

INNERVIEW

HILARY TERM 2010



There will, rightly, be many bouquets and good wishes for Master Robinson at the end of his Treasurer's year – and also of course for his wife Louise, who has graced many of our occasions while holding no mean office herself, as Master of the Worshipful Company of Gardeners. They will, in the old phrase, be a very hard act to follow. However, having so to speak shadowed Master Robinson in my capacity last year as Reader, I have learnt a good deal – most of all, I think, the value of good cheer: by always seeming to enjoy himself, Master Robinson lightened the spirits of everyone else. That is an example I shall do my best to follow.

In June we shall be having what I hope will be a major conference at the Inn, in collaboration with the Middle Temple, on the subject "Democracy – its Virtues and Vices". It will recollect ancient Greek origins; look critically

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at ideas too often assumed to be true; and consider democracy's difficulties and, indeed, drawbacks in some settings. I have thought for a long time that the Inn's educational effort, which is its core purpose, should be richer and broader than the black-letter law which aspiring and practising barristers need to have. I hope this conference, and also of course the Reader's lectures which Master Hallett has organised, will take us some way in that direction.

Other things will happen too. I hope a chess tournament; and (on a somewhat different note) a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. And look out for Alice in Wonderland at the Summer Party. Speaking of gardens, one of my first acts as Treasurer will be to inspect the work of Hunter and Nimrod, the ginger cats who have joined the garden staff on the basis (I assume) that they will be better at chasing vermin than our conventional human employees.

THE RT HON LORD JUSTICE LAWS THE TREASURER



MASTER STRAW PORTRAIT 24 November 2009



At last November's Private Guest Night, on 24 November 2009, the Inner Temple unveiled the latest addition to its collection, a portrait of The Rt Hon Jack Straw MP, Lord Chancellor & Secretary of State for Justice.

Emma Wesley's portrait captures Master Straw in his formal surroundings at the House of Commons. Emma had previously been commissioned by the National Portrait Gallery to paint Lance-Corporal Johnson Beharry VC and has recently won the De Laszlo Silver Medal.

RECENT EVENTS



TRAIT

RECENT EVENTS



Emma Wesley, Master
Straw and The Treasurer,
Vivian Robinson QC



ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE LIBRARY MERGER

After lengthy deliberations, Middle Temple and Inner Temple have concluded that none of the available options for a merger of their libraries and creation of an advocacy and education centre is sufficiently desirable to warrant further investigation and implementation. We have therefore agreed to bring to an end the negotiations which have been taking place under the aegis of the Joint Collaboration Committee.

We are aware of the great uncertainties these negotiations have caused to our library staffs and the Treasurers of both Inns would like to thank them for their professionalism and forbearance over the last nine months.

SUB-TREASURER
PATRICK MADDAMS



Unfortunately, we have had to cancel this year's Easter Egg Hunt. However, in its place we have decided to hold a family picnic. There will be fun & games in the garden from 1pm on 18 July. More details will follow later in the year.

FAMILY PICNIC AT INNER TEMPLE

SUNDAY
18 JULY 2010
1:00PM-4:00PM



INNER TEMPLE LECTURE SERIES 2010 PROFESSIONALISM



22 FEBRUARY 2010

RT HON THE LORD
NEUBERGER OF ABBOTSBURY

“THE ETHICS OF
PROFESSIONALISM
IN THE 21ST CENTURY.”

COUNTS
AS ONE
HOUR
OF CPD!

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22 MARCH 2010

MASTER WEBB

“PROFESSIONALISM AT THE
SELF-EMPLOYED BAR
AND THE EMPLOYED BAR
– A COMPARISON.”



