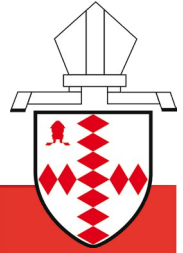


# NOTICEBOARD



*News and Events from the Diocese of Southwark  
FEBRUARY 2023*

## The Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call 2023

This year, the theme for the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call is Mental Health and Well-being. Focusing on two projects from each of the Episcopal Areas and projects from our Link Dioceses in Zimbabwe and Jerusalem the material is designed to help us all to keep a good Lent.

The material encourages those in our parishes and schools to pray for and give to the projects that have been chosen by the Areas and in our Link Dioceses.

These are:

- **Week 1: The Diocese of Jerusalem**  
The Arab Episcopal Medical Centre, Ramallah, Palestine
- **Week 2: The Croydon Episcopal Area**  
Whyteleafe Community Hub | Ment4
- **Week 3: The Kingston Episcopal Area**  
The Fircroft Trust | The Man Shed | The AT Beacon Project
- **Week 4: The Woolwich Episcopal Area**  
MumSpace and Espacio Mamá | The Front Room Club
- **Week 5: Dioceses in Zimbabwe**  
Nutritional gardens, clinics, clergy well-being and conferences | Look North | St Werburgh Clinic | Shepherding the Soul and Mental Health

Bishop Christopher hopes that you will want to support them in the coming weeks. Please display the project sheets and posters in your churches and schools and please ask the Communications Department if you would like more copies at [communications@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:communications@southwark.anglican.org) or go to our website <https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/events/lent-call/>, where you can find the resources and materials for this year, information on how to give, along with Lent Call blogs and videos from previous years.

*The Bridge* - next issue will be live on 6 February at [southwark.anglican.org/the-bridge](https://southwark.anglican.org/the-bridge)

# PERSONNEL

## CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

**The Revd Madeleine Miller**, at present holder of the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate was commissioned as Chaplain of King's College School, Wimbledon, on 5 January, by the Archdeacon of Lambeth.

**The Revd Canon Simon Butler**, at present Vicar of Battersea, St Mary, was commissioned also as Area Dean of Battersea on 22 January by the Bishop of Southwark.

**The Revd Lindiwe Maseko**, at present Curate of Deptford, St John, Holy Trinity & Ascension, was licensed as Team Vicar (0.5) of Kingston Team Ministry, on 24 January, by the Archdeacon of Wandsworth.

**The Revd Jonathan Macneaney**, at present holder of the Bishop of London's Permission to Officiate, was instituted as Vicar of Balham, St Mary & St John the Divine, on 30 January, by the Bishop of Southwark.

**The Revd Gary Jenkins**, at present holder of the Bishop's Permission to Officiate (interim), is to be licensed as Dean of Estates Ministry (Public Preachers License), on 4 February, by the Bishop of Southwark.

**The Revd Tomos Reed**, at present Curate of South Dulwich, St Stephen, is to be collated as Vicar of Croydon, Holy Saviour, on 9 February, by the Bishop of Croydon.

**The Revd Robert Wright**, at present Team Vicar of Cheltenham North, Pittville, Elmstone Hardwicke, Prestbury and Swindon in the Diocese of Gloucester, is to be instituted as Vicar of Kennington Park, St Agnes, on 24 March, by the Bishop of Southwark.

## RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS

**The Revd Sheridan James**, at present Vicar of Hatcham, St Catherine, is to resign on 12 February, to take up the post of Canon Pastor at St Davids Cathedral, in the Diocese of St Davids (Wales).

**The Revd Jerry Garton**, at present Vicar of Caterham Valley, St John the Evangelist, is to retire on 28 February.

**The Revd Paul Roberts**, presently Rector of Old Coulsdon, St John the Divine, is to retire on 31 August.

## PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE

**The Revd Kevin Parkes**, previously Hospital Chaplain for Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust, was granted the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate on 1 November 2022.

**The Revd Cameron Barker**, previously Hospital Chaplain of Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust, was granted the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate, on 7 December 2022.

