Dr Glyn Ackerley, presently Vicar in the benefice of Shorne, Kent and Diocesan Director of Ordinands in Rochester Diocese, is to become Vicar in the benefice of Bushey, Luton.

David Brown, presently Priest-in-charge in the benefice of St Nicholas & Graveley, Stevenage is to become Rector of the same.

Lucy Dallas, Assistant Curate in the Welwyn Team Ministry is to become Team Vicar (half-time) with special responsibility for St Nicholas, Elstree.

Nicholas Grew, presently Vicar in the benefice of Knaphill with Brockwood in Guildford Diocese, is to become Vicar in the benefice of St Francis, Luton.

Anne Hindle, presently Rector in the benefice of Clifton and Southill is to become Vicar (part-time) of the benefice of Warringham, Tansor and Cottered and Fotheringay and Southwick in Peterborough diocese.

Nick Parkinson, Associate Minister (SSM) in the benefice of Woburn Sands has retired.

Ann Pollington presently Vicar of the benefice of St Ippolyts w. Great & Little Wymondley and Rural Dean of Hitchin Deanery, is to become Vicar of the benefice of Cranbrook in Canterbury Diocese.

Canon David Ridgeway, presently Vicar of St Stephen’s Church, St Albans is to become Rector of the benefice of Castor w Upton & Stibbington & Water Newton, Marholm & Sutton in Peterborough diocese.

Philip Waller, Vicar of St John’s Church, Long Eaton and Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands in Derby diocese, is to become Team Vicar (designate) in the benefice of Codicote and Associate Diocesan Director of Ordinands (both half-time posts)

Kathleen Partington, Reader Emeritus in Sandy, Bedfordshire, died in August.

Borehamwood’s new Team Vicar

Monday, September 28th was a special day in the life of St. Michael and All Angels Church, Brook Road, Borehamwood as they welcomed Revd. Louise Collins as their new team vicar. The Bishop of Hertford, the Right Reverend Dr. Michael Beasley licensed her and she was installed by the Archdeacon of Hertford, the Venerable Dr. Trevor Jones.

Members of the Community, the Mayor of Hertsmere, Martin Worster, Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood, Richard Butler, (both pictured above) and clergy were invited to join the St Michael’s community in welcoming Louise, in a service which including prayer and hymns. Louise was then welcomed by both Mayors, The Deanery Lay Co-Chairperson Richard Osborn, Fr. Dominic on behalf of the Elstree and Borehamwood Christian Council, and Judith Elders from the local foodbank.

Members from Louise’s previous church St. Cuthberts, Fir Vale, Sheffield, members of Louise’s family and friends also attended the service which was followed by fellowship in the church hall.

Christmas Services of Lessons and Carols St Albans Cathedral

The 2015 Festivals of Lessons and Carols will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday, 20 December and Monday 21 December – both starting at 7pm. Entry to these services is by ticket only. Tickets are first offered to the cathedral’s own congregations and then the rest are distributed by public ballot. Please send applications to Public Ballot, Services of Lessons and Carols, Cathedral and Abbey Church of St Alban, Sumpter Yard, St Albans, AL1 1BY to arrive by Friday 27 November. Please enclose an SAE stating which night you are applying for, and how many tickets you would like (up to a maximum of four). Tickets will be posted out from Friday 4 December onwards. Other opportunities to attend carol services include Carols on the Hour on Saturday 19 December with cathedral and local choirs singing from 11am to 4pm – no tickets required.