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Alphabetical Order

Canon Peter Adams – the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation

For his leadership, inspiration and practical action in the field of reconciliation, interfaith cooperation and anti-extremism work in Luton, as well as nationally and internationally.

Peter has made outstanding contributions in the field of reconciliation and interfaith co-operation. Settling in Luton in 2007 after twenty-six years with Youth With A Mission, during which time he oversaw the provision of training, especially focused on intercultural relations and understanding other worldviews, he has worked voluntarily (in the main) as a community mediator and peacemaker.

Peter played a crucial role in opposing extremism from both the al-Muhajiroun and also the English Defence League and, later, Britain First. Working closely with Muslim colleagues and others he is a major inspiration for enhanced community cooperation and has done much to challenge the extremist narrative of inevitable inter-religious conflict. This included community mediation on the ground in the face of protest, close co-operation with local agencies, and one to one engagement with individual extremist leaders. Peter is courageous in his readiness to stand up for right.

He has built on this, working with Christian and Muslim colleagues and others to further cohesion. This includes various projects such as FACES (Faiths Against Children's Sexual Exploitation). He is Director of the St Mary's Centre for Peace and Reconciliation. He is deeply trusted and respected.

His contribution and impact go much wider. He is trustee of 'Hope Not Hate' and works with others on national mediation projects. Joining a project run by Scottish Mediation, he helped provide a community dialogue hub engaging with protestors at COP26.

All this is undergirded by his Christian faith. Peter is Lay Chair of St Albans Diocesan Synod, on General Synod, Vice-Chair of Luton Food Bank, and Lay Chair of Luton Deanery.

Canon Linda Ali - the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England

For her outstanding contribution to the cause of Racial Justice in society and in the Church of England over twenty-five years

Born in Trinidad and Tobago in 1943, Canon Linda Ali came to Britain in 1961 to study beauty therapy/film & stage make up in Mayfair London. Despite experiencing racial discrimination, and not wishing to disappoint her parents, Canon Ali was determined to make a success of her life.

After a long career in Trade Mark management, between 1997 and 2001, she completed undergraduate and postgraduate degrees with a developing focus on Racial Justice, including an MA thesis titled 'West Indian Nurses working in the National Health Service 1950s-1960s'. This led to research with The National Archives to develop an online exhibition about people of colour in Britain since the Roman Empire. As an active member of the Set All Free Executive, from 2005 to 2007, she helped prepare the national resources and events for the 2007 Bicentenary Commemoration of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act. She was also involved with the Centenary Commemorations of the WWI Armistice, in 2018, through the project 'They Also Served', honouring the contributions made by African and Caribbean service personnel in the Great War.

Since 2005, Canon Ali has been a member of the General Synod of the Church of England, serving as a member of the Committee for Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC) between 2005 and 2015/6. Concurrently, she was actively involved in 'Turning up the Volume', a project that aimed to increase the number of minority ethnic clergy in senior positions, and as the CMEAC Diocesan Link Person for the Diocese of York.

Canon Ali was elected to the Chapter of York Minster in 2021. Most recently, she has been instrumental in establishing, with the Archbishop of York, the Diocese of York Racial Justice Task Group, including appointing the advocates who will progress this work with the next generation.

Robin Baird-Smith – the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship.

For half-a-century's work in religious publishing, publishing the works of Archbishops, Bishops, Popes, Cardinals, the Chief Rabbi, as well as many Anglican and Roman Catholic clergy.

Since 1968, when he joined Darton, Longman & Todd, Robin Baird-Smith has been one of the most significant and outstanding forces in religious publishing. In positions at Collins, Constable, Duckworth, and latterly at Bloomsbury Continuum, he has worked consistently and hard to keep religious publishing alive on mainstream publishing lists, whether it be as the publisher of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book; of books by Rowan Williams and Justin Welby; as the British publisher of works by Pope Francis; or as the publisher and editor of scores of books of spiritual and doctrinal importance by members of the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church. Particularly notable books include *Yes to God* by Alan Ecclestone, and *Love's Endeavour, Love's Expense* by W.H. Vanstone. Robin Baird-Smith also discovered the late Rabbi Lionel Blue, and published *The Dignity of Difference* by the late Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks.

The recently published memoir by the politician Frank Field, *Politics, Poverty, and Belief*, which looks at the part played by Field's religious beliefs in his career in the House of Common demonstrates the range of Robin Baird-Smith's life as a religious publisher, as does his forthcoming list: a spiritual work by Rowan Williams, and a last work by Pope Benedict XVI. The world of religious publishing would be a much poorer place without the outstanding contribution of Robin Baird-Smith.

Mr George Barber - the Thomas Cranmer Award for worship

For sustained excellence in his service to church music in Stockton-on-Tees and the Durham Diocese

George Barber was appointed as the Organist and Choirmaster at St. Peter's Church, Stockton-on-Tees in 1966 and has continued in the role to this day. St Peter's choir stands out as a beacon of excellence amongst

parish church choirs nationally because of the enthusiasm and leadership provided by George Barber.

Through participation in the choir, hundreds of people within Stockton-on-Tees have had an opportunity to engage with and perform church music to a high standard. St. Peter's Church is situated in a deprived area of the town and the choir has had a transformative effect on many children from the surrounding area. They faithfully lead worship twice each Sunday and have had unique opportunities to lead worship in Cathedrals and churches across the UK and Europe as well as sharing their musical talents with those most in need locally, such as at the local hospice.

George's inspiration, commitment and unending support for the choir have influenced innumerable lives over many decades and have been a constant source of inspiration and encouragement to generations of choristers. George's legacy stands as a wonderful example of how music, combined with vision, commitment and dedication, can act as a powerful force for good within a local community.

