

Telegraph Media Group new appointments

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Telegraph Media Group announces the following appointments:

George Pitcher has been appointed **Religion Editor** for The Telegraph. He will be writing regularly for *The Daily Telegraph*, *The Sunday Telegraph* and *Telegraph.co.uk*. George is Curate at St Bride's and was ordained a priest in 2006. George is a former industrial editor of The Observer and has held a variety of posts as a commentator and columnist in newspapers and magazines. He co-founded the PR firm Luther Pendragon in which he sold his interest in 2005.

George will be working with a newly formed integrated religious affairs team comprising Martin Beckford, Religious Affairs Correspondent for *The Daily Telegraph*. Jonathan Wynne-Jones, Religious Affairs Correspondent for *The Sunday Telegraph*. Damian Thompson will continue with his popular blog Holy Smoke and regular contributions to the newspaper and website comment pages. Sacred Mysteries from Christopher Howse remains a strong favourite with our readers.

William Lewis, Editor-in-Chief, said:

"I am delighted that George has returned to full time journalism with The Telegraph. His appointment combines long standing experience of journalism and first hand knowledge of not just the Anglican Church but also other major religious networks. The changes to the team will help ensure that the Telegraph remains the must read, both in paper and online, for all those interested in religious affairs."

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