

Islington chapter: NOTES

14 Nov 2017 10.00am-12.00pm

St Mary's Upper Street

Present *Apologies

Simon Harvey	Emma Loveridge	Rayner Wakeling*	Jeremy Hobson*	April Keech
Steve Clarke	Liz Clutterbuck	John Beauchamp	Pete James	Rock Sturt*
Tamsin Merchant*	Alexandra Lilley	Margaret Evans	Pete Hughes*	Rob Merchant
Michael Learmouth	John Burniston	Stephen Coles	Pete Nicholas	Catherine Carlyon
Ted Fell*	Dave Tomlinson	Christopher Trundle	Mark Jackson*	Tola
Mark Fletcher	Martin Wroe	Peter Bernhard	Sarah MacDonald	Jess Swift
Gabriel Anstis	David Bird*	Alexander	Caroline Shuttleworth*	
Tania Witter*	Paul Zaphiriou	David Allen	Pauline Nashishibi	

18 clergy present and Revd Fiona Green (Stepney Area Office, director of Intern Scheme)

Agenda

10.00 arrive and refreshment

10:15-11:30 Vocational (ordination) challenges in Islington

11.30-12.00 Morning Prayer, St Mary's, notices

Diocesan Summit follow-up

We saw some short videos put together by the chapter standing committee hearing from the experience of those who have been through the selection process in Islington, particularly what they had appreciated most from their clergy in that process.

We had an open discussion around what are the challenges in the process; what are some of the implicit barriers; what promotes generating vocations in general; hearing what happens in different parishes.

Fiona Green gave an overview of national and diocesan vocational landscape. She took us through the stages of selection. Finally, listened to a wider conversation around expectations and realities.

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Simon welcomed us to St Mary's, we met in their crypt and had a sense of the activity happening in and around St Mary's. It was nice to see Cards for Good Causes taking residence again!

St Mary's is hosting a Scripture Union anniversary; are in the middle of a development project focusing on the gardens around St Mary's (Heart of Islington); are thinking about how best to relate to integrate their community mission.

Notices

- keep on praying for St John's and Christ Church during their vacancies
- St Crispin's
- policy 'bring and share' next chapter

Next meetings:

Chapter: Christmas lunch Thurs 14 Dec 12.30pm

Synod: Wed 22 Nov 7.30-9.00pm St Andrew's Thornhill Square