Caroline Boddington – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

For her outstanding contribution in transforming the process of senior leadership development and appointment in the Church of England.

Over seventeen years Caroline transformed the process by which senior appointments were made – with a particular focus on ensuring greater diversity among candidates for senior roles. As well as supporting those exploring senior leadership roles and those involved in discerning candidates, Caroline has led the transformation of the leadership and ministerial development for bishops and deans, and for those who are thinking about wider leadership roles in the future through the Strategic Leadership Development Programme.

Caroline has led the modernisation of the processes that ensure that the recruitment for appointments to senior ecclesiastical office is fair and transparent – as well as grounded in prayer and guided by the Holy Spirit.

She has also overseen the induction of bishops and deans into their new roles.

It is hard to overstate the impact that Caroline has had on the Church of England. Inspired by her deep faith and devoted discipleship, Caroline's leadership has been marked by a tireless willingness to ask the difficult questions and challenge thinking and processes. As a result, senior appointments increasingly reflect the diversity of the people of God and the Church of Jesus Christ.

Caroline has been committed to providing bishops and deans with continual support and development, while nurturing the next generation of leaders. These have been gifts to the Church that will bear fruit for many years to come.

Dr Paolo Cesare Coniglio OBE – the Canterbury Cross for services to the Church of England

For outstanding service to the Church of England in Italy, particularly in negotiation of a successful agreement between the Italian state and the Associazione Chiesa d'Inghilterra.

A prominent member of the Anglican community in Italy and a member of the Parish of Holy Cross, Palermo, Paolo Coniglio has been instrumental in the successful development and implementation of a strategy to achieve legal recognition of the Church of England's churches and chaplaincies in Italy. This came to pass, after many years work, on 15 December 2021 when the Treaty between the Church of England in Italy and the Italian Republic came into force.

Dr Coniglio drew on his network of contacts with legal and constitutional expertise within Italy over a period of twenty years and it was his determination, enterprise and enthusiasm for this project that ensured its success. He founded a legal entity, the Association of the Church of England in Italy, and secured its recognition, thereby unlocking great benefits for the Diocese in Europe's churches, clergy and people in Italy.

Without Dr Coniglio's outstanding and untiring determination, this project could have fallen at the first (or second, or third) hurdle but, as a result of his expertise and the leveraging of his extensive contacts, all the necessary consents and approvals were achieved to the benefit of the mission and ministry of the Church of England in Italy.

Ken Costa – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England

For his outstanding contributions to the Church of England, not least in chairing the Lambeth Trust

In his several roles, Ken Costa has made an outstanding contribution to the ministry of the Archbishops of Canterbury and more widely to the promotion of Christianity in daily life. Ken served from 2014 to 2022 as the Chair of the Lambeth Trust, which supports the work and mission of present and former Archbishops of Canterbury. During his tenure, over £9m was raised to support Archbishop Justin Welby's priorities of Evangelism and Witness; Prayer and the Renewal of the Religious Life; and Reconciliation. Ken led with passion and determination, helping to raise crucial funding and creating a wonderful community of Lambeth Partners. Ken was also the inaugural chair of the Reconciling Leaders Network, where his intellect, creativity and deep love for Christ helped to create a resource to train and equip people to disagree well.

Beyond Lambeth Palace, Ken's contribution to the Church of England has also been truly exceptional. As Chair of Alpha International, Church Warden of Holy Trinity Brompton, Chair of Worship Central and Dean of Leadership College London, he has consistently pointed people towards Jesus and inspired others to find their identity in Christ. As a leading figure in the City of London, Ken developed *God at Work*, a ministry that equips people to be salt and light in their workplaces. His successful 2016 book *God at Work: Live Each Day with Purpose* has further contributed to this mission.

John Dean – the Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness

For providing high quality training which, over time, has produced Christian leaders for both the Church and public life.

Through his work with Scripture Union, John Dean has had a profound influence on a whole generation of Christian leaders. Starting in the Islamic context of Northern Nigeria, that influence extended all over English-speaking Africa before ultimately going global.

John's particular forte was training and his motto was "Train and Trust." He trained and trusted thousands of boys and girls to lead their Bible Study groups in schools, colleges and holiday camps and also adult volunteers and staff workers to look after them; and he entrusted them with ever-increasing levels of responsibility. The principles he instilled in them were carried by many into professional lives as leaders and administrators in politics, in industry, and in the Church. They include State governors, university Vice Chancellors, and bishops and archbishops in several denominations and countries.

John practised what he preached in his personal disciplines of Bible study and prayer and in keeping physically fit. He gave his time and money freely, and was responsible for raising and channelling hundreds of thousands of pounds to worthy causes around the world. He served on Boards of charities that promote theological education and mission, including Nigeria's National Congress on Evangelization, Overseas Council for Theological Education and Mission, Dame Violet Wills Trust, All Nations Christian College, Easneye, Ware, and the Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology. A Lay Reader first at All Saints Cathedral in Nairobi since the 1970's, he continued in his village church of Seagrave where he lives with Janet his wife and comrade-in-arms.

The Reverend Dr John Deane – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion.

For his outstanding leadership in the Communion in the area of holistic mission, including leading the Anglican Board of Mission, Church of Australia, for over 20 years and playing a leading catalytic role in the formation of the Anglican Alliance.