Drinks for Benchers in the
Smoking Room at 18:00
Lecture/Debate 18:30-19:30
Drinks reception 19:30-20:30
Cost £11.50 for barristers, £6.20 for students

TO BOOK

Please contact Kate Peters on
020 7797 8250
or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk

NEW MASTERS OF THE BENCH

The Treasurer is delighted to announce that the following members have been elected as Masters of the Bench:

JUDICIAL GOVERNING BENCHER

Her Honour Judge Deborah Taylor

BARRISTER GOVERNING BENCHERS

Michael Humphries QC

Peter Harrison QC

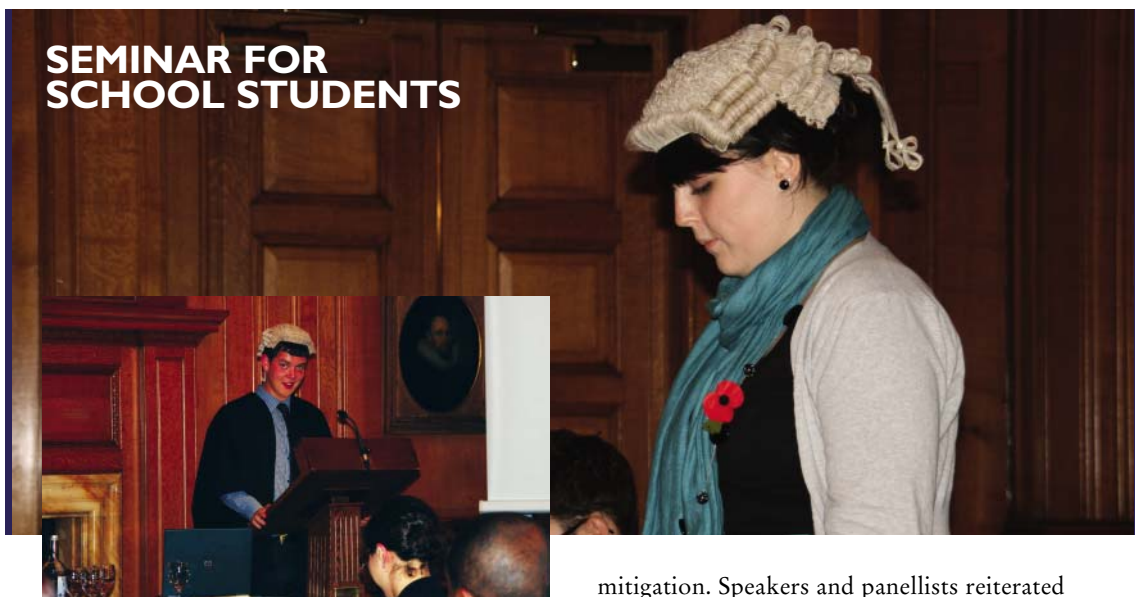
Alison Levitt QC

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SEMINAR FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS



On 6 November 2009, the Inn welcomed 140 year 12/13 school students from nearly 60 state schools in Greater London to take part in the second annual seminar “So you want to be a Barrister?” The seminar is part of the Inn’s larger Schools Project, run in collaboration with the National Education Trust, which also features an intensive Inner Temple Academy for five target schools and a biennial event for school teachers and career advisers.

The event aimed to increase school students’ knowledge of what is involved in pursuing a career at the Bar, dispel misconceptions about the profession and to raise aspirations of participants. A panel of barristers practising in criminal law, family law, human rights and at the employed Bar spoke of their experiences and the challenges and opportunities life as a barrister presents. Later in the afternoon, students split into groups led by over 15 members of the Inn to engage in case law and rehearse a practice plea in

mitigation. Speakers and panellists reiterated that the Bar is a profession based on meritocracy and open to all able candidates, regardless of their background.

Members who led these groups were extremely impressed by the competency and enthusiasm of the students. Equally, feedback from the students has been wholly positive. Many students spoke after the event about feeling inspired to consider a career at the Bar, not knowing that this had been a possibility beforehand.

The Education & Training Department would like to thank all those who helped at the event and, in particular, Simon O’Toole who led the activities and Leslie Thomas who chaired the panel.

There are several other events scheduled for the Inn’s Schools Project during the year. If you would like to volunteer to help out at one of these events or would like further information about doing so, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact **Anthony Dursi**.

