



BISHOP OF THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF OTTAWA

April 20, 2022

The Church Wardens
St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church
454 King Edward Avenue
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Friends,

Please arrange for this letter to be read at services in your parish on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Grace and peace to you in the name of the risen Christ!

It is my duty to advise you that, with my full understanding and support, I have accepted the resignation of your Incumbent, the Reverend Simone Hurkmans, effective May 2, 2022. On May 14, Simone will become the Interim Priest-in-Charge of the parish of Arnprior.

Simone has made this difficult personal decision after careful and prayerful discernment, and I pray that you will join with me in offering her respect, understanding, and support.

Archdeacon Linda Hill will soon be in contact with your wardens and members of synod to prepare for a new appointment. Please be assured of my prayers and active involvement in the discernment process.

In the meantime, effective May 2, 2022, I have appointed the Reverend Canon Robert Heard to be the Interim Priest-in-Charge of St. Alban's and the Reverend Caroline Ducros to be the Interim Priest-in-Charge of St. Bernard (non-stipendiary).

May Easter hope be with you all as this time of transition unfolds.

With kindest blessings,

Yours in Christ,

The Right Reverend Shane A.D. Parker
Bishop of Ottawa

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The Reverend Canon Robert Heard
The Reverend Caroline Ducros
The Venerable Mark Whittall
The Venerable Linda Hill
The Reverend Rhonda Waters

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