The Reverend Dr John Deane has played an outstanding role in building the capacity and effectiveness of the Anglican Communion in holistic mission, including in humanitarian relief and sustainable development. As a leading thinker, John has shaped the vision of the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) into a significant agency serving the global Church with partnerships throughout the Anglican Communion, and especially in Asia and the Pacific. The long-standing relationships of trust which John has established across many provinces have proved valuable, especially in fragile contexts such as Myanmar. He has led in shaping the vision and quality of ABM's work which has provided a foundation for collaborative programming, joint advocacy, and technical excellence in a range of development sectors. In particular, ABM's work on gender justice, disaster relief and asset-based community development (ABCD) has brought recognition from the Australian government and other secular agencies, not just for ABM, but for the provinces with which they partner. John has also been a driving force in the establishment of the Anglican Alliance, having envisaged the need for such a platform to connect and equip the Anglican family of churches and agencies. He worked intensively with others to build relationships and commitment on which to establish the Anglican Alliance and has continued to steer its development as a Trustee for six years and now as Chair of the Circle of Elders. John is guided by his faith and belief in the potential of the Church as a vehicle for God's mission in the world. In late 2022 he also completed the 500 miles pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela.

The Reverend Cortland Fransella – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

For outstanding service to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the community of Lambeth Palace over many years.

Cortland Fransella has served two Archbishops of Canterbury and the Palace Community at Lambeth Palace since 2011 following his 40 year diplomatic career, coming initially to assist with correspondence and swiftly being noted by his colleagues for his ability to respond, on behalf of the Archbishop, to the whole variety of correspondents with unfailing courtesy, clarity and pastoral sense. Cortland joined the Chaplaincy Team in 2011 as Assistant Chaplain to the then Archbishop, served twice as Acting Chaplain, and was especially appreciated in this role in the support of his colleagues through remote working during the pandemic. His kindness and imagination in reaching out to Lambeth Team, sustaining contact with Easter greetings and little gifts, with gentle wit and unobtrusive support and with unfailing sensitivity was deeply appreciated.

At Lambeth, Cortland also took on the significant task of Lambeth Awards Officer, serving in this role from 2014-2022, reforming and reshaping the Lambeth Awards to fit current and future needs and supporting the Lambeth Research Degrees in Theology.

Beyond Lambeth, among other pastoral roles, Cortland served for 14 years in parish ministry in North London, and since 2012 as Assistant Priest at the Chapels Royal in the Tower of London. There his preaching and teaching ministry have brought enquirers to Christ and to confirmation, and he has played an essential part in building a gracious and welcoming community.

Cortland is also an enthusiastic volunteer, and member of the Advisory Panel, for IntoUniversity, which aims to level the playing field for children from disadvantaged backgrounds who aspire to go to university or into further education.

A wise and thoughtful priest and a person of great integrity, particularly noted for his selfless and self-effacing commitment to others, for this exemplary service in the Church of England, in support of the ministry of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and as a minister of word and sacrament, Cortland Fransella is awarded the Canterbury Cross.

The Reverend David R. Gould – the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation.

For spearheading an award winning, innovative interfaith and peacebuilding work in Smethwick that has made a significant difference to interfaith relations in that area and beyond.

In the West Midlands the Reverend David Gould has formed and led the Faithful Friends interfaith group in Smethwick that brings together Christian, Muslim, Sikh and Hindu representatives from across the borough. The group has pioneered a model of interfaith engagement based on visiting places of special spiritual significance which they call Faithful Friends on Tour. This has led to the group visiting key sites in the UK as well as Amritsar and Israel/Palestine. They have worked closely with local schools to encourage friendship between children of different faiths. The project has, in turn, inspired Women First, an interfaith group for women. Faithful Friends were awarded the first Together For Hope Award by Coventry Cathedral. Through David's leadership they are in regular close contact with local civic institutions and leaders and he has ensured that the different faiths are represented at key moments such as Remembrance Day. The group has worked together to promote peace by standing together at significant occasions, and played an important role in defusing local tensions between Muslims and Hindus.

Many leaders have been to Smethwick to learn about this work and in 2023 the group were due to travel to Scandinavia to work with faith groups in Oslo, Stockholm and Copenhagen keen to learn from this model.

The Reverend Doctor Malcolm Guite – the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship

For his outstanding multifaceted promotion of the Gospels through poetry, public speaking and scholarship.

Malcolm Guite is a well-known and widely-admired poet whose sonnets in particular are a source of spiritual understanding. At a time when some may feel that Christian poetry is fading, he has helped to maintain the

tradition of the priest-poet. His own books of poetry, in which he often favours the sonnet form, sit alongside his scholarly studies of other poets. As an academic, he has taken as the focus of his research interests as the interface between theology and the arts, more specifically theology and literature, with special interests in British poets and in writers such as Samuel Taylor Coleridge, C. S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien . His many books include a reflection on the work of Coleridge and collections of poems for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany, for Lent and Easter, for the Christian Year and on other themes, as well as works encouraging readers to understand and explore the Christian faith.

His most immediate impact for many readers may derive from his weekly column in the Church Times where, though his poetry and that of others, he provides pointed and timely reflections on Christian themes in a way both erudite and accessible. His public appearances at literary festivals are hugely popular and in this way he reaches beyond those who might habitually read Christian poetry. Through his scholarly work and his poems, he continues to make a quietly outstanding contribution to the Christian understanding and appreciation of literature in its various forms.

The Reverend Raymond Hemingray – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

For outstanding services to ecclesiastical law and the Church of England

Raymond Hemingray has devoted much of his professional life and retirement to the service of the Church, both as a lawyer and as a self-supporting priest. His particular gift and distinctive contribution have been the complete modernisation of the reporting of ecclesiastical judgments. In the words of Professor Norman Doe, “He has, quite simply, revolutionised the practice and study of ecclesiastical law”.