INNER TEMPLE BUILDING STRONG LINKS WITH UNIVERSITIES

DINNER TO THE UNIVERSITIES

The Inn will be holding its annual Dinner to the Universities in March 2010. The aim of the dinner is to establish links with the undergraduates who are interested and capable of joining the Bar from universities across England and Wales. If you are an established barrister and would be interested in attending, please contact **Anthony Dursi**.

PRESENTATIONS

Four university presentations for over 430 university students took place during the last two weeks of October. Held in Bristol, Cambridge, Oxford and in Hall at the Inner Temple, students heard from a panel about life as a barrister in a variety of legal specialisms. These panel discussions were chaired by Master Havelock-Allan, Master Floyd, Master Keene and Master Treasurer respectively. Each presentation was followed by a question and answer session and drinks reception where attendees were able to gain an insight into training, qualifying and life at the Bar. Feedback from students who attended has been overwhelmingly positive. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who kindly volunteered to speak at the presentations and attend the receptions to speak to students.

NEW PRACTITIONERS' ADVOCACY & ETHICS WEEKENDS

The Inn is running two residential NP Advocacy & Ethics weekends just outside London on the 23-25 April and the 11-13 June 2010. Each weekend is accredited for 17 CPD hours, including your advocacy and ethics NP requirement and costs £250. For further information or to request a booking form, please contact **Beth Phillips**.

LAW FAIRS

Over the Michaelmas term, Inner Temple has been represented at 20 Law and Careers Fairs throughout England and Wales. Hundreds of university students have had the opportunity to speak to members of staff from the Education and Training Department about pursuing a career at the Bar, Inner Temple's scholarships and education programmes and life at the Inn.

UNIVERSITY VOLUNTEERS

In an effort to reach out to as many capable undergraduate students as possible, Inner Temple is looking for barristers to act as liaisons for universities across the UK. This could involve disseminating information to campus contacts, making presentations when required, attending a career fair at the institution and acting as the key point of contact for queries from the institution about the profession. If you are an alumnus and local resident, a member of a governing board or have other ties to particular higher education institutions, we would particularly welcome your involvement. Please contact **Anthony Dursi**.

PUPIL SUPERVISOR BRIEFING SESSIONS 2010

Sessions to be held in London on:
Monday 15 February at Middle Temple
Monday 10 May at Inner Temple
Wednesday 7 July at Gray's Inn

In addition to attending a Briefing Session, applicants must complete a Pupil Supervisor Application Form. For more information on becoming a pupil supervisor, to book a session or obtain an application form please contact **Jennie Collis**.

EDUCATION & TRAINING DEPARTMENT

POLICE LIAISON SCHEME 2009/10: PROMOTING GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE BAR AND THE POLICE SERVICE

Bar students participating in this year's Inner Temple Police Liaison Scheme will shortly begin their visits to London police station. Participants will have the opportunity to accompany police officers on patrol, learn about police station procedures and the way in which incidents are dealt with. A special Criminal Investigation Department (CID) visit will also be piloted by Notting Hill police station.

For further information about the scheme please email **Megan McNutt**. Please note the scheme is now fully subscribed for students this academic year.

THE INNER TEMPLE MOOTING, DEBATING & DRAMA SOCIETIES

Once again, we are looking forward to another busy year of mooting and debating, as well as the events organised by the Drama and Student Associations. Both Mooting and Debating societies will be holding large Inter-Varsity events on the weekend of January 5-7 February 2010 as well as a range of other activities throughout the year. Up-and-coming dates are announced to students via email but as usual we need barristers and Benchers to help with judging. Would any volunteers, particularly those able to help over the weekend of 5-7 February, please contact **Eamonn O'Reilly**.