**The Revd Bello Mahilum**, previously Hospital Chaplain of Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust, was granted the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate on 7 December 2022.

**The Revd Gerard Mee**, previously Assistant Hospital Chaplain of Ashford & St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, was granted the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate on 7 December 2022.

**The Revd Paul Wright**, presently holder of the Bishop of Rochester's Permission to Officiate, was also granted the Bishop of Southwark's Permission to Officiate, on 7 December 2022.

## CLERGY VACANCIES

### KINGSTON AREA

#### WANDSWORTH ARCHDEACONRY

All Saints w Holy Trinity, Wandsworth:  
Vicar. Closing date: 17 February;  
Interviews: 1 March. [Church Society]

### CROYDON AREA

#### REIGATE ARCHDEACONRY

South Beddington & Roundshaw:  
Vicar. Closing date: 6 February 2023;  
Interviews: 9 March 2023. [The Bishop]

Limpsfield & Tatsfield Team Ministry:  
Team Vicar, Limpsfield Team (special responsibility as Vicar, St Mary's Church & Children & Families Worker across the Team Ministry). Closing date: 17 February; Interviews: 20 March. [The Bishop]

Betchworth & Buckland United  
Benefice: Rector. Closing date: 20 March 2023; Interviews 20 April 2023. [Dean & Chapter of Windsor and All Soul's College Oxford (jointly)]

Wallington, Springfield Church: Minister in Charge. Closing date: 17 April 2023; Interviews 30 May 2023. [No Patron]

## Consecration Service for the Bishops of Ebbsfleet, Hertford, & Kingston

*Thursday 2 February, 2pm*

The Consecration of The Revd Canon Dr Martin Gainsborough as Bishop of Kingston will be livestreamed. If you would like to watch it go to the Canterbury Cathedral's YouTube channel: <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLPWrcHf2bXYH2StzZZyAQ8ZQwJrfBSV9>

## OTHER VACANCIES

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN** in conjunction with the Parish of St John the Divine, Kennington. Stipend and housing allowance

**Closing date: 13 February**

They are seeking to appoint a priest chaplain to a popular, inclusive CofE secondary school in Camberwell. The chaplain will exercise an inclusive catholic ministry which is pastoral, offering spiritual leadership amongst students and staff of the school, working in close collaboration with the Principal.

For application pack and job description contact HR Manager Lisa-Marie Jones at: [recruitment@saintgabrielscollege.org](mailto:recruitment@saintgabrielscollege.org), 0207 793 3900. Contact the Principal, Nick Butler on 07515 850494 or the Vicar, Canon Mark Williams on 020 7735 9340 for more information.

### Toc H All Hallows Trust Seeks to appoint a Secretary / Treasurer

This is a small Christian Trust and are seeking someone to help the Trustees ensure that this historic Trust is fit for purpose in today's setting. The successful person will need to be well organised and flexible, financially and IT literate, able to work from home and able to attend twice yearly meetings.

The Trust supports people with links to Toc H or All Hallows by the Tower who are training for ordained Christian ministry by making small book grants to ordinands and arranging a Pilgrimage visit to Talbot House in Poperinge, Belgium.

**Salary: £1,400 pa + £200** for admin of Poperinge Pilgrimages and all expenses incurred on behalf of the Trust.

If you are interested contact Revd Fiona Weaver [tochallhallows@gmail.com](mailto:tochallhallows@gmail.com)

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### Well-being Retreats

*Two opportunities in Lent to take time for prayer and reflection with themes around wellbeing*

**Monday 13 - Wednesday 15 March**

**Water in the Wilderness:** *a clergy well-being retreat in Lent.* Led by the Revd Canon Leanne Roberts, Dean of Clergy Well-being. More details can be found at:

<https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/events/whats-on/water-in-the-wilderness-a-clergy-wellbeing-retreat/>

**Tuesday 21 - Friday 24 March**

**Wisdom for Life: Connection, Resilience and Growth.** Led by the Venerable John Kiddle, Archdeacon of Wandsworth. This retreat is available to clergy and licensed lay ministers. More details can be found at:

