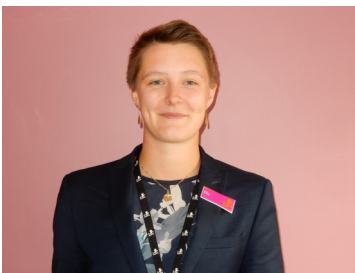


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## Welcome

In this edition we look back at the commissioning of the Dartford Chaplains and share some news

## Farewell to Ella



We are sad to say that Ella Sibley, the Lead Chaplain at Bluewater, will be leaving KWM in mid-October. She has been invited by The Methodist Church in central London to work as a Project Officer in their Discipleship and Evangelism Team. Chaplaincy is one of the areas that falls within the remit of this Team.

We wish her all the very best in her new role and pray God's blessing on her.

## Commissioning of Chaplains in Dartford Town Centre

In early July we gathered in The Orchards Shopping Centre with friends from churches in Dartford to celebrate the commissioning of six chaplains for Dartford Town Centre.

We were pleased that Cllr David Mote, Mayor of Dartford and his wife, Ellen, and Cllr Ann Allen, Vice-Chair of Kent County Council were able to join us.

The service was led by Revd. Gary Colville, KWM Lead Chaplain, and the commissioning carried out by three KWM Trustees - Revd. Carol Avery, Paul Buckley and John Ellis.

The readings and prayers were led by Penny Culliford YMCA Chaplain Thames Gateway, Pastor Alistair Gregory Chair of Dartford Ministers' Forum, Pastor Liz Kingsley of RCCG City of David, Dartford and new chaplain and Ella Sibley, Bluewater Lead Chaplain.



*Photo (L to R)*

*Julius Zubair, Kehinde Ishola, Cllr Ann Allen, Ellen Mote, Cllr David Mote, Liz Kingsley, Mary Olowu, Florence Martin and Alexander Aikoye*

## Honour for KWM Lead Chaplain



Revd Gary has been invited by Bishop James Langstaff to an Honorary Canonry at Rochester Cathedral . As you will read below Bishop James sees this as a means of highlighting the importance of chaplaincy in the mission of Christ's Church and all of us involved in Chaplaincy today share in this honour vicariously. Please pray for Gary and others taking up this role on *Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> at 3.15pm Rochester Cathedral* . All involved in Kent Workplace Mission are welcome to attend this act of worship and you can just turn up on the day.

*Photo: Revd. Gary Colville at the French Prisoners' of War Memorial, St George's Church, Chatham*

### Rochester Cathedral Honorary Canonry - Invitation from Bishop James

"Following consultation with the Dean and other colleagues, I am delighted to invite you to accept appointment to an Honorary Canonry in our Cathedral.

In your case, this invitation comes in particular recognition of your work in workplace chaplaincy with the police and now also in the leadership of Kent Workplace Mission. In relation to this latter role, your appointment as a Canon will hopefully be seen as an affirmation of that work and a sign of our diocesan commitment to it as well as to chaplaincy more generally. It might also bring opportunities to connect that work with the life of the Cathedral in a fuller way. At the same time there is also an acknowledgment of your interest and commitment in offering a model of Interim Ministry within the Diocese, following on from your years of experience as a parish priest in different settings.

I hope very much that you will be minded to accept this invitation, but before doing so you might find it helpful to be aware of how the role of Honorary Canon is seen.

The College of Canons is part of the Cathedral's governance structure with the Council and the Chapter. The two annual gatherings of the College are important to the life of the Cathedral and we hope that members will make these dates a priority. Members of the College are members of the Cathedral Foundation, with a particular role in helping the Cathedral to maintain its links with the Diocese and the wider church. Honorary Canons are included within the Cathedral's monthly Cycle of Prayer, and are encouraged themselves to pray regularly for the Cathedral and its ministry. Each Honorary Canon is invited to preach annually at Sunday Evensong. Some Canons may be able to offer occasional ministry as a Day Chaplain, which also gives an insight into the Cathedral's day-to-day life."

## Dates for your diary

Sunday 4th November 2018 at 3.15pm at Rochester Cathedral - Honorary Canons' service

Saturdays 3rd and 10th November 2018 from 10am to 4pm - KWM Chaplains' training sessions, Larkfield Methodist Church

Saturday 30th March 2019 - KWM Quiet Day at Tudeley Church (with the world-famous Marc Chagall windows)

Saturday 21st September 2019 - KWM Conference. Topic - the Economy. Venue - TBA