EDUCATION DAYS

Education Days will be held on Monday 22 February 2010 and Monday 22 March 2010. These two events are aimed exclusively at students studying the BVC at institutions outside London. Programmes involve talks with practitioners, mock trials, advocacy, discussion groups, demonstration cases and lectures given by leading legal practitioners. Full attendance of each day is worth two Qualifying Sessions. This is a great opportunity for students to become more engaged with the Inn and to meet and work with senior members. Each Education Day is followed by a Lecture night held on the same

day. Students at providers outside of London are strongly recommended to attend these sessions, the dates of which have been agreed in advance with BVC providers. If you would like to book, please contact **Elaina Soong**.

BARRISTERS WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If any barristers would be willing to lend a hand at the Education Days on these dates, please contact **Elaina Soong**.

PUPILLAGE ADVICE EVENING

This evening give students the opportunity to talk informally to barristers on a one-to-one basis about different areas of law and to receive advice on applying for pupillage. The next Pupillage Advice Evening will be held on 17 February 2010. If any barristers can spare an hour and a half (6-7.30pm) to offer pupillage advice to students at the drinks reception on the above date, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact **Eamonn O'Reilly**.

MOCK INTERVIEW SCHEME

The Mock Interview Scheme aims to help students develop their interview technique and build up confidence prior to pupillage interviews. This scheme is at its busiest in April/May and we are therefore seeking barristers to help out. If you are interested in participating as an interviewing barrister, please contact **Megan McNutt**.

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BPTC SCHOLARSHIP INTERVIEWS – URGENT REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

In 2008 and 2009 the Inn successfully interviewed every candidate who applied for an Inn scholarship. We would like to continue this policy in 2010 and as such we urgently need volunteers to help interview for the BPTC awards this academic year as we have received a record number of applications. The interviews will be held on Saturdays 13 and 20 March 2010. You should be over five years' Call and be in independent practice or work as an employed barrister. If you are willing to help please contact **Eamonn O'Reilly** to discuss what is involved more fully.

LEADING THE WAY IN ADVOCACY TRAINING

A DVD designed to train new advocacy trainers in the Hampel teaching method was launched on 12 November. Inner Temple, led by Master Leonard and Sarah Clarke, produced the DVD on behalf of the Advocacy Training Council with funding supplied by the BSB and other donors. Amongst others, the DVD "starred" a number of the Inn's dedicated advocacy trainers including Master Leonard, Master Simon Davis Sarah Clark, Peter Harrison QC and Jill Frances. Our thanks also go to Naomi Carpenter, Yasmeem Ul Haq and James McCreath for their Oscar-worthy acting performances!

ATTENTION INNER TEMPLE PUPILS!

If you have not yet notified the Inn of your pupillage, please do so immediately as you will need to complete the compulsory advocacy course which begins in the middle of January 2010! Failure to do so will result in you not being issued with a practising certificate.

The Inn will be holding a Refresher Evening (6pm-8.30pm) for pupils on Monday 15 March. This will be a final opportunity for you to practise your advocacy skills before embarking upon your second six. If you would like to attend, please contact **Beth Phillips**.



The Advocacy Training DVD launch

2010 CAR PARK CHARGES

ANNUAL PERMITS

Chambers Permit	£2,350
Members Permit	£2,150
Residents Permit	£1,100
Motorbike Permit	£330
DAILY PERMITS	£20
HALF DAY PERMITS	£11

Daily Permits and Half Day Permits can only be purchased on or prior to the day of parking.

NO PERMIT?

If you do not purchase a permit you will be charged for a full day £30.

All prices include VAT.

The Treasury Office is open for parking permit sales from 9am – 5pm, if the door is closed please ring the bell. Permits can also be purchased over the phone on 020 7797 8250 or by email carpark@innertemple.org.uk



LIBRARY NEWS

CURRENT AWARENESS WEBLOG SURVEY

The Current Awareness Weblog has been running for nearly two years and the Library is currently carrying out a user survey to learn more about how the service is being used, with a view to making future improvements. A link to the survey can be found via the News section of the Library's website.

The weblog aims to provide up-to-date information on new case law, changes in legislation and legal news which may be of interest to UK lawyers and law students. The content is selected and updated daily by Library staff. Each item is tagged with subject terms so that users can view in a single list all the items on a given topic.

