

# ST PETER'S EATON SQUARE

## Fr Ralph to leave St Peter's at Easter 2021

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Dear friends,

After six happy and busy years, I will be leaving St Peter's at Easter. I have been appointed Rector of two parishes, St James, Stonesfield and St Laurence, Combe Longa, which are just outside Woodstock, in Dorchester area of the Oxford Diocese, and my licensing there will take place on May the 1st.



I am very grateful that I have had the opportunity to serve here at St Peter's, and very proud of all we have built and achieved together. I feel the time is now right for a new step in my spiritual journey and my ministry. Rachel and I will miss you all a great deal, and will also miss the beautiful worship. We will move with gratitude for all we have received and all I have learnt here.

I am sorry that this move will create challenges for the PCC and Wardens, ministry team and staff, and I ask that you will prayerfully and practically give them the support they need. But I know that the church today is in a much happier and more capable place than it was when I arrived, and I have confidence that, supported by the Bishop and Archdeacon, everyone will rise to the challenge of an interregnum, and prepare for a new Vicar at St Peter's. My last Sunday at St Peter's will be Easter Sunday, the 4th of April.

Thank you for all your support, love and kindness,

most sincerely, Ralph

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