My Christian Journey – A Series of Inspirational Lent Talks St Mildreds Church, 30 Bingham Road, Addiscombe, CR0 7EB

As you take time during Lent to reflect, pray and prepare for the celebration of Easter, you are warmly invited to join us at St Mildred's for a series of inspirational talks. The Wednesday talks will start at 7.30pm (tea and coffee from 7pm) and will finish by 9pm.

21 February 2024	The Venerable Moira Astin, Archdeacon of Reigate
28 February 2024	The Venerable Dr Rosemarie Mallett, Bishop of Croydon
6 March 2024	Revd Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon
13 March 2024	The Right Revd Peter Price, retired Bishop of Bath and Wells
20 March 2024	Revd Barry Goodwin, retired acting Archdeacon of Croydon

Our impressive line-up of speakers will share aspects of their Christian journey including their challenges, what has inspired and motivated them and what parts of their Ministry they most enjoy. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of each talk.

21 February 2024 – The Venerable Moira Astin, Archdeacon of Reigate

Moira Astin was ordained in 1995, having worked in computer technical support before training. After a curacy at St Nicolas Newbury she was a Team Vicar in Thatcham, Berkshire. She also became the Ecumenical Officer for Berkshire, a role she has now fulfilled in several Dioceses. In 2006 she became Team Vicar, then Vicar of St James Woodley before moving to be Vicar of Frodingham and Area Dean of North Lincolnshire in 2011. She is now Archdeacon of Reigate and Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese of Southwark, assisted by two Area Ecumenical Officers. Moira also enjoys teaching and currently is teaching Church History for the St Augustine College of Theology.

28 February 2024 – The Venerable Dr Rosemarie Mallett, Bishop of Croydon

The Right Revd Dr Rosemarie Mallett was born in Barbados, but has lived much of her life in the UK. She has worked in West and East Africa as well as in the Caribbean as an academic and researcher, returning to the UK to study for her PhD. After working as an academic sociologist for twelve years, she trained for ordained ministry. Since 2004, Bishop Rosemarie has served in various roles in the Diocese of Southwark, based in South London and East Surrey, as parish priest, Diocesan Director of Justice, Archdeacon of Croydon, and now serves as the Bishop of Croydon. Bishop Rosemarie is a Fellow of the Westminster Abbey Institute and a Visiting Fellow of Jesus College Cambridge.

6 March 2024 – The Revd Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon

Greg Prior was born in 1968 in South Africa and is a proud African. He was ordained Deacon in 1995 and Priest in 1996. He spent 7 years of ordained ministry in South Africa and has regularly returned to the continent of his birth to participate in training and discipleship. Greg became Vicar of All Saints with Holy Trinity, Wandsworth, a two church parish, in September 2004 and has seen it transformed into a growing, vibrant and culturally diverse Christian community, representing more than 14 different nationalities. Greg was Area Dean of Wandsworth and served as Acting Archdeacon of Wandsworth in 2021.He enjoys listening to a wide variety of music styles and plays the guitar, saxophone and sings. Greg was installed as Archdeacon of Croydon in Southwark Cathedral on Sunday the 4th December 2022.

13 March 2024 – The Right Revd Peter Price, retired Bishop of Bath and Wells

Peter B. Price is an author and broadcaster, a former Bishop of Bath and Wells, Bishop of Kingston upon Thames and General Secretary of the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. For over fifty years he has worked in peace building. For five years, following his retirement, he was Chair of the Trustees of Conciliation Resources, a peace building NGO working in many conflict areas around the world. Together with his wife and sons the Burns Price Foundation seeks to promote good citizenship among young people, supporting projects making a difference in their communities. Peter also leads conferences and retreats, as well as being an Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Southwark.

20 March 2024 – Revd Barry Goodwin

Before ordination Barry was an industrial research scientist investigating different types of allergies. After training at St John's College, Nottingham, he served his curacy in Ware in Hertfordshire and followed that that by becoming the first incumbent of a newly formed united benefice nearby. He moved to this Diocese in 1999 to become vicar of All Saints, Clapham Park, and moved to Croydon in 2005 to take up the post of 'Social Responsibility and Parish Development Advisor', also taking on the role of 'Faith in the Countryside Officer' and becoming the first Diocesan Environmental Officer. Barry helped to set up 'Faiths Together in Croydon' and before retirement was the acting Archdeacon of Croydon. Between 2009 and 2011 he also served as an honorary Curate in St Mildred's.

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Travelling to St Mildred's Church, 30 Bingham Road, Addiscombe, CR0 7EB

By tram: St Mildred's is easily accessible via the Croydon tram with the nearest stop being Addiscombe, located on Bingham Road.

By bus: The 289 and 367 buses stop on the Lower Addiscombe Road, a short walk from St Mildred's on Bingham Road

By car: There is limited car parking at St Mildred's but there is free parking in most of the surrounding roads in the evening (except those roads very close to the tram stop). To help the environment please car share where possible.

Map: Contact - St.Mildred's Church, Addiscombe (stmildredschurch.org.uk)