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#### Bishop Dr Joseph Aldred

# The Langton Award for Community Service 2019 for his outstanding mission to the UK's African-Caribbean community and to the wider church

Joe Aldred was born in Jamaica and moved to Britain in his mid-teens. His father had, like many of the 'Windrush generation', sailed across the Atlantic to work in the United Kingdom, bringing members of the family to join him as circumstances allowed.

As a Bishop of the Church of God of Prophecy, Joe is an experienced and effective minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He is a pastor, preacher, teacher and community leader. His contribution to community relations, and particularly to the integration of Black-led and Black-majority churches into the mainstream life of British church and society has been very significant. His ministry has promoted community cohesion, challenged implicit and explicit racism and developed wider understanding of the importance and contribution of the African-Caribbean community in the UK. His contribution has been outstanding.

2018 saw the commemoration of the seventieth anniversary of the landing of the Windrush at Tilbury. Joe Aldred chaired the ecumenical committee that co-ordinated the national service of thanksgiving in Westminster Abbey, a key aspect of the commemorations. A result of the commemorations of the event has been the establishment of a national 'Windrush Day' and the bringing to public attention of failings in the immigration system that led to Windrushers being erroneously deported.

#### **Reverend Professor Michael Barnes SJ**

# The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation, for his long and distinguished contribution in this field.

Professor Michael Barnes SJ is one of the world's leading experts on theologies of interreligious engagement. Alongside outstanding intellectual contributions such as his *Theology and the Dialogue of Religions* (CUP, 2002) and *Interreligious Learning* (2012), he has made a concerted effort to lead in grassroots interreligious community engagement such as the De Nobili Centre in Southall. In 2007 Michael Barnes set up the Southall "Faiths Together" project, with the aim of training people for interreligious relations.

Michael has used the phrase 'theology of dialogue' to encapsulate his central conviction, that there is more to dialogue than a way of Christian witness appropriate to a pluralist world; dialogue has something to do with God. For many years, he was a teacher and then Professor at Heythrop College in the University of London (now sadly closed in the summer of 2018), and was a key member of staff responsible for establishing Heythrop's Centre for Interreligious Dialogue. Michael has been instrumental in teaching generations of students on subjects such as Hinduism, Buddhism, and Christian theologies of relations since the early 1980s. Whilst a leading Roman Catholic scholar, his teaching has always served a strongly ecumenical and interreligious constituency, with many Anglicans benefiting from his wisdom and insight. His work in this field has been outstanding and richly merits the recognition represented by the Hubert Walter Award.

#### **Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan**

#### The Lambeth Cross for Ecumenism 2019 for her outstanding work in ecumenism.

Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan stands in the long tradition of Canadian theologians serving the Anglican Communion in ecumenical dialogue with distinction. In 1977, as a young deacon in the Anglican Church in Canada, Alyson was asked to join an Anglican-Roman Catholic dialogue commission in Canada. She went on to take part in, and be secretary of, ecumenical dialogues and commissions at every level, beginning internationally in 1987 as a member of the Anglican-Lutheran International Commission.

Pre-eminent in her ecumenical achievements stands the Waterloo Declaration that led to the establishment of full communion between the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. She was a member of the Lambeth Commission on Communion and, in 2009, Alyson was called to take on international duties full time as Director of Unity, Faith and Order at the Anglican Communion Office. There she nurtured relationships between the Anglican Communion and all the major Christian world communions. Notably she brought to publication or to the point of publication important agreed statements between Anglicans and Lutheran, Methodist, Orthodox and Oriental Orthodox Churches and marshalled the early days of ARCIC III. As secretary, drafter, editor and redactor, Alyson shaped the relationships of the Anglican Communion and other world communions and, as a result, helped Anglicans define their own ecclesiology. In her last months at the Anglican Communion Office she was Acting Secretary General and, on her return to Canada, was elected as President of the Canadian Council of Churches. Her contribution in this sphere has been truly outstanding.

#### Miss Victoria Bridgeman

The Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England, for her 32 years of unstinting and valuable work as a volunteer in the Lambeth Palace Garden.

Victoria's father was a diplomat who worked for the Foreign Office in Madrid, Paris, Athens and Vienna as well as Teheran. Victoria too has travelled much, including trips to India, Nepal and China, but well after her father's retirement from the Diplomatic Service.

Aged 18, Victoria became a Wren in 1943, when women were no longer required to join up. She was stationed at Rosyth on the east coast of Scotland. After the war, Victoria gained secretarial qualifications. This eventually led to her becoming Personal Assistant to the Director of the Nuffield Foundation, whose stated aim is to improve social welfare by funding education and research - just as Victoria has lived her own life, primarily concerned for the greater good of others.