LEGAL RESEARCH

A guide which aims to answer frequently asked legal research questions on treaties has recently been added to the Library's website. The guide includes suggestions for both print and electronic sources. This is the third in a series of FAQ guides produced by Library staff. The other two cover UK and EU case law and legislation.

NEW STAFF

Rebecca Ramsbottom joined the Library staff in November. She replaces Sarah Jones, who has left the Inn to take up a post of Support Librarian with the Welsh Assembly. Rebecca has been studying for an MA in Library and

Information Studies at University College London and previously worked as a graduate trainee at Lincoln's Inn Library.



SATURDAY OPENING

OPENING HOURS 10AM TO 5PM

CALENDAR

JANUARY - APRIL 2010

JANUARY

2 January	CLOSED
9 January	Lincoln's Inn
16 January	Middle Temple
23 January	Gray's Inn
30 January	Inner Temple

FEBRUARY

6 February	Lincoln's Inn
13 February	Middle Temple
20 February	Gray's Inn
27 February	Inner Temple

MARCH

6 March	Lincoln's Inn
13 March	Middle Temple
20 March	Gray's Inn
27 March	Inner Temple

APRIL

3 April	CLOSED
10 April	Lincoln's Inn
17 April	Middle Temple
24 April	Gray's Inn

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NEWS FROM THE GARDEN

ANDREA BRUNSENDORF, HEAD GARDENER

The Copenhagen Summit has filled the newspapers with relentless doom laden prophecies of the effect of climate change. At the same time the celebrations marking the publication of Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species* reminds us that we are where we are in the 21st century as a result of evolution, some of it 'natural', much man-made.

However, let's be more optimistic about the future than the media and a good place to start is in the Garden. After the mild autumn, the soil temperature is well above 7°C, which means we can still plant bulbs and spring bedding until the middle of January, and we can leave the tender plants in the ground for much longer. The majority of our tender species are in the Mediterranean border, which is far enough away from the buildings to avoid the wind tunnel effect and the slope enables the loamy soil to drain freely. I hope you have enjoyed the fabulous display of colour this autumn; the striking *Salvia confertiflora* from Brazil with red flower spikes, the Mexican *Salvia leucantha*, awash with extraordinarily fuzzy white-purple flowers, and the South African *Leonotis leonurus*, vibrant with orange whirls, which with luck will still be in flower in the New Year. We could gamble that the winter will be mild, but as an insurance policy against the

risk of a hard February frost, we will lift them before the end of January.

Last winter, I purposely did not take out *Salvia uliginosa*, *Salvia guaranitica*, *Salvia 'Indigo Spire'*, they all proved hardy, so this year I shall test the robustness of various species from Brazil, Mexico, the Canary Islands and South Africa. I suspect they will survive the cold, but the English wet may prove their downfall. Three hundred years ago, when the pubescent media warned of a new ice age, the Salvias would have withered long before the Thames froze at the edge of the Garden and London's citizens took to the ice at the Frost Fairs.

All of this means that the effect of climate change on the Inner Temple Garden enables us to grow a wider variety of plants over a longer period, but the most spectacular outcome is the flowering of our *Dahlia imperialis* in the High Border. It originates from Central America, is a 4.5m tree-dahlia with thick bamboo-like stems, and we are probably the only garden in the country to have it flowering out of doors. As they say in football – 'result'!



THE TEMPLE CHURCH 2010



For further details of Church events
please contact Henrietta Amodio,
020 7353 8559, or
henrietta@templechurch.com

SUN 3 JANUARY, 11.15 a.m.

MATTINS WITH HYMNS

SUN 10 JANUARY, 11.15 a.m.

CHORAL MATTINS: FIRST SUNG SERVICE OF THE YEAR

SUN 31 JANUARY, 11.15 a.m.

CHORAL COMMUNION

Followed by Congregational Lunch
in Inner Temple Hall.

To book, please contact Henrietta Amodio.

WED 17 FEBRUARY, 5.45 p.m.

