

PRESS INFORMATION

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The Morality of New War

Giles Fraser to deliver the 2012 Sarum Theological Lectures, 30 April – 3 May

This year's annual Sarum Theological Lectures will address the most pressing questions facing war, conflict and Christianity in the 21st century.

The series on the Morality of New War (30 April to 3 May) will be delivered by the Revd Dr Giles Fraser, who lectures on ethics and leadership at the Defence Academy at Shrivenham.

Among the issues the lectures will address are:

- With the rise of asymmetric warfare, does the traditional understanding of Just War theory work in the 21st century?
- Does human rights legislation have a place on the battlefield?
- Has secularisation undermined the moral substructure of the British army?

Fraser is priest-in-charge at St Mary's Newington in south London (announced 1 April) and the former canon chancellor of St Paul's Cathedral. He is a frequent media contributor, including Church Times, The Guardian and Radio 4's Thought For The Day.

The lectures are held on four consecutive evenings beginning on Monday 30 April through Thursday 3 May. All start at 7pm in Salisbury Cathedral.

Accommodation is available in Sarum College for those who wish to combine the lectures with a residential stay in the Salisbury Cathedral Close.

Lecture tickets are £7 each, or £24 for the series of four. To buy tickets and/or arrange accommodation, please contact Sarum College on 01722 424800 or info@sarum.ac.uk. Information is also available on our website www.sarum.ac.uk.

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Photographs

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The Sarum Theological Lecture is an annual series of evening lectures designed to make accessible to a wide audience the work of specialists in a variety of fields in the study of theology.

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