

Bishop Christopher is delighted to share news that **The Revd Jonathan Croucher will become the new Archdeacon of Chelmsford**, succeeding the Venerable Elizabeth Snowden who retired in October last year. Jonathan currently serves in the Diocese of Southwark where he is Vicar of Christ Church Gipsy Hill, Priest in Charge of Emmanuel West Dulwich and Area Dean of Lambeth South.

Commenting on his appointment as Archdeacon of Chelmsford, the Revd Jonathan Croucher said: "I am delighted to have been invited by Bishop Guli to serve as Archdeacon of Chelmsford. I grew up, was educated, came to faith and was married in the Bradwell Episcopal Area so I have a real sense of coming home.

I am greatly looking forward to working with Archdeacon Mike and Bishop (designate) Adam in serving the clergy and parishes of the Area and particularly getting to know and getting involved with the people and churches across the Chelmsford Archdeaconry. It has been a privilege and joy to serve the wonderful community of Gipsy Hill for 11 years and to have supported the churches of Lambeth South as Area Dean for the last five years."

The Revd Jonathan Croucher was ordained in 2004 whilst working as a partner and then COO of a European law firm, Taylor Wessing LLP. He served as a self supporting minister at the Church of the Good Shepherd and St Peter, Lee in the Diocese of Southwark between 2004 and 2008 before joining St Michael and All Angels Blackheath Park where he moved into full time parish ministry.

He has served as Vicar at Christ Church Gipsy Hill since 2012, with additional responsibility as Priest in Charge of Emmanuel West Dulwich since 2021. Jonathan was Area Dean for Lambeth South for five years from 2018 and is currently the Chair of Trustees of St Augustine's College of Theology. He is married to Yvette and they have four children who are at (or have recently left) university.

St. Mark's Church Hall, 10th September directly after the Parish Mass – **Fundraising Breakfast** (English or Caribbean) **£5** eat-in or takeaway. For more info, please see Margaret Hall and/or Curlette.

Welcome to the United Benefice of Holy Innocents & St. Mark, South Norwood

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



3rd September 2023

Vicar: The Revd. Canon Roxanne F. Eversley Asst. Priest: Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley Reader: Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

Jeremiah 15.15-21 * Psalm 26.1-8 * Romans 12.9-21 * Matthew 16.21-28

Access online worship via www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is usually available on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or 07723 038215 or at <u>mtrroxanne@gmail.com</u> but N/A on Mondays. *Mother Roxanne will be away from 4-8 September inclusive*. Mother Susan is contactable on 07890 780572; and she's not available on Fridays.

<u>We pray:</u> for Archbishops Justin and Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese - Christopher, Karowei, Rosemarie and Martin.

For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; **and** of The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

For the Diocesan Board of Education Roz

Cordner (Director & General Secretary to the Board) and all who work at the Union Street Office.

For the sick – Jennifer & Reuben, Rose, Caroline, Susan, Pauline and Mick, Sigi, Marie-Gabrielle, Colin (Castle), Carmen, Rodney, Marina, Linda, Fred, Peter, Kay, Simon, Alec and Naomi.

The bereaved – the Henry & Dempster, Prince, Appiah and Gaisey families.

The recently departed – Mrs Gee Henry, Alison Prince and George Kojo Appiah. *Years Mind.*

This year's Croydon North Deanery Confirmation will take place at St. Mark's Church at 5pm on

Sunday I* October. In this regard and for those aged II and upwards, who wish to be confirmed, please note that Confirmation Classes continue at 6pm on Wednesday 6th September and will conclude on Wednesday 27th September.

For those who wish to be confirmed but are unable to meet on Wednesdays, then please let Mother Roxanne know and she will be able to make alternative arrangements to meet.