

## Chaplaincy of Aquitaine

### Action and information points from Chaplaincy Council on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022



#### Chaplaincy AGM and ChapAid AGA 2023

Both of these meetings will be taking place via Zoom on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2023** with a Parish Day of worship, music and fellowship being planned for either Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May or Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May.



#### Finance

It was reported that Chaplaincy finances as at the end of August were showing as being €22,000 ahead of budget for which the Chaplain expressed his thanks.



#### Environmental Update



The Environmental Group are still looking for a new leader following the stepping down of Kathryn Carr. If anyone is interested, please would they contact the Chaplain or David Albrecht.

#### Women's Retreat

Following the success of this year's retreat, a further Women's Retreat is planned for Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at the abbey at Echourgnac.



#### Borehole Project in Malawi



The money needed to sink the borehole to supply water for the Christian Henry Henderson Institute in Malawi has been raised and the borehole has now been sunk and the school has water. However, further money is needed to fund the solar-powered pump and piping etc. The link to the "Just Giving" web page is

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/heather-gardiner>.

This project will make a tangible difference to the students in the Christian school in one of the poorest countries in the world. It is hoped that the Chaplaincy will adopt a partnership with the school in the future and the possibility of this is being investigated.

## Assistant Chaplain



It was announced that Revd. Liz Morris, the Chaplaincy Assistant Chaplain will be retiring from that role at the end of the year when her husband Richard retires. She is planning to continue in a PTO role. Plans are to be drawn up in consultation with ICS and Archdeacon Peter to find another member of the clergy.

## CWL Training

The first formal training day for those hoping to become Congregational Worship Leaders has been planned for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

## Communications Team

The use of the contact card was stressed when new people join a congregation. The lower half of the card is perforated and can be removed and sent to the Chaplaincy Administrator for the person's details to be entered into the Chaplaincy Connect database. Cards can be obtained from the Chaplaincy Administrator.

**Warm welcome to  
The Chaplaincy of Aquitaine  
Thank you for joining us today**

Our members and visitors come from a wide range of church backgrounds and our worship reflects this diversity. Gathering in many locations across the region, our church communities provide different types of services, home groups, and events. Find out more about us by visiting our website [www.churchinaquitaine.org](http://www.churchinaquitaine.org), Facebook, A Church Near You, and in our monthly magazine 'Spreading the Word'.

We would love to stay in touch; you can opt out of our communications at any time. Your privacy is important, and your details will not be shared with any other organisation. Our data protection policy is featured on our website. Please complete a contact slip for each person and hand it to the person who gave it to you. You will receive an email with a link to complete your details (Administration: [chapaq.office@gmail.com](mailto:chapaq.office@gmail.com), +33 (0) 67 04 07 77).

*Chaplaincy Connect - please complete one slip per person (print clearly and on the back if needed)*

Surname ..... First name/s .....

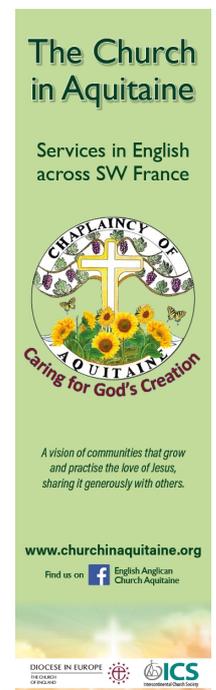
Email address and phone .....

Postal address (street number and name) .....

Post code ..... City .....

Resident in France  Seasonal Visitor  On Holiday

In addition, handing out the Chaplaincy bookmarks is a useful tool in reaching out to new people. Again, further supplies, if needed, can be obtained by contacting the Chaplaincy Administrator ([chapaq.office@gmail.com](mailto:chapaq.office@gmail.com)).



## Safeguarding



Modifications have been made by the Diocese when obtaining Police clearance from previous residencies in other countries. The new requirement is that it is necessary only to obtain Police clearance for France and not all the previous countries with longer term

residencies.

## Next Council Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held at 10.00 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 via Zoom.

Maggie Lee, Secretary to Chaplaincy Council. October 2022