After retiring in 1986, Victoria joined Volunteer Reading Help, giving time every week to help disadvantaged children between the ages of 6 and 11 to develop their reading skills. She worked tirelessly at Essendine School in Westminster for more than 20 years.

In 1986, Victoria responded to an appeal from Rosalind Runcie who was trying to revive the neglected garden at Lambeth Palace. Initially the only volunteer, for 32 years Victoria worked diligently in the garden. Her dedication has been unparalleled, and she has tremendously helped and supported the many people who have worked with her. The fascinating stories she told us of her various travels, her intrepid horse treks in Spain and mountaineering adventures in the Alps will leave a gap in our days.

Victoria finally decided to retire as she neared the age of 93. Her calmness and her kindness will be much missed by all of us.

#### Mrs Clare Brown

The Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship, for her work in guiding readers through the archives of the Church of England, and for her exhibitions and scholarly expertise in support of Lambeth Palace Library and three Archbishops of Canterbury.

Clare Brown, a long-serving member of the specialist archival staff at Lambeth Palace Library, has played a key role in enhancing access to the Library's collections and delivery of the Library's services over 17 years and under three Archbishops. She has done much to sustain and encourage the research community by advising readers, by her own teaching and lecturing, and by personally answering over 3,600 enquiries, as the acknowledgements pages of numerous scholarly volumes will testify.

In addition to her tireless work on cataloguing major collections, notably the extensive papers of the Council on Foreign Relations, Clare has played an important part in co-ordinating collaborative projects, such as the joint project with Royal Holloway University of London to catalogue the Library's medieval Greek manuscripts. Her advice, tact and very wide knowledge of the history and practice of other churches has been invaluable to the Library and she has been instrumental in many of the exhibitions, displays and related work which the Library undertakes in support of the Archbishop's ecumenical initiatives.

Among numerous other exhibitions, Clare curated the special exhibition for the Lambeth Conference in 2008, *Kindred and Affinity*, and the Library's major public exhibition in 2011, celebrating 400 years of the King James Bible: 'Out of the Original Sacred Tongues': The Bible and Translation.

In her many achievements, Clare has made an uniquely valuable contribution to the work of Lambeth Palace Library and its place as a centre of education and scholarship.

#### Ms Shari Brown

The Langton Award for Community Service for her outstanding contribution to the reception and integration of refugees.

In 2002, Shari Brown was appointed as Project Co-ordinator of the Birmingham Churches Together charity RESTORE, which seeks to welcome, befriend and integrate refugees and asylum seekers. Under her leadership, RESTORE's role and influence within the city have grown exponentially. It now includes three other full-time members of staff and over 100 volunteer befrienders.

Shari has worked tirelessly in regional networking within the refugee charity sector in Birmingham and the West Midlands, sitting on several boards including the Strategic Migration Partnership and The Syrian Partnership Board. Shari was a key player in setting up the Hope Projects, which offer accommodation and subsistence to destitute asylum-seekers, and has been their Chair of Trustees for several years. She was part of a core group which brought together organisations from across the country to form NACCOM, the No Accommodation Network. She was a founder member of the Birmingham City of Sanctuary movement. She chairs Celebrating Sanctuary which champions refugees' arts and co-ordinates Refugee Week activities every June. Shari brings a voice from beyond London to the Churches' Refugee Network.

Alongside her regional and national commitments, Shari still makes time for individuals – listens, empathises and takes action. It is these grass roots connections that empower her to raise awareness and seek policy change.

After 16 years at Restore, Shari moved to Brussels in October 2018 to take up the post of Executive Secretary of the Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe, continuing to seek justice for those fleeing persecution and seeking sanctuary. Her contribution in this field has been outstanding.

#### The Reverend Graham Burton

The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation, for working for peace between Christians and Muslims in Pakistan for twelve years and in Nottingham for twenty-five years.

After 12 years with CMS in Pakistan (1992-2001) Graham Burton worked tirelessly as Priest-in-Charge of a Nottingham Parish. From 2001-2007, as associate priest there, he established a project aimed at sharpening the focus of the church's mission in a multi-ethnic, multi-cultural, multi-faith society. From 2007 in retirement, with tremendous grace, he has continued to serve the inner city, facilitating understanding and joint working between Nottingham's Christians and Muslims, in the complex context of simultaneously supporting Pakistani Christians seeking asylum following persecution for their Christian faith. Hundreds of Christians and Muslims have learnt to live well alongside one another through his work.

