

7 JULY 2024

Dear Friends

We welcome the Rev'd Castro Adieabah who will lead our Eucharist on Sunday at 10.30. The Rev'd Castro will be our locum through to 4 August, whereafter our church will be closed for summer.

3 July is the feast day of Thomas the Apostle. St Thomas preached the gospel throughout the Middle East and India. He is the patron saint of India. The painting by Peter Paul Rubens depicts his martyrdom in 72 A.D., killed by a spear.

Thanks to Carol and her team of grillers and volunteers the BBQ was again a splendid success, enjoyed by around 55 on the day, with tasty leftovers for a shared lunch after church, and raising a very welcome €526 for the church.



Rupert Dodds

Lay Vice Chair and Treasurer

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Introducing the Rev'd Castro Adieabah

Ordained in 2010, Father Castro was the youngest Anglican priest ever to be ordained in Ghana. Fr Castro is a full-time faculty member of St. Nicholas Seminary (Anglican, Ghana) where he lectures in systematic theology, Christian Liturgy and Sacramental theology. He is also a member of the Internal Province of Ghana IpG, Strategic planning and Development committee. He has served as parish priest in the Diocese of Sekondi, where he led the establishment of a foodbank in Ellembelle during the pandemic, photographed below.





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He has spent much of the last four years at the Franciscan Ecumenical Institute in Venice where he was attached to St George's Anglican Church, Venice. Father Castro has four children aged between 13 and 4 with his wife, Sophia. He is delighted to assist us as locum in Milan, and we are equally delighted to welcome him.

Robert's curacy

When Robert last presided at All Saints', at Pentecost, he surprised us with the announcement his 3-year curatorship was ending on 4th July, and he did not know what the future held.

Robert has subsequently received a "Permission to Officiate" from our Bishop as our Assistant Chaplain through to 31 December 2024. He has a little more certainty of his immediate future, and we continue to benefit from his ministry. Robert tells us:

"The 4th July, besides being the UK election day and 169th anniversary of the publication of Walt Whitman's 'Leaves of Grass', is the 3rd anniversary of my ordination in All Saints', and the day I finish my curacy. My thanks to everyone at All Saints' for not only putting up with a trainee priest in your midst in the last few years, but also for supporting me through the period of enquiry and training that began in 2016.

My especial thanks to Vickie for training me and guiding me throughout my curacy, and to the lady who grabbed my hand during the Peace at a Communion service some nine years ago and said 'Robert, sorry for blurting this out, but I've always thought you would make a good vicar.'

Future plans are up in the air: I shall be in Cadenabbia until the end of September, probably in Genova as a locum in the autumn, and I retire from my teaching job at Pavia university next spring. And Rita, I hope there is still time to prove you right!"

Pastoral care

For pastoral care please telephone (0039) 026 552258 (Priest's apartment), or [email](mailto:).

Links to our regular activities

Sunday is first Sunday pizza day. If you would like to join in a pizza lunch after church, sign up at the back on Sunday morning. There are alternatives to pizza, too.

Sunday evening prayer at 18.00 is [here](#). **Morning prayer**, at 9.00 Monday to Friday, is [here](#).

Bible study by Zoom is on Tuesday at 18.00, hosted by Robert using the link found [here](#). All are welcome.

In house Bible Study and the Jolly Club are now suspended for the summer, until September.