Having recognised the potential for using IT in his everyday work as a diocesan registrar for 40 years until his retirement in 2014, Ray combined self-taught skills with his professional expertise in ecclesiastical law. Initially, in 1989, he designed and produced database software for diocesan registrars. He also created a web site for the Ecclesiastical Law

Association. He then progressed to collate, summarise and digitise a massive (and continuing) library of ecclesiastical case law. Beginning in 2006, he has so far assembled on the Ecclesiastical Law Association web site a digital on-line library of over 1200 judgements of ecclesiastical courts.

This on-line library quickly established itself as an invaluable ‘go-to’ resource for the Church’s lawyers at every level: judges, registrars, archdeacons and DAC members, as well as those engaged in academic research. Importantly, this on-line library is available, free of charge, to the public. In addition, for Diocesan Registrars, Ray has compiled a collection of ecclesiastical forms and precedents, which members of the Ecclesiastical Law Association can access from the Association’s web site. Ray has continued this work during his retirement and issues case summaries of contemporary judgements several times each month.

Ray’s software and on-line library have contributed significantly to the accessibility of Church law and the efficiency of legal processes, through his outstanding, single-handed work to transfer ecclesiastical case law from paper to electronic records.

Brother Christopher John SSF – the Dunstan Award for Prayer and the Religious Life

For a lifetime of outstanding service through SSF across the Anglican Communion

Brother Christopher John is the Minister General of the Society of St Francis. He has provided a lifetime of service through the Society of St Francis. An irenic and careful leader, he is respected, very able and intelligent. He has the confidence both of the Order and of the wider Church. He has served as Guardian, General Secretary and then Minister Provincial prior to assuming responsibility as Minister General. He founded the Korean SSF friary and grew the order there quietly for many years as guardian. He served in the chaplaincy to ACC-17 and the 2022 Lambeth Conference, leading international teams of members of different religious communities and providing pastoral support with grace and insight.

Earlier in his ministry he made significant contributions to education and training development for non-stipendiary clergy, and as part of the Franciscan community in Auckland worked in various mission and educational programmes which were influential and effective in terms of Franciscan spirituality and which have had a lasting impact.

He has completed postgraduate a Masters in Franciscan studies with distinction and recently received a PhD in Peace and Conflict Studies.

Brother Christopher John is a humble, insightful, dedicated and effective leader whose understated contribution has provided outstanding leadership across the Anglican Communion.

The Venerable Dr Hirini Kaa – the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship

For outstanding service as a Church Historian and Theological Educator and for outstanding scholarship in the research and publication of the award-winning book Te Hahi Mihinare – The Maori Anglican Church.

Archdeacon Dr Hirini Kaa, whose father was an archdeacon and whose grandfather was also prominent in the church, has a deep knowledge of the history of Māori Anglicanism. He has over two decades of experience as an educator in the Church and university sectors, and is a highly sought after public theologian and commentator. His book Te Hahi Mihinare is a ground-breaking look at the birth, growth, struggles and ongoing life of the Maori Anglican Church - a first-of-its-kind look at the development of the Māori Anglican Church from the point of view of the Indigenous Māori Anglicans who were involved. The research is ground-breaking and provides never before seen insights into the struggle to establish the Māori Church and to appoint the first Māori Bishop.

Since publication the book has been recognised by several awards: as Co-winner of the W.H. Oliver Prize for Best Book, NZHA 2021; Winner of the Erik Olssen Prize for Best First Book, NZHA 2021; Co-winner of the 2021 Ernest Scott Prize; and Shortlisted for the General Non-

fiction Award at the 2021 Ockham NZ Book Awards as one of the top five Non-fiction books published in New Zealand that year. He has said “Christianity, as expressed through the Bible, is actually always “translated” into a culture. So while the missionaries read it as English(men) influenced by centuries of European thought, Māori were always going to read the Bible as Māori.”

The Reverend Canon John Kafwanka Kaoma – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For his outstanding leadership in the Anglican Communion as Director for Mission at the ACO, inspiring churches on engaging with the Marks of Mission and playing a leading role in envisioning the Season (Decade) of Intentional Discipleship.

The Reverend Canon John Kafwanka served as Principal of St John’s Anglican Seminary, Kitwe, Zambia, before working for CMS as Regional Manager for Southern Africa, supporting churches and church leaders in Angola, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa and Zambia.

Following that ministry in Zambia, John served at the Anglican Communion Office in London for some 14 years, eleven of these as Director for Mission. In this role he was responsible to monitor mission trends in the Anglican Communion and across world Christianity and feed into Anglican Communion structures. He facilitated and helped to shape the Communion’s understanding of the Five Marks of Mission. He supported several provinces in defining their own strategies for holistic mission. He worked with leaders across the Anglican Communion in developing and promoting the Season (Decade) of Intentional Discipleship & Disciple-making, including his editorial work on key resources.

John promoted and supported mutual interdependence among companion partnership links in the Anglican Communion. John was also part of the core team to develop the concept of the Anglican Alliance following the 2008 Lambeth Conference. He also served a number of Anglican Communion networks and commissions including, International Anglican Family Network, Anglican Youth Network, Anglican

Communion Environmental Network, and Anglican Interfaith Commission.

John brought a deep warmth, humility and insight to his role at the ACO and was greatly valued for his warmth, active faith and commitment to mission. In 2020 he was one of the editors of *God's Church for God's World – A Practical Approach to Partnership in Mission*. His impact has been extraordinary.

Professor Amy-Jill Levine, Ph.D – the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation.