Graham developed a strong, mutually respectful relationship with Dr Musharraf Hussein, the local Imam, bringing their congregations together in acts of prayer and witness on the streets of Hyson Green in mutual commitment to and for their local shared community. Following '9/11', they founded 'Faiths in Action', still working today, bringing together local people of different faiths. For his part, Musharraf was appointed OBE.

17 years ago Graham founded the Rainbow Project, initially aimed at enabling leadership from within the minority ethnic community, fighting racism and encouraging the church to embrace ethnic and cultural diversity in its mission and ministry and engage with community faith diversity. He has played a significant role in bringing the community to work together as people of different faiths for understanding, justice and change. For many years Graham was a main organiser of a regional ecumenical and diocesan Racial Justice Sunday service. Recently, the Project's aims have focused on asylum and refugee support, in which Graham is still involved. He has made a sustained and distinctively excellent contribution to both reconciliation and interfaith relations.

#### The Reverend Dr David Cornick

## The Lambeth Cross for Ecumenism for his outstanding sustained contribution to the development of ecumenical life and witness in England.

The United Reformed Church was born in a vision of Christian Unity, bringing together Congregational and Presbyterian Churches, and later the Disciples of Christ, into a church that is constitutionally committed to further unity. It is in this church, and to the vision of unity that it is at its centre, that David Cornick was called to minister.

Over his long ministry David has combined pastoral ministry in a local context with ecumenical theological education and, in two significant posts, leadership of both the United Reformed Church (URC - General Secretary 2001-2008) and Churches Together in England (CTE - 2008-2018). He is unique among current church leaders in having held the offices of General Secretary of one of the major denominations and of one of the major ecumenical bodies. Over the years, the shape of the Church in England has changed. When CTE was founded it had twenty members, largely the historic national denominations. Under David's leadership the membership of CTE expanded dramatically and now stands at 48 Churches or organisations of churches, reflecting the breadth of English Christianity. He has consistently judged correctly the mood of the churches in their relationship with one another. He has an impressive sense of what is feasible and encourages the possible rather than grandiose schemes and projects that would be doomed to failure. He has successfully navigated CTE away from being dominated by structures and the management of relationships to one that has been built on and led by relationships. He has been an exemplary standard-bearer for effective ecumenism.

#### Petà Dunstan

## The Dunstan Award for Prayer and the Religious Life, for her extraordinary contribution to religious communities in the United Kingdom.

Petà Dunstan is the foremost academic working in the field of Anglican Religious Communities of our generation. Without her unique and invaluable contributions, much of the recent history of Anglican Communities could have been lost. Her major published works include *This Poor Sort*, her history of the Society of St. Francis in Europe and *The Labour of Obedience*, a history of one of the most well-known Anglican Benedictine communities.

Over and beyond her academic expertise, she edits the *Anglican Religious Life* Yearbook, keeping in touch with developments in Orders and Communities around the world. She brings her wisdom to the meetings of the *Advisory Council on Relations between Bishops and Religious Communities* and its Working Parties. She serves as secretary to the *Anglican Religious Communities Development Trust*, enabling its work of providing small grants to both traditional and emerging communities across the globe. This provides a means of strengthening the bonds between different provinces of the Anglican Communion.

Petà is an active Trustee for the Community of St. Andrew and is also involved in supporting and helping the Sisters of St. Margaret (SSM) Chiswick in planning for the future. They run St. Mary's Convent and Nursing Home.

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#### The late Canon Professor Richard Farnell

## The Langton Award for Community Service for his lifelong contribution to urban regeneration and social justice.

Richard Farnell was a quiet giant in urban regeneration and social justice. His deep Christian faith shaped his thinking as he studied Town Planning at Manchester University. There he met his wife Alison and helped run the students' Christian Union. He became convinced that if God was Lord of all, that included cities, communities and unequal societies, something which influenced all his future work. This citation gives only a brief account of his singular contribution.

In 1970, Richard joined Coventry City Council's Planning Department, becoming Principal Design Officer. Moving to lecture at Lanchester Polytechnic, then at Coventry University, he became Professor of Neighbourhood Regeneration. His research into the contribution of faith groups to community regeneration achieved an international reputation. After the 1988 publication of Richard's research team's evaluation of the impact on local government of *Faith in the City*, Richard became a Church Urban Fund (CUF) Trustee chairing their grant-making committee for several years.

