

# Thursday 12 February 2009

9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## MORNING WORSHIP

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### ANGLICAN COVENANT (GS 1716)

*The Bishop of Rochester* to move:

19. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'
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Not later than 11.45 a.m.

## LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

**The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I) will be taken:**

- 504** Draft Vacancies in Suffragan Sees and Other Ecclesiastical Offices Measure (GS 1692A) - *Draft Measure for Revision*
- 505** Draft Crown Benefices (Parish Representatives) Measure (GS 1693A) – *Draft Measure for Revision*
- 509-510** Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Exclusion of Ineligible Persons) (Amendment) Rules 2008 (GS 1718) and the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Debt Apportionment) (Amendment) Rules 2008 (GS 1717) – *Rules for Approval*
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2.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS AND THE RECESSION (GS 1719)

*The Archbishop of York* to move:

20. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'
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## INTER FAITH: PRESENCE AND ENGAGEMENT (GS 1720)

*The Bishop of Bradford* to move:

21. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'
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**SPECIAL AGENDA IV  
DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION:  
THE FUTURE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND RETREAT HOUSES  
(GS Misc 907A and B)**

*The Venerable Richard Atkinson* (Leicester) to move on behalf of the Leicester Diocesan Synod:

22. 'That this Synod
- (a) celebrate the contribution of the Diocesan Retreat Houses to the Retreat Movement, and to the mission of the Church and the spiritual well-being of the nation;
  - (b) in the light of the closure of several Diocesan Retreat Houses, invite the Archbishops' Council to review and to make recommendations for the future sustainability and development of the remaining Diocesan Retreat Houses; and
  - (c) encourage the Archbishops' Council and the other National Church Institutions, Dioceses, regional training partnerships and parishes to make full use of the Diocesan Retreat Houses for retreat, prayer, study, conferences and creative thinking for the future.'

(Peterborough Diocesan Synod has passed a motion in the same terms.)

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