

Space in the City: Lent 2010

Bishop Peter Selby

Mammon's Revenge:

the global finance crisis, its roots and its results

O God, Maker of the heavens and the earth,
all that we have is your gift.

You have enabled us to create money, to be an instrument of
trade for our wellbeing.

Make us wise stewards of this and every gift,
so that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with
you, our God

3 March **The System Money Drives**

Some critical shifts

Crisis and bailout – a study of Matthew 18.23-35.

Quantitative shifts: oil price rises and their effects

Technical shifts: computerisation, 'plastic money' and
instantaneous transfers

Power shifts: who creates money now?

Attitudinal shifts: National debt and personal debt; home 'ownership',
student loans & debt as way of life.

Gambling: the co-opting of churches and charities & how the poor
pay for opera houses and church repairs.

Remuneration, expenses, bonuses.

A new meaning for 'markets: 'From transparent competitive
environment to progressive distancing of productive processes –
'people making money out of people making money out of people
making ... what?'

Between 1pm and 1.15 there will be a question and answer session chaired by Debbie Thrower.

If you need to leave at one o'clock, please slip out quickly and quietly.

All are welcome to have a sandwich lunch and to browse the book table in the Rear Hall

Further Reading:

Peter Selby: *Grace and Mortgage* 1997 (reissued 2009)

AVAILABLE HERE TODAY!

John Atherton *Christianity and the Market*, 1992

Benedict XVI *Caritas in Veritate*, Papal Encyclical, 2009

Doctrine Commission of C of E *Being Human*, 2003

Ulrich Duchrow *Alternatives to Global Capitalism*, 1994

Tarek El Diwany *The Problem with Interest*, 2003

Richard W Gillett *The New Globalization*, 2005

Philip Goodchild *Theology of Money*, 2007

Timothy J Gorringer *Capital and Kingdom*, 1993

Bob Goudzwaard *et al. Beyond Poverty and Affluence*, 1991

Stephen Green *Good Value: Reflections on Money, Morality and an Uncertain World*, 2009

Michael Rowbotham *The Grip of Death: A Study of Modern Money, Debt Slavery and Destructive Economics*, 1998

Stefano Zamagni *The Catholic Ethos and the Spirit of Capitalism: The Lesson and Warning of a Crisis Foretold*, 2001

10 March **Putting money in its Place**

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