In the early 1980s, Richard chaired the Shaftesbury Project on Christian Involvement in Society and was involved in the Evangelical Coalition for Urban Mission. He became a Trustee of Coventry Churches Housing Association (HA), subsequently chairing Extra Care Charitable Trust, Keynote HA and then Midland Heart, one of the UK's largest housing associations.

Invited to work with HM Government's Policy Advisory Group on 'Community Self Help' and as a 'Faith' advisor to the Charity Commission, Richard also became a national advisor to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation on 'Faith and Cohesion', and helped establish *Together for Change*, a partnership between CUF and Coventry Diocese.

In 2006 Richard became a Canon Theologian at Coventry Cathedral and joined the Crown Nominations Commission to appoint the current Bishop of Coventry, later chairing Coventry Cathedral Council.

#### The Reverend Jessica Foster

## The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation for her sustained and remarkable work in community and interfaith relations.

The Revd Jessica Foster is a permanent deacon whose ministry is worked out in the cross-section between community, interfaith and tackling poverty. She is the Bishop of Birmingham's Policy Advisor and a tutor at the Queen's Foundation, Birmingham.

Jessica established and co-ordinated the Near Neighbours programme in Birmingham. She is influential in the Thrive Together Birmingham partnership between the Church of England Birmingham and Church Urban Fund, and was critical in the development of a Faith and Poverty Conference in February 2015 to which Archbishop Justin contributed.

She was a key player in the development of Places of Welcome which emerged from Birmingham's Social Inclusion Process 'Giving Hope, Changing Lives', 2011–2013; there are now approximately 50 Places of Welcome in Birmingham and over 220 across England and Wales.

She led a 'Women in Leadership' programme bringing together Muslim, Christian and Jewish women of different social backgrounds; and collaborated with BRAP, a specialist equalities organisation, to develop a model for exploring community cohesion through holding difficult conversations in Hall Green.

Her prophetic courage is also seen in challenging contexts overseas. She co-ordinated a multifaith initiative to take aid to a refugee charity in Calais and Dunkirk in 2017; organised a pioneering multi-faith visit to Israel/Palestine in 2018; and accompanied the Bishop of Birmingham to Srebrenica.

Jessica has an advisory role with Birmingham City Council on Prevent and Community Cohesion strategies and frequently represents the church at vigils and gatherings responding to hate crime and terrorist activity.

#### The Reverend Dr Barbara Glasson

## The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation for her extraordinarily creative and innovative interfaith and outreach work.

Barbara Glasson, elected President of the Methodist Conference 2019-20, has pioneered extraordinarily creative and innovative work, particularly with women from different faiths in Bradford, including addressing sensitive issues such as the effects of child sexual exploitation. She wanted to engage local women in community-based activities, increasing social encounter and economic independence, thereby helping to regenerate the heart of the neighbourhood. Since weaving used to be a traditional activity in Bradford, she travelled to Nepal and Indonesia where weaving is an integral part of the local economy. Inspired by the enterprising, cooperative and creative work that she had witnessed, Barbara developed a project involving a range of women's community and faith groups in Bradford and Pakistan. With Touchstone, an interfaith 'listening community' group, she launched Weaving Women's Wisdom, a project designed to create a new and safe space for interfaith/inter-community dialogue around issues of faith and life.

In Liverpool, in an appointment without church building or congregation, she founded a community which came together to make bread and to give it away. The project, called 'Somewhere Else', came to be known as the 'Bread Church'. It is particularly popular with the young, those with learning disabilities, LGBTQ people and those exploring their faith outside conventional church structures.

In her writing and teaching Barbara has also found creative ways of encouraging church people to engage with their neighbours. At regional and national levels, Barbara has also courageously championed interfaith engagement in a context which has not always been receptive.

#### **Mr Roger Jones**

### The Thomas Cranmer Award for Worship for his unique contribution to Christian music.

Roger Jones, the Birmingham-based Director of Christian Music Ministries, has composed more than 23 musicals performed throughout the UK and in many countries overseas, including *Jerusalem Joy, Mary Magdalene, Saints Alive, Barnabas* and *Greater than Gold*, the story of the little Welsh girl Mary Jones and her Bible. That musical earned him the Bible Society's Mary Jones prize in 2018.

