



## The St Giles' Centre: changes in the Directorate

Following Gavin Craigen's retirement from the post of Director of the St Giles' Centre in Wrexham, the Management Committee of the St Mary's and St Giles' Centre Trust has instigated some important changes in the Directorate. The changes are designed to ensure that the two Centres, the St Giles' Centre and the St Mary's Centre, continue to work closely together and that in Wrexham the St Giles' Centre is able to give a strong lead in each of the two fields defined by its mission statement: supporting religious education through schools and supporting faith development through churches.

The Revd Prebendary Professor Michael West remains Honorary Director of the St Giles' Centre and the Revd Canon Professor Leslie J Francis remains Honorary Director of the St Mary's Centre. Together they are responsible for working with the Management Committee to oversee the unique strategic direction of each Centre and to facilitate collaboration to the mutual benefit of both Centres.

Dr Tania ap Sion has been appointed as Executive Director for Religious Education in the St Giles' Centre, while remaining Executive Director of the St Mary's Centre. This ensures that both Centres benefit from Dr Tania ap Sion's unique experience and expertise in the field and from her close connections with the wider religious education community throughout Wales. Dr Tania ap Sion will work closely with Ms Libby Jones who has been appointed as Research and Development Officer for Religious Education at the St Giles' Centre. This appointment builds on Ms Jones' extensive experience of classroom teaching



Dr Tania ap Sion



Ms Libby Jones

in schools and her recent experience of working within the advisory services offered by the Wrexham Local Authority. The close relationship between the St Giles' Centre and the Wrexham Local Authority continues to grow and develop with these changes.

The Revd Mary Stallard has been appointed as Executive Director for

Faith Development in the St Giles' Centre. This ensures that the St Giles' Centre remains closely linked with the Anglican churches in Wrexham as well as within the wider Diocese of St Asaph and within the local ecumenical scene.



The Revd Mary Stallard