

Long-serving clergy

Which of our clergy have served for the longest time continuously in our diocese?



1 **CANON DAVID POWER:** Since June 1981

After stints at Emsworth and Hartplain, he's been vicar at St Cuthbert's, Copnor, since 1997, heading up its redevelopment.

2 **THE REV JEANETTE POWER** Since July 1982

Served in Warblington and Emsworth, Hart Plain, Wickham and Copnor, as well as stints as chaplain to mental health in Havant and hospitals in Portsmouth

3 **CANON BOB WHITE** Since June 1985

Was in Leigh Park and Warren Park until becoming a fixture in Fratton from 2000.



4 **THE VEN PETER SUTTON** Since June 1987

After 19 years in Lee-on-Solent and six years as Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight, he's moving to Greatham, Empshott, Hawkley and Priors Dean



5 **THE REV ANDY DAVIS** Since July 1989

He was bishop's chaplain and priest in Bishop's Waltham before taking up his current post as parish priest at Holy Trinity and Christ Church, Gosport.

6 **CANON GILL HILL** Since Sept 1990

One of the first women to be ordained priest here, and took up her post at Catherington and Clanfield in 2001.

7 **THE REV JOHN RYDER** Since October 1991

Worked in South Africa and St Helena and served a curacy in Havant before starting as parish priest in Godshill in 1995.



9 **CANON HUGH WRIGHT** Since October 1992

First came to the Isle of Wight to be vicar of St John's Ryde. Switched to being parish priest in Ventnor and Bonchurch in 2013.

8 **CANON NICK RALPH** Since June 1992

After curacies in Fareham and Copnor, was a vicar in Hayling Island before starting as our social responsibility adviser. Now also a residentiary canon in our cathedral.



CANON JOHN DRAPER Since September 1994

Originally joined our diocese as a curate in Leigh Park and Warren Park. Has been rector of St Mary the Virgin, Rowner, since 1995, and was area dean for five years.