For developing awareness about Jesus' Jewish identity and the Jewish contexts of the New Testament, and for unflagging education efforts in church and popular settings

Professor Amy-Jill Levine (AJ), a remarkable Jewish scholar of the New Testament, is University Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies Emerita and Mary Jane Werthan Professor of Jewish Studies Emerita at Vanderbilt in Nashville, TN (USA) and currently Rabbi Stanley M. Kessler Distinguished Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace in Hartford, CT (USA). Her books highlighting the Jewish context of the New Testament bring fresh and challenging insights that undermine common anti-Jewish tropes in Christian exegesis.

AJ's work has been referenced in major reflections on Christian-Jewish relations, including the Church of England's own 2019 *God's Unfailing Word*. In 2020 she led an online teaching session for Church of England bishops. Her open, generous and witty teaching style has gained her a hearing and influence across Christian traditions. Many working on Christian-Jewish relations owe her a great debt in providing biblical and historical materials for preaching and teaching that help Christians avoid promoting contempt of our Jewish neighbours. She has contributed to training courses and reflections for churches throughout the world, including the World Council of Churches.

AJ is a popular speaker and educator and author of dozens of books and articles on the New Testament, the historical Jesus, and Jewish-Christian relations, including most recently, *The Bible With And Without Jesus: How Jews and Christians Read the Same Stories Differently* (HarperCollins, 2020, with Marc Zvi Brettler) and *The Pharisees* (Eerdmans, 2021), co-edited with Joseph Sievers. Her study Bible, *The Jewish Annotated New Testament*, co-edited with Marc Zvi Brettler, is a landmark of scholarship, consulted by Christian preachers around the world. In 2019 she was the first Jew to teach New Testament at Rome's Pontifical Biblical Institute, and in 2021 she was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

She has given over 500 lectures around the globe on the Bible, Christian-Jewish relations, and Religion, Gender, and Sexuality. Her contributions to Jewish-Christian understanding have been outstanding.

Ms Clair Malik, Mother of Deaf in Egypt – the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship

For committing her whole life to the Education of the Special Needs Children, especially the hearing impaired

Deaf children in Egypt have traditionally faced serious obstacles when seeking an education because many come from poor families and rural areas far from the capital, Cairo. Clair Malik, an educator who founded and built the Egyptian diocese of the Episcopal Church's Deaf Unit from scratch in 1982, said the school must work not only with deaf children, but also with their parents, many of whom come from poor and rural areas and are often uneducated. Almost half the teachers are deaf, while the rest are hearing. The students learn Egyptian Sign Language, Arabic and English and the school also teaches sign language to parents, families, and communities. As a result, deaf students are able to communicate better at home.

In addition to founding and overseeing the Deaf Unit, Clair Malik prepared, trained and qualified interpreters to work in Egyptian universities, implementing educational plans to prepare hearing-impaired students so that they could complete their studies at Egyptian universities.

She prepared and equipped a vocational training centre to serve the deaf and hearing impaired in various trades such as wood work, metal work, sawing and tentmaking to help them to be self reliant.

Clair Malik studied at Gallaudet University for the deaf in Washington, DC, even though she is herself not deaf, thereby gaining deep insights into deaf communication and culture, which have enabled her to make an outstanding contribution to the welfare and life prospects of young deaf people in Egypt.

Lee Marshall – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

For outstanding service to diversity and inclusion in the Church of England, particularly in the National Church Institutions

Lee Marshall has worked tirelessly to promote and advocate for diversity and inclusion, both as Chief of Staff at the Church of England Pensions Board, and outside Church House as Trustee, and often Chair, of several charities over the past 35 years. This has included the Diversity Project Charity, promoting diversity and “putting inclusion into practice” through the investment world, the StandUp Foundation, an anti-bullying charity, and as co-founder of Stonewall.

Lee has worked for the National Church Institutions for almost 40 years in various capacities with a commitment to diversity and inclusion underlying and underpinning his work. In 2007, recognising that there was a need to provide support to gay staff in particular, as debate swirled around LGBT issues in the Church of England, he co-founded the NCI’s LGBT staff network – the *Last Thursday Group*. Action, not just words, was important to promote an inclusive culture in Church House.

He has worked extensively, and passionately, on ensuring that the trustee bodies within the National Church Institutions are diverse and inclusive. When appointed to his current role in 2009, the Pensions Board had only 5% women and no data on the diversity mix. In 2021, when the Board’s restructuring was approved by the General Synod, a key indicator of success was achieving greater diversity. The result being a trustee body

with 42% women, as well as trustees from a global majority heritage background and declaring a disability.

Lee worked to ensure that a full diversity profile of the trustee body was developed to ensure that future appointments maintained this diversity. He has also worked with others to promote diversity and inclusion across all the National Church Institutions both amongst the staff and those charged with their governance.

Fiona Millican – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For her outstanding contribution to the strength, continuity and functionality of the Anglican Communion.

Throughout a distinguished career, Fiona Millican provided outstanding support to three successive Archbishops of Canterbury. Through her wisdom, intellect and thoughtfulness, Fiona enriched and facilitated each of their ministries throughout the Anglican Communion. Her rich knowledge and experience of the Communion's Instruments and activities were greatly valued and appreciated by colleagues.

Keeping Archbishops on the move, Fiona diligently researched, planned and delivered innumerable overseas trips, herself accompanying Archbishops on several. Transforming and professionalising the way that trips were prepared and administered – including an innovative way of briefing – Fiona ensured that time abroad was impactful. Archbishop Justin's ambitious desire to visit every Province of the Communion within 18 months was realised largely through Fiona's work.

During her time at Lambeth Palace, Fiona made a tremendous contribution to the strengthening of worldwide relationships. Acting as a vital point of contact with the Archbishop, Fiona played an important role in liaising with the Provinces and ensuring that effective channels of communication were greatly enhanced.

