## Wednesday 25 November 2015

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

## **ORDER PAPER II**

### **MORNING WORSHIP**

#### LOYAL ADDRESS

The Archbishop of Canterbury to move:

7 'That a Loyal Address be presented to Her Majesty The Queen.'

#### **GLOBAL WARMING**

8 The Archbishop of York will give a presentation under SO 107.

## THE MIGRANT CRISIS (GS 2009)

The Bishop of Durham to move:

- That this Synod, recognising that almost 60 million individuals have been forcibly displaced worldwide as a result of persecution, conflict or generalised violence, a fifth of them because of the tragic conflict in Syria, and noting the compassionate response of British people to the suffering and needs of those displaced by conflict and other causes:
  - (a) urge parishes and dioceses to work closely with local authorities and other community partners, to provide practical and sustainable resources and structures for the resettlement of vulnerable refugees and to pray for all those seeking to address the causes as well as the symptoms of this crisis;
  - (b) welcome both the scale of the aid provided by Her Majesty's Government to those suffering as a result of the conflict in Syria and its decision to resettle vulnerable Syrian refugees, while calling on it to increase the number significantly beyond its initial target of 20,000 over five years;

- (c) call upon the Government to work with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to ensure that vulnerability to religiously motivated persecution is taken into account when determining whom to receive into Britain; and
- (d) call upon the Government to work with international partners in Europe and elsewhere to help establish safe and legal routes to places of safety, including this country, for refugees who are vulnerable and at severe risk.'

The Very Revd Andrew Nunn (Deans) to move as an amendment:

'In paragraph (b) *leave out* "welcome" and *insert* "acknowledge".'

The Revd Canon Giles Goddard (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

- 15 'At the end *insert*
  - "(e) call upon the Government to take a fair and proportionate share of refugees now within the EU, particularly those with family already legally resident in the UK.".

## SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

# ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2015 (GS 2007)

Order made under the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986

Canon Elizabeth Renshaw (Chester) to move:

'That the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order 2015 be approved.'

## **PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS OF JESUS (GS Misc 1126)**

**10** Presentation under SO 107.

#### 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

# REPORT OF THE CHURCH BUILDINGS REVIEW GROUP (GS 2008)

The Bishop of Worcester to move:

- 11 'That this Synod, acknowledging both the blessing and the burden of the Church of England's stewardship for so many historic buildings:
  - (a) welcome the report from the Church Buildings Review Group;
  - (b) commend it for discussion in dioceses, deaneries and parishes; and
  - (c) invite the Archbishops' Council, the Church Commissioners and the Church Buildings Council to work together on the detailed implementation of the proposals in the report so as to enable the Business Committee, in the case of those proposals which require legislation, to schedule the start of the relevant legislative process by July 2016.'

The Revd Peter Kay (St Albans) to move as an amendment:

'After "historic buildings" *insert* "and the missional opportunities provided by our buildings, whatever their age".'

The Revd Peter Kay (St Albans) to move as an amendment:

- 17 'At the end *insert*
  - "(-) invite the Archbishops' Council, the Church Commissioners and the Church Buildings Council to develop a strategy to inspire, encourage and support churches and their dioceses to invest in their facilities to serve their communities and provide opportunities for mission."."

The Revd Sally Gaze (Norwich) to move as an amendment:

- 18 'At the end *insert*
  - "(-) invite the Simplification Task Group to give more detailed consideration to new creative models for the ownership and management of church buildings in order to relieve the burden on incumbents of multi-parish benefices and to facilitate a greater focus on mission, using the gifts of the whole people of God.".'

The Revd Canon Jonathan Alderton-Ford (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move as an amendment:

- 19 'At the end insert
  - "(-) invite the Archbishops' Council to begin the process of safeguarding the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme and to include in any future discussion with Her Majesty's Government:
    - (i) the extension of the Scheme to churches which are not listed; and
    - (ii) encouragement for a thorough-going review of VAT on building works in Parliament and the European Community.".

## Not later than 4.00 p.m.

#### 12 FAREWELLS

#### 13 PROROGATION

#### MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF LAITY

The House of Laity will meet in the Assembly Hall at **4.45 p.m.** (or 15 minutes after the prorogation of the Synod if business is completed earlier)