<https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/events/whats-on/wisdom-for-life-a-clergy-wellbeing-retreat/>

These retreats will be held at Wychcroft Retreat Centre, Bletchingley, RH1 4NE. To make enquiries or book your place, email: [learning@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:learning@southwark.anglican.org)

### Leaders who Lunch & Learn

**Wednesday 8 February, 12 noon, Zoom**

To all women Clergy, Readers and SPAs in Southwark Diocese. The Gilmore Fund Committee is delighted to welcome Dr Paula Gooder at the next *Lunch and Learn*. She will talk about her new book *Lydia: a story*, and there will be a chance to ask questions and discuss. Everything you need to know is in this link, where you can also sign up: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/leaders-who-lunch-and-learn-paula-gooder-on-lydia-tickets-525492210347>

### Leading Ecclesial Change and growth in congregations

The course centres on two and a half days of intensive studies in Bergen:

**28 August - 1 September**

and two and a half days of intensive studies in the UK:

**30 October - 3 November**

The Diocese of Southwark is linked with the Diocese of Bergen and in 2019 Southwark Diocese took part in a very exciting initiative in which clergy from the Diocese shared with clergy from Norway in a course concerning this at NLA University College, Bergen, Norway. This time there will be clergy from Southwark, Bergen (Björgvin) Norway, Newcastle (UK) and Møre (Norway) and they will join with students studying for ministry at the NLA University College.

The course provides deep theoretical and methodological insight into what it means to lead change and growth in local congregations, drawing on the experiences of the clergy in both contexts.

The clergy from Southwark who attended the course in 2019 found huge benefits for their ministries.

It is hoped that Southwark clergy can use their CME money to pay for most of the course. If you are interested in attending contact Revd Canon Wendy Robins at: [wendy.robins@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:wendy.robins@southwark.anglican.org)

### Save the Date for the Diocesan Clergy Study Day

Bishop Christopher will hold a Clergy Study Day at Southwark Cathedral on **Wednesday 4 October**. Please save this date in your diary. More details will follow shortly.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### Croydon Leaders' Event

**Saturday 7 March, 10am - 1pm**  
**St Mildred, Addiscombe, free**

Bishop Rosemarie and the CYP Team would like to invite all leaders from the Croydon Episcopal Area who support ministry with children and young people aged 8-19 to this event, to share stories, hopes, challenges and ideas and build connection with other leaders in this ministry and with the Bishop and Archdeacons. To book: [bit.ly/3Ff3E2v](http://bit.ly/3Ff3E2v)

### To Retired Clergy in the Kingston Episcopal Area

**Monday 24 April, 12noon, St John the Baptist, Church Road, Worcester Park KT4 7RZ**

There will be a Eucharist on Monday 24 April at St John the Baptist Church. Coffee at 11.30am, Eucharist at 12 noon, followed by lunch.

An Archdeacon will be the Celebrant and Preacher. This invitation is to all retired clergy, both with and without PTO. Please do bring your spouse, partner or friend. Lunch is provided. RSVP to the Kingston Area Retirement Officer The Revd Pam Stevenson, [revpamstevenson@gmail.com](mailto:revpamstevenson@gmail.com) giving your name and the name of your guest

### Woolwich Area Lay Conference: Walking through walls

**Saturday 1 April, 10am - 4pm,**  
**Ark All Saints CofE Academy**

How to break through barriers to inspire and equip the people of God to serve Him better. For Lay People in the Woolwich Episcopal Area. To book: [bit.ly/3HJ6FKY](http://bit.ly/3HJ6FKY)

### To Retired Clergy in the Kingston Episcopal Area

**Monday 13 February, 11am, St John the Baptist, Church Road, Worcester Park KT4 7RZ**

The next meeting of the Kingston Group for Retired Clergy will be on Monday 13 February. A speaker will be announced shortly. There will be a bring and share lunch. All retired clergy welcome, plus spouses, partners, friends.