Additionally, until 2018 Fiona served the Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund and the Friends of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund with merit. As Secretary, Fiona arranged both of their annual Trustees' meetings and oversaw the administration of each Fund and its grant process, making real-world difference to Anglicans in need.

The activities and functioning of the worldwide Anglican Communion have benefited tremendously from Fiona's outstanding dedication, professionalism and long term service.

The Reverend Mark Yan Ying Sum Nam – the Langton Award for Community Service.

For his outstanding contribution to raising the profile and participation of Chinese-heritage clergy and communities in the Church of England and commitment to serving the overseas Chinese diaspora, in particular those settling in the United Kingdom from Hong Kong.

The Reverend Mark Nam 甄英深 is one of the first British-born Chinese priests in the Church of England. During COVID, Mark founded The Teahouse network bringing together Chinese-heritage clergy. In 2021, The Teahouse was officially launched and warmly received by the Committee for Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC) and the Archbishop of York who said, "I am absolutely delighted to see the formal launch of the Teahouse group. What a wonderful development in our journey towards becoming a church that truly reflects and values the great diversity of life in modern Britain." The Teahouse has gone on to reflect this diversity by raising the profile and participation of Chinese-heritage clergy in the CofE, highlighting the unique concerns and issues facing the Chinese community in the U.K. and providing churches and community groups with the resources and training they need to respond.

One of the main issues facing this community is the unprecedented rise in recorded hate crime. Mark is a core member of Campaign Against Racism Group (CARG) and has worked with government and local authorities to

raise awareness and combat hate-crime against those of East and South-East Asian heritage.

In addition, Mark has been at the forefront of preparing and equipping churches to welcome the 300,000 Hong Kong British National Overseas (BNO) community, at a local and national level, helping grass-level groups connect with their local authorities across the country.

All of these community contributions and achievements are done above and beyond his normal parochial duties as a parish priest.

The Reverend Canon Dr Mark Oakley – the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship

For writing, speaking, leading conferences, study days and retreats, and being in huge demand for helping church people and those not of faith to understand the relationship between poetry and faith.

For nearly 30 years Mark Oakley has been a very popular speaker and writer on poetry and faith. He has toured Canada, Australia, the USA, Europe and the UK, ceaselessly and with enormous energy and skill, helping to build bridges between the Church and poets.

Two Poets Laureate have praised his work. In 2010, the former Poet Laureate, Sir Andrew Motion, wrote a poem dedicated to Oakley entitled "In Winter" and said of him that: "It's extremely unusual to meet anyone who isn't a specialist who has such a subtle feeling for language as he does." When his book *The Splash of Words* was published in 2016 the Poet Laureate Dame Carol Ann Duffy wrote, "This beautiful and wise meditation, centred around the soul language of poetry, opens new windows in the shared house of both poetry and belief." She invited him to be a judge of the Ted Hughes Award for poetry. In 2019 the book received the Michael Ramsey Prize for Theological Writing. In the same year Oakley published a collection of sermons, *By Way of the Heart*, of which the former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams commented in a review, "Mark Oakley is one of the most distinctive, intelligent and refreshing voices in the Church of England, always illuminating, never stale or second-hand".

Mark Oakley's contribution to education, both formal and informal, has been and continues to be outstanding.

Dr Amy Orr-Ewing – the Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness

For exceptional dedication, skill and insight in advocating for the good news of Jesus Christ and unflinching commitment that the church embodies the truth and grace of which it speaks.

Dr Amy Orr-Ewing has been ministering as a full time evangelist since 1998. In that time she has been used by God to enable many to turn and discover the beauty, goodness and truth of the good news of Christ Jesus. She has done this particularly through apologetics, making the case for Christ and God's ways for the world. Through her speaking and presenting, her writing and broadcasting, she has placed herself at the intersection of culture, theology and the critical mind advocating effectively for the truth of the faith.

She has been a pre-eminent Christian public voice in schools and universities, in corporate settings and amongst business ventures. Whether it be to large gathered crowds, small groups or individuals, she has contended for the faith.

She has done the work of an evangelist through enabling the wider church to read both scripture and the prevailing culture in a way which brings hope, challenge and poignancy to the faithful witness to Christ. She has been an example of an uncompromising but engaging proclaimer of grace and truth.

In recent years she has made a significant contribution to the transparency and integrity which befits witnesses of the gospel, through her own personal costly decisions and her advocacy for those who are survivors of abuse and mistreatment. She is a gift to the church and a signpost for the world.

Canon Elizabeth Paver - the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For her outstanding contribution to the life of the Anglican Communion and of the Church of England as a past Vice-Chair of both the Anglican Consultative Council and of the General Synod's House of Laity.

Liz Paver's gentle, affirming and clear leadership is seen in her past work as a senior head teacher and as a prominent lay leader in the Church, locally, nationally and internationally.

Liz was first elected to the Church of England's General Synod in 1991 and she continued to be re-elected as a lay member for the Diocese of Sheffield until her retirement from Synod in 2021. In 1999 she became one of the appointed members on the newly formed Archbishops' Council, serving until 2002.

Her gifts as a leader in education were also recognised nationally, as she became the Centenary President of the National Association of Head Teachers (1997-9) and subsequently represented the NAHT on the General Teaching Council.

In the General Synod Liz served as a member of the Panel of Chairs, and more recently as Vice-Chair of the House of Laity (2015-21). In the Synod she spoke on education matters and guided members through some of the difficult debates of recent years.

