dealing with change difficult, whether at work, in personal circumstances, health or attitude - especially when it's forced on us. Using a variety of means including Biblical reflection, discussion, prayer ministry and personal space, Bishop Chris will show how we cannot just survive change, but thrive and grow in and through the process. The retreat begins with lunch on Wednesday, and finishes after lunch on Friday.



[Rethinking Apologetics](#) - 8 November 2017

Try asking a room full of Christian leaders what they think about apologetics. How would they respond? Some would speak of dusty arguments, too clever by half. Others would surely describe bad-tempered wrangles and intellectual squabbles. How much better, many people would feel, to avoid all of this and get back to the simple Gospel message!



[Arts & Faith Pub Night](#) - 11 September 2017

An informal meeting for all interested in the link between art and faith.



[Churchwarden Training](#) - 7 October 2017

This is a training opportunity for ALL Churchwardens in the Diocese of Chester, booking is essential.



[Passionate Presence](#) - 25 January 2018

What could 'mission at the margins' look like in a time of austerity, Brexit and church growth strategies? What vital aspects of God's mission do we miss when we concentrate on 'church growth'? Beginning with some stories from one outer-urban estate in east Birmingham, we will explore together some of these questions, and see if we can develop some theological and practical resources for a different way of thinking and doing mission, as 'passionate presence'.



[The Long Haul: developing resilience in ministry and life](#) - 7 March 2018

Most of us will serve in public ministry for decades, not just years. How do we flourish and grow on this long journey, rather than merely survive? This event is designed to help us understand our needs as travellers through the landscape of licensed ministry, and suggest how we might sustain ourselves.



[Re-imagining Remembrance and Armistice in a Warring World](#) - 17 May 2018

One hundred years on from the 'War to end Wars', the world remains riven by conflict and society continues to reach for rituals to remember old and recent wars, as well as acts of terror. The changing shape of Church and British society raises questions about how best to remember the dead of the past one hundred years.



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