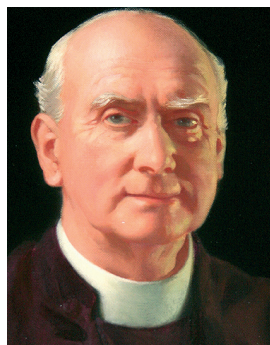


# Bishops of Portsmouth

As we prepare to install Jonathan as our new bishop, we recall all who have held this role since our diocese was created in 1927

## 1 NEVILLE LOVETT (1927-36)

Elevated from Archdeacon of Portsmouth to become our first bishop. Became Bishop of Salisbury in 1936. Schools were named after him in Fareham and Ryde.



## 2 FRANK PARTRIDGE (1936-41)

Became bishop after a 24-year association with Chichester diocese and a stint at Peterborough Cathedral. Died in office and interred at East Meon.



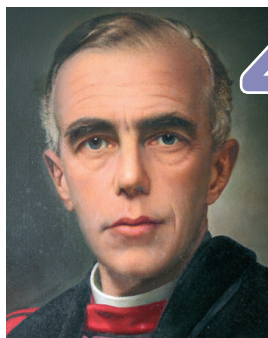
## 3 WILLIAM ANDERSON (1942-49)

The only C of E bishop ever to have served in all three Armed Forces. Became Bishop of Salisbury in 1949.



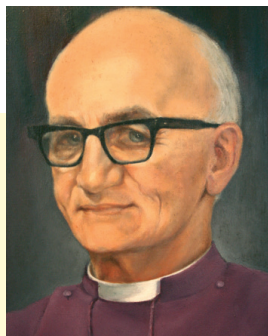
## 4 LAUNCELOT FLEMING (1949-59)

Chaplain to expeditions to the Antarctic and served on HMS Queen Elizabeth before becoming a bishop.



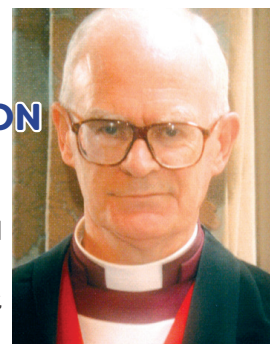
## 5 JOHN PHILLIPS (1960-75)

Was an RNVR chaplain in wartime and Archdeacon of Nottingham before becoming our bishop.



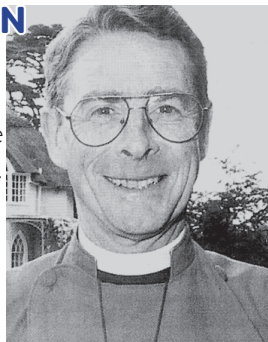
## 6 RONALD GORDON (1975-84)

Subsequently became Bishop at Lambeth and Bishop to the Forces, then sub-dean of Christ Church, Oxford.



## 7 TIMOTHY BAVIN (1984-94)

Was Bishop of Johannesburg before becoming our bishop. Retired to become a monk at Alton Abbey.



## 8 KENNETH STEVENSON (1995-2009)

An academic who was part-Danish and pioneered the C of E's links with the Porvoo Communion. Diagnosed with leukaemia in 2005 and sadly died in 2011.



## 9 CHRISTOPHER FOSTER (2010-21)

Had been Bishop of Hertford. Initiated our Live Pray Serve vision, and steered us through the worst of the pandemic before retiring to Somerset.



## 10 JONATHAN FROST (2022-)

Formerly Bishop of Southampton and Dean of York Minster. Installed March 2022.

