



An Anchor of Hope

How one man's business acumen, determination and faith dramatically changed the fortunes for a struggling East London charity.

Tuesday, September 23, 6:30pm

Keith Fernett is Director of **Caritas Anchor House**, an award winning and nationally acclaimed residential and life skills centre in the heart of London's east end. We will listen to Keith, as well as Fr. John Armitage, who can relate the

history of the Centre. We will also have the opportunity to meet and listen to some of the

guests at Anchor House.

Formerly an old seamen's hostel close to the docks, Caritas Anchor House teetered on the edge of closure in 2004. Keith was invited to bring his extensive experience of change management and troubleshooting in both the public and private





sector to sail the organisation to safety and on to national success.

Today Caritas Anchor House is an innovative and pivotal organisation in one of the most deprived areas of England.

"Anchor House is the antidote to compassion fatigue" Jeremy Paxman Journalist and Broadcaster

"A jewel in the Catholic service to the wider community" The Tablet Catholic weekly



We will meet at Conway Hall at 5:30 and depart from Waterloo via the Jubilee Line. Afterwards, we will stop for dinner at Pizza Express on Southbank for a meal.

RSVP to Judy: jhutchinson@nd.edu by THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18. Group size limited.