Roger has followed a distinctive path within the charismatic evangelical stream of worship. His focus has always been on writing music which is accessible by the local church and does not require complicated forces or hi-tech equipment to perform. He has always been missional - motivated by a desire to share his own, strong, personal faith in Christ, and for others to catch that vision. Roger is a faithful Anglican – a licensed Reader in his Diocese – and one who has always respected the old alongside the new – the fact that so many of his musicals use traditional hymns bears witness to this. He is also alive to the possibilities for the interplay of renewal music with Anglican liturgy – for example, at the Eucharist, interweaving hymns, songs and instrumental improvisation within a traditional liturgical framework. He has the rare gift of enabling others to discover their God-given identity in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and has used his musical gifts unstintingly towards this end.

In 2017 he was well described at Spring Harvest as one of the Church's game-changers. For 35 years, Roger's gentle but powerful music ministry has made a distinctive impact in building up churches and individuals.

#### The Venerable Prince Dr Daniel Kajumba

#### Citation for the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

The Venerable Daniel Kajumba has been in the forefront of the battle against poverty, inequality, discrimination and injustice since arriving in the UK in 1971 as a refugee from Uganda. He has initiated numerous charitable activities to support refugees and the underprivileged.

As Chair of the Committee for Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC) he campaigned tirelessly for equality and opportunity for all to be reflected in the structures of church and state and, in particular, for BAME Anglicans to be reflected at all levels within the church. He nurtured, mentored and assisted BAME members to sustain their ministry and actively mobilised the church against racism and to promote cultural diversity. He has been exceptional in sourcing and mentoring individuals into positions of responsibility. He served with grace and an understanding of the needs of both the wider Church and its minority ethnic constituency, with a genuine belief in and consideration of the value of all members.

Daniel has been an outstanding and selfless human rights activist for over 40 years. He participated in the struggles to liberate Uganda from inhuman regimes and for 13 years participated in rebuilding and restructuring institutions of state, ensuring the transformation of unjust structures and promoting peace and integrity of creation.

As Archdeacon of Reigate he helped bring community cohesion, encouraging interfaith dialogue between the different diaspora communities in the UK.

Daniel has deployed his many skills in various capacities: as missionary, evangelist, pastor, social and community activist, counsellor, broadcaster, politician, entrepreneur, diplomat and conservationist. He is well loved and respected by many.

#### The Right Reverend Graham Kings

The Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion, for his outstanding work in mission and theology for the global South.

Bishop Graham Kings has long experience of working in the Anglican Communion, a passion that began early in his career when he spent seven years working as a Mission Partner for the Church Mission Society in Kabare in Kenya.

On his return to the UK, +Graham was appointed as the first ever Lecturer in Mission Studies at the Cambridge Theological Federation. He then went on to found and direct the Henry Martyn Centre for the Study of Mission and World Christianity. Following stints in more domestic dioceses, including Area Bishop of Sherborne and a Canon and Prebendary of Sarum Cathedral, +Graham returned to his love of the Anglican Communion, being appointed Mission Theologian in the Anglican Communion. The purpose of this innovative project was to raise up new 'Doctors of the Church' in the global South to write, network, publish and engage with theologians in the global North, to renew the worldwide Church and to influence wider society. Bishop Graham worked tirelessly to achieve this, organising conferences around the world (in Egypt, India, Fiji, Jerusalem and Brazil), arranging regular seminars in Durham and London and creating a website with a wealth of papers and resources.

After making a unique contribution to the Anglican Communion, Bishop Graham stepped back from the project in 2007 as it merged into a new phase of its development. He is now Honorary Curate at St Matthew's at the Elephant, London.

#### The Reverend Canon John Knight

The Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness for his lifelong commitment to mission and evangelism in both Zimbabwe and the United Kingdom

The first 50 years of John Knight's life were spent in Rhodesia, later Zimbabwe. He went to School in South Africa before coming to England for University and Theological training. John then returned to Rhodesia to serve the first 25 years of his ministry - becoming Dean of Mutare Cathedral in the new Zimbabwe before being forced to leave his homeland by the Mugabe regime. The rest of John's ministry has been spent in Peterborough Diocese.

Wherever John has ministered he has majored on mission and evangelism in the power of the Holy Spirit. His first book, *Rain in a Dry Land - the power of God in a war-torn country* is an inspirational account of his ministry in Zimbabwe. John has lived out a faith filled, evangelistic ministry - full of hope and expectation. In the Peterborough Diocese, John ministered in the ecumenical church of Emmanuel Weston Favell (in Northampton) serving an area of considerable social deprivation. It is no coincidence that Emmanuel is still a place where people give generously, accept everyone, act with God-given grace, and lovingly lead the most vulnerable people into the presence of the living Jesus.

In sharp contrast, John has also ministered in rural areas of leafy Northamptonshire. Again, the hallmark of his churches was to be generously open and outward looking. John finally retired last year, aged 81, to care for his wife Jill. Even in retirement, the presence of Jesus shines out of him.

