

Women to overtake men

The Church of England will ordain more women than men in 2005, according to a new official projection from the Church of England.

Ten years after the first ordinations of women, synod members are still pulling in different directions over the issue of women. The Ven. Richard Atkinson, archdeacon of Leicester, said that the growing number of women priests is a sign that the Church is "moving to completeness", and that the case for women bishops is "overwhelming".

But Lay Synod member Margaret Brown, who co-founded Women against the Ordination of Women in 1992, however, warned that "going down this road will see God becoming a Goddess".

As for those signs found outside churches...

- ⇒ Church car park sign... FOR MEMBERS ONLY. Trespassers will be baptised!!
- ⇒ No God - No Peace. Know God - Know Peace.
- ⇒ Free Trip to heaven. Details Inside!
- ⇒ Searching for a new look? Have your faith lifted here!
- ⇒ Outside one church is a picture of two hands holding stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments are inscribed. A headline reads: 'For fast relief, take two tablets.'
- ⇒ Come in and pray today. Beat the Christmas rush!
- ⇒ Thursday at 10am there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All those wishing to become little Mothers are welcome to meet our new minister in the vicarage...

Adoption is...

An infants class was discussing a picture of a family. One little boy in the picture had a different colour hair than the other family members. One child suggested that he was adopted and a little girl said, "I know all about adoptions because I was adopted."

"What does it mean to be adopted?" asked another child.

"It means," said the girl, "that you grew in your mummy's heart instead of her tummy."