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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Bishops' Study Day – Wednesday 17th May, 9am - 4pm

We look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Bishops' Study Day on the theme of **Nurturing a Faith-Sharing Culture**. One of our three key questions as a Diocese is: "How are you enabling growth in the numbers of disciples of Jesus?" It is our hope that this Study Day will inspire you, whatever your tradition, with new ideas to answer that question, and new tools to bring those ideas into reality.

In the morning, we will hear from James Lawrence, Leadership Principal at CPAS, whose <u>recent book</u> describes seven core shifts and seventy simple ideas to make evangelism integral to the life and culture of any church.

There will be four workshops to choose from in the afternoon:

- Faith-Sharing and Interfaith- Tom Wilson (St Philip's Centre) and Heba Hamad (London City Mission)
 Discuss the practice and ethics of evangelism, witnessing, and outreach in a multi-faith context
- Faith-Sharing and Friendship Phil Knox and Kat Gibson Within friendships, we often have the opportunity to share our faith in words and actions. Consider how a culture of friendship and faithsharing can bless your church.
- Faith-Sharing Across Cultures Jessie Tang, Intercultural Ministry Director Explore practical ways of sharing one's faith with people from different backgrounds, cultures and worldviews; and ways of seeing the gospel through different lenses.
- Faith-Sharing and Deliverance Bishop Peter Fox Meet members of the Bishop's Deliverance Team, learn about how they work, and how deliverance fits into the Church's wider ministry of healing and pastoral care.

The Bishops' Study Day will take place at St Martins House, with full catering for the day. Please register your attendance, select the workshops you wish to attend, and let us know about any dietary restrictions you have, through the Diocesan Hub (<u>thehub.leicester.anglican.org</u>). You'll find the Study Day featured on the front page of the Hub as well as lots of other useful resources and training opportunities to grow and sustain our discipleship.

If you are unable to attend, please send apologies to <u>Bishops.Office@LeicesterCofE.org</u>

With every blessing,

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