#### Canon Jill MacDonald

## The Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness for her exceptional contribution to community building and leadership in Birmingham.

Jill MacDonald is a licensed reader in the Church of England Birmingham. Since 2011, she has served as minister with primary responsibility for St James, Rounds Green, an outer city estate and one of the 5% most deprived communities in the country. The majority of people are on benefits, a high proportion suffers from abuse of some kind, and a significant percentage of the population suffers from serious mental health issues. Jill MacDonald has transformed the church to be a Jesus-centred, loving and outward-facing witnessing community, with worship led by her (and others she has inspired) that is vibrant, deep and encouraging. It is a growing church, heavily involved in work with young people, families and the elderly.

In terms of its physical structure, Jill MacDonald has transformed a leaking and poorly looked-after 1960s concrete church into a beautiful, welcoming and cared-for resource that speaks to people who come there that they are of value to God and of infinite worth to him. Confidence has replaced apathy and decline; prayer is at the heart of this incredible transformation, and a third of the adult population of the church meets weekly to pray for those living locally. She is also involved with ministry to the staff of St Michael's CofE High School, Rowley Regis, deputising for the Chaplain on occasion.

As an unpaid lay reader, Jill has given exceptional leadership and service. She is rightly respected – and treated as an equal – by her deanery clergy colleagues and admired by professionals within the community. This is outstanding ministry in every sense.

#### Ms Laura Marks OBE

# The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation, for her transformative work in interfaith relations and her focus on women in leadership.

After a career in the commercial world of communications, Laura Marks turned her attention to the role of faith groups in addressing the divisions in society. Among her achievements is founding Mitzvah Day, now in its tenth year, which brings people together though Jewish-led

social action on a day in November. Mitzvah Day is focused on bringing faith communities together, and in 2018 more than 120 projects were interfaith, from blood donation to baking for homeless shelters. 2018 saw the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mitzvah Day, with 25,000 participants in the UK alone and 40,000 worldwide.

Laura is also passionate about encouraging women in leadership in the Jewish community and beyond, and is co-founder of Nisa-Nashim, the Jewish-Muslim Women's Network, which builds understanding and friendship through local groups around the country. Nisa-Nashim aims to promote ways in which Jewish and Muslim women can understand that their similarities are greater than their differences, through a range of shared initiatives that support their leadership journeys and encourage them to form meaningful personal relationships, while benefiting the wider society in which they live. Laura has called publicly for more initiatives to bring moderate voices together.

Her own leadership roles including being the current chair of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, and former senior vice president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews. In 2015 she was appointed OBE for services to Interfaith Relations. Her contribution to reconciliation and interfaith cooperation has been and continues to be outstanding.

#### **Mrs Karina Martin**

## The Langton Award for Community Service for her unique work with refugees and asylum-seekers

Karina Martin has made a unique contribution to the churches' welcome to refugees and asylum-seekers. After helping to plant a church in Estonia, Karina returned to the UK in 1998 to join Community Church Derby where, in 2002, she started focusing on outreach to refugees arriving in the city. In 2005 she founded a highly successful refugee charity called Upbeat Communities and led this up to January 2018. The charity developed several innovative projects, including Welcome Boxes for newly arrived refugees; 'Upbeat Incubator' - an enterprise training and start-up scheme for refugees; and a community café staffed by refugees, as well as other programmes to encourage integration of refugees and asylum seekers with the local community. More than 5000 refugees who have arrived in Derby since 2002 have been helped by these programmes.

Seeing a need for much wider involvement across the UK, she established and is now the Executive Director of Welcome Churches. This is a charity set up to inspire, equip and empower churches across the UK to welcome and support refugees. Karina's dream is that no refugee should be alone in this country. She is also a trustee of the Refugee Support Network, and is on the leadership team of the European Refugee Highway Partnership. With her husband Adam, Karina is a member of the senior leadership team of Reach, a church in 5 locations across the East Midlands with many refugee members.

#### The Rt Hon Sir Andrew McFarlane

The Canterbury Cross for outstanding legal service to the Church of England

Sir Andrew McFarlane has served the Church with distinction as Chair of the Clergy Discipline Commission and President of the Tribunals since 2013. He nobly agreed to fill the not insubstantial shoes of Sir John Mummery, the first President of Tribunals, and has maintained the dignified tone and high standards of his predecessor as the CDC has matured.