RSVP to the Kingston Area Retirement Officer, the Revd Pam Stevenson, [revpamstevenson@gmail.com](mailto:revpamstevenson@gmail.com) giving your name and the name of your guest.

### Choral Evensong - 300th anniversary of the death of Sir Christopher Wren

**Saturday, 25 February, 4.00pm,**  
**Chapel of St Peter & St Paul, Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich**

Everyone is very welcome to the special service of Choral Evensong to mark the 300th anniversary of the death of Sir Christopher Wren (1632-1723) and forms part of the wider 'Wren300' celebrations taking place across the country.

The Chapel Choir will sing music by Purcell, Howells, and Parry. The preacher will be the Revd Prof William Whyte, Professor of Social and Architectural History at the University of Oxford.

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## EXTERNAL EVENTS

### Racial Justice Sunday 2023 Stephen Lawrence

**Sunday 12 February**

Racial Justice Sunday resources are produced by CTBI's sponsoring churches. The resource for 2023 will provide opportunities to pray and take action on racial justice-related matters and can be found here: <https://ctbi.org.uk/racial-justice-sunday-2023-stephen-lawrence/>

If your parish is organising an event to mark *Racial Justice Sunday*, send us the details for the next edition of The Bridge at [bridge@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:bridge@southwark.anglican.org).

### Racial Justice Advocacy Forum (RJAF) Service

**Wednesday 15 February, 7.30pm,  
Bloomsbury Central Baptist  
Church, 235 Shaftsbury Avenue,  
London WC2H 8EP**

The Racial Justice Advocacy Forum (RJAF) will be officially launched at a service on the 15 February. In the short time that the RJAF has been in operation it has effectively advanced racial justice with and sometimes on behalf of historical churches. With support from Revd Les Isaac (OBE), Professor Robert Beckford, Amie Buhari, Bishop Mike Royal, Dr Eleasah Louis, Alexander Douglas, Rhaea Russell-Cartwright, Tabatha Crook, Sarah-Jane Adjei, Joshua Hudson-Roberts, Bevan Powell and Antonette Brooks, the RJAF launch will be an inspiring and challenging evening during which the RJAF will set out its agenda over the next few years.

To attend register here: <https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/646813/Racial-Justice-Advocacy.aspx>

### Friends of the Holy Land

**Thursday 16 February, 7.30pm,  
Westminster Cathedral, Victoria  
Street, London SW1P 1LT**

The Friends of the Holy Land presents *The London Welsh Male Voice Choir* charity concert in Support of Christians in The Holy Land with Guest Soloists *The Priests*.

Tickets can be bought through Eventbrite, search *LWMVC Concert at Westminster Cathedral*, or by calling the office: 01926 512980.

More info: [www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/westminster-concert2023](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/westminster-concert2023)

Tickets £20, £30, £40 and £60

### Hope for the Future: God at Work

**Friday 3, 7pm and Saturday 4  
March, 8pm, Zoom**

The Church Mission Society is holding a Southern conference online. A gathering to hear from people in mission and be encouraged by ways that God is at work at the edges.

To book your place, email Jane Fulford at: [janecfulford6@gmail.com](mailto:janecfulford6@gmail.com), or call: 01189 695039, 07764 947495.

### Becoming a Net Zero Carbon Church

**28 February, 4-5pm [bit.ly/3YcOJ0H](https://bit.ly/3YcOJ0H)  
2 March, 12 -1pm [bit.ly/3X9CWj7](https://bit.ly/3X9CWj7)**

This webinar will help your church get started on becoming a net zero carbon. Plus inspiring examples from churches around the country. The speaker will be Catherine Ross, who led on net zero carbon for the Cathedral and Church Buildings Division.



# NOTICES

## Have you heard of the Bishop's Advisory Group for Liturgy?

The group (known as the BAGL) was set up six years ago to study, discuss and advise the Bishop on topics relating to liturgical practice in Southwark. In so doing it hopes to serve the whole Diocese, and the wider church.