CHORAL EVENSONG

(Men's Voices) Ash Wednesday.

FROM PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER

28 MARCH – 4 APRIL

A PROGRAMME OF MUSIC AND SERVICES.

Details to follow.

THURS 13 MAY, 5.45 p.m.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Ascension Day. Three Churches Choral
Evensong: Temple Church, St Bride's and St
Dunstan's-in-the-West. Followed by drinks in
the Master's Garden for the whole
congregation.

SUN 26 JUNE, 11.15 a.m.

CHORAL COMMUNION

To celebrate all the Marriages
conducted and blessed in the Temple Church
Followed by family lunch for all ages in Inner
Temple Hall. For further details, please contact
Henrietta Amodio.



STAFF NEWS

YESHIM HARRIS, the Deputy Sub Treasurer, is leaving the Inn after 11 years, having joined in 1998 as the Head of Education and Training. In her current role she played a major part in organising the 2008 Charter celebrations from the Open Days to the Royal Church service and Pegasus Celebration. We will miss her cheerful personality and business efficiency, and wish her, husband Nathan and baby Dhalya all the best for the future.



RICHARD SNOWDON joins as Director of Properties replacing Mark Johnston-Wood. Prior to joining, he spent the last 11 years with Workspace Group plc, where he was the Divisional Director for London overseeing a portfolio of over 100 properties.



THE HONOURABLE SOCIETY
OF THE INNER TEMPLE

Middle Temple



Equality and Diversity Awareness Training

An interactive workshop based on practical examples of the Equality Code in action and promoting vital awareness delivered by barristers for barristers.

5.30pm to 7pm followed by refreshments
1.5 CPD points. Free of charge, but booking required.
Open to members of all Inns and their clerks

Middle Temple: 18th Jan, 1st March, 17th May, 12th July 2010
To book contact Christa Richmond: c.richmond@middletemple.org.uk

Inner Temple: 3rd Feb, 14th April, 15th June 2010
To book contact Constance Asprey: casprey@innertemple.org.uk

This training model is recommended by the Bar Council and BSB for all members of the Bar and all clerks to promote effective client care and practice management.

DIARY

HILARY TERM 2010

JANUARY

- 4 Treasury Office Opens
- 7 Hall Opens
- 8 Senior Executives Committee
- 10 11.15am First Sung Service of the Term
Choral Mattins Temple Church
- 11 Hilary Law Sittings Begin**
Treasurer's Reception for Benchers
- 13 Treasurer's Reception for Staff
- 14 Education & Training Committee
- 18 Bar Liaison Committee**
Mentors' Dining Night
- 19 Executive Committee
Pegasus Scholarships Interviews
Pupils' Advocacy Introductory Evening
- 20 Council of the Inns of Court (IT)
Pegasus Scholarships Interviews
Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee
- 21 Pegasus Scholarship Interviews
- 25 Mixed Dining Night**
Student Societies Sub-Committee
- 26 Pupils' Case Analysis Session
- 27 Pension Scheme Trustees
- 28 Bench Table followed by**
Dinner for Benchers
- 29-31 Pupils' Advocacy Residential Weekend
- 31 11.15am Choral Communion Temple Church
followed by Congregational Lunch

FEBRUARY

- 2 Estates Committee
- 3 Books Sub-Committee
5.45 Choral Evensong
in the Temple Church:
Presentation of Christ
- 4 Investment Sub-Committee
Recruitment Sub-Committee
- 5-6 Intersarsity Debating Competition
- 7 Intersarsity Mooting Competition
- 8 Legal Academics Dinner
- 9 Schools Project: Becoming a Barrister...
your Call?
- 10 Library Committee**
Private Guest Night
- 11 Church Committee
- 12-14 Highgate House Weekend
- 13 Pupils' Advocacy Applications Day
- 15 Advocacy Training Committee
- 17 5.45pm Ash Wednesday: Choral Evensong
Temple Church
Pupillage Advice Evening
- 18 Benchers' Night**
Circuit Committee
- 19 Ordinary Dining Night**
- 20 Ordinary Dining Night**
Pupils' Advocacy Applications Day
- 21 Term Sunday Lunch**
- 22 Bar Liaison Committee**
Education Day and Lecture Night
(Rt Hon the Lord Neuberger
of Abbotsbury)
- 23 Executive Committee
- 24 Council of the Inns of Court (MT)
- 27 Pupils' Practice Management Course