As President of Tribunals his judgements on often difficult areas have been prudent and astute, ever disinterested but never uninterested. His oversight of clergy discipline has coincided with a period when the Church's approach to safeguarding has developed markedly, often with implications for disciplinary cases. He has managed these developments admirably, handling difficult casework with a sensitivity doubtless informed by his extensive experience as a Family Law judge. His dedication and capacity are all the more remarkable given the numerous other demands upon his time as a Lord Justice of Appeal, Supervising Lord Justice for Family Cases, and, since July 2018, President of the Family Division. He has also been Chancellor of the Diocese of Exeter since 2005 and Chair of the Cathedral Council at Hereford since 2017.

The Church has benefited not only from Sir Andrew's legal acumen, but also from his skill with livestock. Not every High Court judge would be so willing to provide a donkey for nativity services and dutifully to manage its processional needs, pooper-scooper in hand. His accessibility and good sense of humour despite the substantial burdens he carries are of real credit to him. As he sets down the chairmanship of the CDC, Sir Andrew has clearly made a signal contribution to the life of the Church.

#### The Reverend Ian Mobsby

## The Dunstan Award for Prayer and the Religious Life for his exceptional contribution to the creation and growth of new religious communities

Ian Mobsby, writer, speaker and missioner, is the Priest in Charge of St Luke's Church Camberwell and the elected Prior of the Wellspring Community in Peckham as well as the Woolwich Episcopal Area Mission Enabler. He has founded a number of new monastic communities including the Moot Community when he was formerly the <u>Priest in Charge</u> of the Guild Church of <u>St Mary Aldermary</u> in the <u>City of London</u>. His background is in <u>Emerging and Fresh Expressions of Church</u> and in particular <u>New Monasticism</u> and as an associate missioner of the Fresh Expression initiative.

Ian's work has been seminal in encouraging new religious communities, both through practical example and in fostering depth of reflection on the phenomenon of new monasticism. He has worked tirelessly in giving birth to such new communities, in the UK and abroad, writing in practical theology, helping others to reflect with him, and giving consistent support to other communities as they take their first few steps. In addition, he has worked collaboratively and creatively with traditional communities in enabling bridges of understanding, good practice and learning.

Bishop David Walker of Manchester, who has a lead responsibility for religious communities, has said that Ian has made an unparalleled contribution through his writings, his practical engagements and his support for the bringing together of the new communities.

Ian is, in short, one of the main individual contributors to the renewal of the religious life through new communities in the UK today.

#### Mr Emmanuel Oladipo

## The Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness for his exceptional contribution to the Scripture Union in Africa and worldwide.

Emmanuel Oladipo was one of the key leaders of Fellowship of Christian Students, Scripture Union (SU) ministry in Northern Nigeria. He was a student member when the ministry was inaugurated in 1957. He served FCS, first as a Travelling Secretary in 1967 and left as the General Secretary in 1981. After serving in Nigeria, he moved on to become the first African to head the Africa Regional office of Scripture Union in Nairobi from 1982 to 1992. During his time, the ministry of Scripture Union expanded to many parts of Africa.

From 1992, Emmanuel was appointed the International Secretary of Scripture Union making him the first African to head Scripture Union at the highest level. He served in that position until retirement in 2005. He oversaw the work in 130 countries. He undertook the role with distinction as he headed a multi-cultural leadership team.

The ministry of Scripture Union expanded during his time as SU undertook ministry to children, young people and families and promoted Bible reading throughout the 130 countries where SU had a presence.

When he retired as International Secretary of Scripture Union, Emmanuel Oladipo undertook a part time role of leading preaching seminars across the continent of Africa through the Langham Preaching scheme. Through these seminars, many preachers, ordained and lay, have been impacted positively across the African continent. He also initiated and nurtured work in different countries during his time.

#### **Sr Rachel Overton**

## The Dunstan Award for Prayer and the Religious Life for her work in forming spiritual directors and the quiet holiness which she conveys as a solitary religious.

Sr Rachel joined the Order of the Holy Paraclete in 1986 and professed her life vows as a solitary religious in 2009. The Bishop of Peterborough has had guardianship of her vows since 2011 and she has been his Spirituality Adviser since September 2012. The title of the role scarcely does justice to the range of activities in which she is involved.

Her most significant recent work has been the running of her second, two-year course in Spiritual Direction, called Holy Listening. This is run in conjunction with the diocese of Leicester at Launde Abbey but Sr Rachel is the driving force behind it. The transformation of the people on the course over that period of time has been truly remarkable and is, in no small part, due to the input of Sr Rachel which is unfailingly excellent. All this has been done against a background of bereavement and continuing health issues.