It has a dozen members, lay and ordained, reflecting the range of worship styles that enrich the Diocese. Liturgy is understood literally, as a compound of two Greek roots: *ho laos*, the crowd or people; to *ergon*, work. Liturgy is 'people work': what we do together when we gather for prayer and worship.

Besides advising on technical questions, the group has composed liturgy for different occasions, including prayers for Creationtide, responses to COVID, and material for re-opening churches. Its output is here: <https://southwark.anglican.org/support/ministry-support/liturgical-resources/>.

Easter sees the launch of the most recent piece of work the Bishop has commissioned, a simple form of agape meal for use in a family setting. The aim is to resource families to pass on the faith at home.

If you would like to know more about the group's work, or would be interested in getting involved, contact the chair, The Revd Joshua Rey at: [mail@joshuarey.com](mailto:mail@joshuarey.com)

St John The Baptist Catford is looking to remove its **Hayward Corona** (3.75 meters at its widest diameter). If your church is interested in providing a home for it, please contact Revd Peter Organ [revpeterorgan@gmail.com](mailto:revpeterorgan@gmail.com) for more details.

## Gilmore Grants

The Gilmore Fund is open to grant applications from women in ministry in the Southwark Diocese. They consider all applications for courses, projects, retreats, etc; which will enhance your ministry but the funds are limited so do give as much detail as you can of the costs and how you and the wider church will benefit.

Applications can be found here: <https://southwark.anglican.org/support/for-our-churches/grants/>. Email completed forms to: [gilmoregrants@gmail.com](mailto:gilmoregrants@gmail.com).

**Deadline to submit the application is 10 May.** Do apply for funds if you have a suitable retreat or project coming up before then.

## Diocesan Confirmation

The Diocesan Confirmation Services for 2023 at Southwark Cathedral will take place on 27 May and 25 November at 4pm. Parishes wishing to put forward candidates should be in touch with Tom Bridges at: [tom.bridges@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:tom.bridges@southwark.anglican.org).

## Windrush grants

Near Neighbours has launched this year's *Windrush Day Grant Scheme* to support groups to commemorate, celebrate and educate people about the contribution of the Windrush generation and their descendants across communities in our country. Applications are open to registered charities, exempt charities, CICs, social enterprises, and community benefit societies, as well as local authorities. For more details go to:

- Website: [bit.ly/3RhXO6m](https://bit.ly/3RhXO6m)
- Twitter: [bit.ly/3HGmwJL](https://bit.ly/3HGmwJL)
- Facebook: [bit.ly/3DtGLxj](https://bit.ly/3DtGLxj)

## Bishop Rosemarie writes...

'The end of January in the Christian calendar mops up the last vestiges of the Christmas and Epiphany Season, and after the service of Candlemas, in some churches the figures from the Christmas tableau will finally be packed away. Our gaze then moves from the crib to the cross, as the journey from Christmas joins with the journey towards Easter. Before we get there however, there are a few weeks of what is euphemistically called ordinary time.

That word ordinary was much in my mind on January 27 as we commemorated the ordinary people who were very much a part of the extraordinary horrors of the Shoah, the genocidal murder of over 6 million Jewish people and millions of others ordinary people deemed subhuman by the Nazi power regime. Sometimes when we review extraordinary events from the perspective of history, we too easily forget that those involved, both victims and perpetrators, were ordinary people for the most - just like us.

Over these next few weeks of

ordinary time, a number of events will take place, some so taken for granted we often overlook their effect on us and the world around and others much more extraordinary and impactful. The days will slowly brighten, the news buds of spring will break forth, the birdsong more voluble as they return from foreign climes. New ministries, lay and ordained, will begin in our churches, and in the Kingston Area, as the new bishop of Kingston, Bishop Martin, will be consecrated on Candlemas day. Gold will give way to green, and then to purple as we move towards Lent. We will once again hear the call to ordinary people, fisherfolk, tax collectors and sinners, to follow the God made manifest in Christ, on the road and to the cross.

But all that is yet to come, and for now, we enter February still looking to the light that has come to lighten the gentiles "A glory dawns in every dark place, the light of Christ, the fullness of grace".

*Rosemarie Gordon*