

The Bishop of Southwark, in consultation with the parish representatives and the Patronage Board, has appointed me to the post of Team Rector of Barnes in the Deanery of Richmond and Barnes, subject to the usual legal formalities. It is anticipated that the family and I will move to Barnes in early July and that I will be instituted at St Mary's by the Bishop of Kingston on Monday 22 July, 7.30pm.

It will be a huge wrench for the family and me to move from the mission community and this part of the world. However as the bible says "to everything there is a season" and I believe this is the right time to move on. There will be time in due course to say our goodbyes, but I will always be grateful for the wonderful support you have given me in the mission community.

My last Sunday here will be 30th June. I will be working with the churchwardens and Benedict and ministry team to plan ahead so that the mission community is well prepared for the vacancy, until a new Team Rector is appointed.