In 2009 she was elected as Vice-Chair of the Anglican Consultative Council, serving until 2016. As the Archbishop of York noted in July 2021, "If you think Liz is held in high regard and high esteem in the Church of England - which she most certainly is - wow, you ought to see the esteem with which she is held across the Anglican Communion and the remarkable contribution she has made to the life of our Communion!" These seem fitting words with which to sum up Liz's outstanding contribution.

The Reverend Andrew Piaso – the Langton Award for Community Service.

For long and outstanding service, largely on a voluntary basis, translating prayer books, the Bible, a basic dictionary, and children’s literacy books in local Solomon Island vernaculars.

For the last three decades, the Reverend Andrew Piaso, over and above his role as a priest, has been regarded by his Solomon Islander peers as the ‘dean of local Bible translators’ in the country. He is very skilled in learning different languages - a skill which he has placed firmly at the service of the Gospel and his community. While educated professionally as a priest, it is obvious to his peers that he is the translator that they want to emulate and follow; he has the professional experience and *gravitas* to which they aspire. He was extensively involved translation of the entire bible in languages apart from his own, the Anglican Prayer and Hymn Books, basic dictionary for local language speakers and children’s literacy books. Through his initiative, a lot of translation work was started and picked up by native speakers of these languages. Following the last 30 years of translation work, he is now more involved in professional mentoring - with help, teaching and quality control. His sustained and dedicated work in the field of translation – largely on a voluntary basis - constitute an outstanding contribution to the accessibility of Christian and other educational resources throughout the area.

Robert W. Radtke – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion.

Outstanding leadership in the Anglican Communion in the areas of humanitarian relief and social development, including leading Episcopal Relief & Development since 2005 and playing a leading catalytic role in the formation of the Anglican Alliance.

Dr Robert Radtke has played an outstanding role in building the capacity and effectiveness of the Anglican Communion in humanitarian relief, disaster resilience and sustainable development. As a thought leader in

international development, Rob has shaped the vision of Episcopal Relief & Development into a major agency serving the global Church with partnerships throughout the Anglican Communion. The quality and professionalism of its work has provided a sector lead in faith initiatives, including in the fields of malaria, of early childhood development, of gender justice and of disaster resilience and response. Episcopal Relief and Development's policy and research work has brought recognition from the United Nations and secular agencies not just for the organisation itself, but also for the wider Communion and faith based organisations. Rob has also been a driving force in the establishment of the Anglican Alliance, having envisaged the need for such a platform to connect and equip the Anglican family of churches and agencies. He worked intensively with others to build relationships and commitment on which to establish the Anglican Alliance and continued to steer its development as a Trustee for six years.

Rob is guided by his faith and belief in the potential of the Church as a vehicle for God's mission in the world. In late 2022 he completed the 500 miles pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. His overall contribution to the Anglican Communion and to society more broadly has been outstanding.

Mrs Margot Coleman Clotilde RIORDAN-EVA, MA – the Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England.

For outstanding voluntary service as calligrapher to two Archbishops of Canterbury and to Lambeth Palace.

For thirteen years Margot has given outstanding service to Lambeth Palace as the Volunteer Calligrapher, producing works for the Palace without charge and frequently without reimbursement for materials or other expenses. 2023 will mark her 50 years as a calligrapher.

This is a role to which Margot has brought passion, commitment and dedication; working long hours, at her own expense, for her love of the craft, her loyalty to the institution and for the distinction it adds to the Office of the Archbishops, and their home at Lambeth Palace.

Margot's knowledge, understanding and artistic flair have proved invaluable over the years. Whether producing bookplates for presentation bibles given by the Archbishop, complex place cards for official dinners or fashioning the presentation pages of the official Lambeth Palace Guest Book to mark the distinguished and important guests received by the Archbishop - which in Margot's time has seen Ambassadors, Heads of State, British and Overseas Royalty, Her Majesty The Late Queen, and His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI - Margot has always produced work of an unparalleled standard. Margot has led and developed an evolving 'house style' that both focuses on the individual guest and plays on the Office and Palace's heritage. Each page or place card is carefully thought through and designed with the guest in mind, such as green inks for Arabic guests, or incorporating the colours of the guest's national flag into the ornate borderwork.

Perhaps of greatest note in Margot's catalogue of work are the pieces she has crafted as gifts to be presented on behalf of the Church of England, including items sent overseas, four royal baptismal certificates, and the citation presented to Her Majesty The Queen in 2022 to accompany the Canterbury Cross presented to her by the Archbishop at Windsor Castle, to mark the Platinum Jubilee.

The Reverend Canon Terrie Robinson – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For outstanding and dedicated service to the Anglican Communion with over 16 years at the Anglican Communion Office supporting ecumenical and intra-Anglican dialogue, facilitating the Anglican Communion Networks and establishing the ACO Women's Desk.

The Revd Canon Terrie Robinson has left a remarkable legacy through her years of service at the Anglican Communion Office (ACO), latterly as Director for Women in Church and Society.

Initially joining to support the ACO's work in Unity, Faith and Order with ecumenical and intra-Anglican Dialogue, she then worked for many years facilitating the official Anglican Global Networks, helping these groups

of committed individuals to become effective networks, with governance and strategy.

Terrie also established the ACO Women's Desk, developing the Anglican Communion's work on gender justice. Her leadership of a theological reflection on gender justice led to the publishing of a key resource.

Terrie's self-effacing and servant-hearted approach to her various roles at the ACO led her always to point away from herself and out to others for their achievements.

Terrie retired in 2019. She is warmly remembered for her generosity, wisdom and deep insights into the dynamics of the Anglican Communion. There are many enduring relationships which she did so much to nurture and sustain along with a widening commitment to gender justice.

