

# Ten years as our bishop

As we said goodbye to Bishop Christopher in April, we recalled some of the highlights from more than 10 years in the role.

## 1 2010: INSTALLATION SERVICE

Bishop Christopher insisted his installation service wasn't just about him. It was his idea for the whole congregation to pose outside the cathedral for this iconic shot.



## 2 2011: FIRST VISIT TO GHANA

This was the first of three visits to our link dioceses in Ghana. He visited in 2011 with his wife Sally.



## 3 2012: ORDINATIONS

One among many happy ordination services at our cathedral. This is Bishop Christopher celebrating with those ordained deacon.



## 4 2014: GARDEN OF PEACE OPENED

Bishop Christopher visited many of our church schools, including this visit to St John the Baptist Primary, Rowlands Castle, in 2014. He opened a new Garden of Peace, which would allow children and staff a place for quiet prayer and reflection during the day.



## 5 2015: ORDINATIONS

Part of the service in which deacons are ordained includes the bishop washing their feet, illustrating a life of service.



## 6 2016: ALVERSTOKE JUNIOR SCHOOL

A visit to Alverstoke C of E Junior School in Gosport, where Bishop Christopher talked to pupils about the school's Christian values.



## 7 2018: PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Bishop Christopher led several pilgrimages to the Holy Land during his time as our bishop. He considered it an important part of formation for our curates, and this 2018 trip included visits to Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Galilee.



## 8 2019: INSTALLATION OF THE DEAN

Bishop Christopher installed the Very Rev Anthony Cane as the Dean of Portsmouth during a moving service in our cathedral.



## 9 2019: THE BIG PRAYER PICNIC

Bishop Christopher hosted this ecumenical prayer event at Portchester Castle, which was part of Thy Kingdom Come.



## 10 2020: LIVE-STREAMING

As well as regular livestreams from his home during the pandemic, the bishop visited parish churches to ordain candidates individually, and ensured the services were broadcast for all.