

Clergy Appointments

Elliot James has been appointed as Assistant Curate (SSM) at All Saints Church, Leavesden

James Mustard, presently Rector and Rural Dean of Barnet is to become Canon Precentor at Exeter Cathedral, Exeter Diocese.

Diocesan Appointments

Kate Peacock, presently Rector & Rural Dean of Buntingford and Dean of Women's Ministry, has been appointed as Church Growth Officer for St Albans Archdeaconry.

David Jones, presently Assistant Curate at All Saints Croxley Green, and a Church Leader with Explore Church, has been appointed **in addition** as part-time Reaching New People Project Co-ordinator.

Farewell

After eleven years in post, Management Accountant and keen cyclist, **Philip Deane** has decided it is time to travel! Below, Philip is pictured with his new cycling glasses - a gift from colleagues at diocesan office - which he will be taking to Cambodia on his first adventure. We wish him well.



Obituary

It is with sadness that we announce the death of **John Warren**, Reader Emeritus from Chorleywood.

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Honoured



Ann Browning, a stalwart volunteer and member of St Michael's and All Angels, Sunnyside, Berkhamsted in the Diocese of St Albans has been awarded a British Empire Medal (BEM) in the Queen's New Year's Honours List 2018 for her outstanding charity work with The Children's Society.

Ann, 83, has worked as a dedicated volunteer for the charity for 23 years, raising vital funds through the local Berkhamsted Committee as well as co-ordinating Children's Society activities in her own parish.

Ann is a retired GP, has chaired the Berkhamsted Committee for 20 years. It has raised thousands of pounds for disadvantaged children each year through events such as Open Gardens at Ashridge House, needlecraft exhibitions, concerts by friends in the musical world, supermarket collections, coffee mornings and an annual dinner by candlelight including live music and a raffle. The biggest fundrais for The Children's Society is the annual Berkhamsted Walk, which will celebrate its 50th anniversary in May. Last year the event raised more than £8,500 and over almost five decades it has helped to raise more than £300,000 for vulnerable children. For more information on taking part in the Berkhamsted Walk on Sunday 13 May 2018 please go to <http://www.berkhamstedwalk.com/>

Ann Browning said: "I feel a great sense of achievement when our fundraising activities are a success, but I couldn't do it without the tremendous work of my committee members, so I count this award as a tribute to us all.

"This work has been such a help to me personally since my husband died five years ago, keeping me occupied and always planning the next event. So I thank The Children's Society for keeping my brain alive!"

ASCEND Seeks Treasurer: Do you have the skills to be ASCEND's next voluntary treasurer? It would involve about 4-6 hours a week and they could pay an honorarium. The treasurer also attends monthly management meetings.

Ascend at All Saints' Church, South Oxhey has been changing lives for over 21 years and is a lifeline for hundreds of people a year. It offers training, support and more, including adult literacy/numeracy, IT and computer skills, English for speakers of other languages, counselling, a weekly job club and careers advice. Ascend works with those with mental health issues and complex life issues, in one of the most deprived parishes in the diocese. If you would like to discuss the work please contact Canon Pam Wise on 020 8421 5949 or email revpamwise@hotmail.co.uk.