MARCH

- 2 Estates Committee
- 4 Bench Table (Proposal Day)
- 5-7 Cumberland Lodge Weekend
- 8 Mentors' Dining Night**
- 11 Hilary Term Call Night**
- 13 BPTC Scholarships & Exhibitions Interviews
- 15 Pupils' Refresher Evening
- 16 Dinner to the Universities
- 17 Education and Training Committee
- 18 Amity Dinner for Lincoln's Inn**
- 19 Senior Executives Committee
- 20 BPTC Scholarships and Exhibitions Interviews
- 22 Education Day and Lecture Night (Master Webb)**
- 25 Church Committee
- 28-4 April From Palm Sunday to Easter:
Temple Church Services & Music
- 28 2.30pm Childrens' Easter Play in the Temple Church
- 29 Bar Liaison Committee
5.45 Holy Monday: Choral Evensong
Temple Church
- 30 Executive Committee
- 31 Council of the Inns of Court (GI)
Hilary Law Sittings End

APRIL

- 1 Hall Closes
- 1.15 Choral Communion

PROCEDURES FOR BOOKING MASTERS OF THE BENCH:

- ☐ Private Guest Nights: sign in and give the name of your guest in the Private Guest Night book in the Smoking Room, or contact: **Kate Peters**
- ☐ Call Nights: contact **Elaina Soong**
- ☐ Sunday Lunches not in Term contact **Henrietta Amodio**
- ☐ All other Dining Nights and Term Sunday Lunches: sign in the Book in the Smoking Room by 4.00pm on the day, or contact **Kate Peters**

MEMBERS OF HALL:

- ☐ Private Guest Nights: **Kate Peters**
- ☐ Call Nights: **Elaina Soong**
- ☐ Sunday Lunches not in Term: **Henrietta Amodio**
- ☐ All other Dining Nights and Term Sunday Lunches: **Kate Peters**
- ☐ All special dinners: **Kate Peters**

STUDENTS:

- ☐ Complete and return the application form to the Treasury Office

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TEMPLE CHURCH ORGAN FUND

For most visitors to the church, the organ is merely a collection of the twenty or so pipes that are visible from the chancel. In reality, it is a mammoth instrument containing around 3,500 wooden and metal pipes ranging from 32-ft in length to just a few inches, set into wooden soundboards.

Over time, wood warps, leather perishes and electrical wiring deteriorates; metal buckles, dirt falls into pipes, and thousands of small and intricate parts – often not accessible on a regular visit – have to be checked and repaired or renewed.

The commitment of the Inns to regular maintenance and tuning visits has enabled Harrison & Harrison to keep the Temple Church Organ in fine working order. However, the instrument now

needs a major – and expensive – overhaul. This must be done every forty to fifty years when the whole instrument must be dismantled, transferred to the organ builder's workshop, thoroughly cleaned, repaired and then reinstalled in the church. Every pipe will then be expertly voiced and regulated. This is a task of gigantic proportions, and will take place over a period of eighteen months between 2011 and 2013.

A temporary instrument will be installed in the interim. The organ should sound again in the Temple Church for Easter 2013.

The sum which is needed for this major, and crucial work is £750,000.

We hope that through the generosity of those who have attended and loved the Temple Church and its music, as well as through those who may come to recognise the value and history of this beautiful and numinous place, future generations will benefit from and enjoy this remarkable instrument.

Those who would consider helping further with this daunting task, as generously as they feel able, please contact Penny Jonas on organappeal@templechurch.com or 020 7427 5640. She would be delighted to explore possibilities with you.



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