She is a real asset throughout the diocese and in the cathedral, where she is both well-known and highly regarded. Her ministry of spiritual direction cannot be overstated, though it is, by its nature, quiet and unobtrusive. She is the sort of person who exudes a quiet and gentle holiness and by her lifestyle and character she naturally and instinctively draws people closer to God.

#### **Hugh Rayment-Pickard**

# The Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship for his exceptional contribution to improving the higher education prospects of disadvantaged pupils.

From a homework club in 2002 in a North Kensington church where Hugh was vicar, IntoUniversity (IU) has grown into a major presence in the UK educational charity sector. As of autumn 2018, it operates 30 centres across the UK and is growing. It already reaches over 35,000 young people who would normally not prosper at school – let alone progress to tertiary education - enabling them to achieve their potential against the odds. Whilst fewer than 26% of all children receiving free school meals get to university, the percentage for IU is 74%.

Any such enterprise is a team effort but Hugh's personal vision and drive are universally acknowledged to be crucial to IU's success. With Dr Rachel Carr OBE, he has from the start devoted himself to those for whom the UK educational playing field is far from level, tirelessly advocating on their behalf with individual and corporate donors and supporters. Whilst IU is a secular organisation, its ethos and its success owe much to Hugh's personal Christian commitment to improving the educational lot of disadvantaged children.

A published author of books of Christian theology and a former lecturer in philosophy, Hugh's personal contribution to Christian education is noteworthy. In IU, he has combined his academic rigour and his concern for the disadvantaged into a strikingly humane, effective and efficient charity which continues to change for the better the educational and social prospects of many, many young people. He is an inspiration to IU staff and associates alike.

#### Professor Mona Siddiqui

## The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation for her sustained, eloquent and articulate advocacy of interfaith dialogue

Mona Siddiqui, Professor of Islamic and Interreligious Studies at the University of Edinburgh, is amongst this country's most eloquent and articulate advocates for interfaith dialogue and a most cogent commentator on current affairs, religion and public life. In 2011 she became the first person to hold a chair in Islamic and Interreligious Studies when she joined the University of Edinburgh's Divinity school, after working at Glasgow University directing the Centre for the Study of Islam. Her research is primarily in the field of Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh) and ethics and Christian-Muslim relations. Her books on aspects of Islamic thought and Christian-Muslim relations include The Good Muslim: Reflections on classical Islamic law and theology, Christians, Muslims and Jesus and Hospitality in Islam: Welcoming in God's name. A personal and theological reflection, My Way: A Muslim woman's journey, is based on her own experience.

A regular commentator in the media, known especially for her appearances on BBC Radio 4 and BBC Radio Scotland's Thought for the Day, she is much in demand nationally and internationally for her measured and intelligent insights into events. In 2016 she was invited by the Home Office to lead an independent review of *shari'a* councils in the UK. She is a visiting professor at several universities and the recipient of numerous research awards. She is a fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and holds six honorary doctorates and an honorary

fellowship of the Royal Society of Scottish Architects, for her contributions to public life. In 2011, she was appointed OBE for her services to interfaith relations.

#### **Mr Jonathan Spencer CB**

# The Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England for his selfless dedication to the work of the Church of England Pensions Board

Jonathan Spencer has been an exemplary Chair of the Church of England Pensions Board, charting its course in the aftermath of the global financial crisis ten years ago, as well as overseeing huge changes to the financing of clergy housing. In all this he has seen his responsibilities as Christian ministry and an outworking of his faith. Jonathan became Chair of the Pensions Board in January 2009 and has served selflessly during this time, working unremunerated for over 50 days each year. He will retire in April 2019, having completed over 10 years' service. Following the untimely death of Bernadette Kenny, Jonathan stepped into the breach and took on a quasi-executive role to support the Executive Leadership Team during the difficult time, until a successor was found for her. This amounted to an additional day or so each week, often in Church House, for nine months.

During his term of office, he has led the Pensions Board through considerable change, so that it now delivers a much greater and effective contribution to those who have worked for or served the Church of England. Under his leadership, the Board has grown in its range of services and become more focused on its customers, it has become more diverse (in all senses). With his passion for investors to tackle and highlight climate change, the Board has become a player on the world stage on this issue.

During these years, when the Board has been faced with difficult decisions he has acted with grace and diplomacy to lead the Board to a collective decision. He is a highly respected figure in the Church of England and held in great esteem by the General Synod for his calm, unflustered and reassuring approach. His contribution has been outstanding.