The Reverend Canon Malcolm Rogers – the Lambeth Cross for Ecumenism

For outstanding achievements as Chaplain of St Andrew's Church Moscow and the Archbishop of Canterbury's Apkrisiarios to the Patriarch of Moscow

Malcolm Rogers's interest in Russia began at school when, in an act of teenage rebellion, he decided to learn Russian. This has stood him in good stead for two periods of ministry in Russia in different, but difficult, times.

In 1993, in the aftermath of the fall of the Iron Curtain and the opening up of Russia and other parts of Eastern Europe, Malcolm, accompanied by Alison, travelled to St Petersburg as mission partners with the Church Mission Society. They lived and worked in the Orthodox Seminary there for two years, building up links with the Orthodox Church, as Christianity emerged from a period of suppression.

After a distinguished ministry as the incumbent of large parishes, first in London and then in Bury St Edmunds, Malcolm felt the call of the East once again and was appointed as Chaplain of St Andrew's Church Moscow and the Archbishop of Canterbury's Apkrisiarios to the Patriarch of Moscow. Within a few months the Archbishop of Canterbury made an

official visit to Moscow and Malcolm's quickly-acquired contacts made this visit run very smoothly. Only six months after this, however, in the aftermath of the Salisbury poisonings, relations between the United Kingdom and Russia became strained. The expulsion of diplomats was felt deeply in the British community in Moscow, and Malcolm supported and held that community during those difficult times. Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022 brought new and deeper pressures to that community and to international relations. Many people needed to leave Russia, but Malcolm remained steadfast.

In gentleness and diplomacy Malcolm kept open the channels of communication between Anglican and Russian Orthodox Churches, and in his life and ministry has borne outstanding witness to the love of Christ for his broken world.

The Reverend Courtney Dale Sampson, MA, ThM – the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation.

For his life-long passionate dedication to reconciliation, human rights, prophetic witness and interfaith relationships

Throughout his years as a priest in the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, the Reverend Courtney Dale Sampson has exhibited selfless, dependable, compassionate, and multifaceted ministry with intellectual rigour, which has demonstrated his life-long extraordinary commitment to community building and interfaith dialogue.

Courtney is a very compassionate spiritual leader who does not shy away from dirtying his hands, who epitomizes servant leadership, and who inspires others. Courtney has endeared himself to many in the church and ecumenical bodies in South Africa and abroad by his ability to provide exceptional leadership and by his uncompromising fight against religious intolerance and racial injustice.

Courtney's extensive work experience and exposure to other cultures have given him a broad base from which to operate. With his pastoral heart and gifts, Courtney has the ability to transcend inter-faith boundaries without being judgmental. As an astute theologian, Courtney, has an

impeccable track record in peacebuilding and conflict resolution. He is a man of integrity who has never shied away from difficult tasks.

As a former Provincial Executive Officer to the late Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Courtney worked with dedication and passion in the anti-apartheid struggle. Courtney has made a mark in promoting the role of the church in bringing liberation, prophetic witness, justice, human rights, racial integration, religious and political tolerance.

Through many changes in Church leadership, Courtney has made a difference to our Church, the private sector, and the political arena.

Stephanie Taylor – The Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For her outstanding contribution to the strength, continuity and functionality of the Anglican Communion.

Stephanie Taylor arrived at the Anglican Communion Office as an experienced chartered librarian with a background in the charity sector. She knew the value and importance of that great Anglican maxim: that all things should be done ‘decently and in order’.

Over eight years and in various roles, culminating in the newly formed position of Director of Administration and Logistics, Stephanie provided outstanding support to the administrative and governance functions of the Anglican Communion. She leaves a legacy of a vastly improved archive of Anglican Communion documents and resources. She supported all four Instruments of Communion with clarity and efficiency, that each was able to function to its best.

During her time she administered no fewer than seven Primates’ Meetings; two Anglican Consultative Councils; numerous ACC Standing Committees; and played a significant role in preparations for the 2022 Lambeth Conference. She organised and participated in working parties and commissions and helped the ACC in implementing a review of the functioning of its secretariat. In between she kept the wheels of the Anglican Communion Office oiled with efficiency, overseeing the administrative and human resources functions of the ACC.

Working in a way that was largely unseen to the public eye, Stephanie has served the Communion with distinction.

The Reverend Canon Huw Thomas, MBE – the Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

For outstanding and selfless service to Churches of the Anglican Communion.

Canon Huw Thomas joined USPG in his 50s, having served in both the Church in Wales and the Church of England (latterly as Canon Treasurer of Liverpool).

He went first to Addis Ababa, where his generous response to the plea by Sudanese refugees for support for establishing Anglican congregations in Gambella laid the foundations for tremendous church growth. Characteristic of his cultural sensitivity, he first obtained the blessing of the Ethiopian Orthodox Patriarch for this mission. The region now forms a vibrant Diocese within the Province of Alexandria.

In 1997 he was called to be Provost of All Saints Cathedral, Cairo, continuing ground-breaking work with Sudanese refugees and providing essential support to (and winning the affection of) the newly ordained Bishop.

When Edwardes College in Peshawar needed a Principal, he responded to the call, staying in post when others left after the 9/11 attacks and working for better East-West understanding.

Returning to the UK at 70, he continued service to his former Province, chairing first the Egypt Diocesan Association and then the Jerusalem and Middle East Church Association until an appeal was made for him to help resolve a complex situation in Algiers for ‘some months.’ He went with just a suitcase and, five years later, leaves local Algerian Anglicans nurtured through theological studies, and licensed as Lay Ministers. Throughout these years of service, Canon Huw’s ministry has demonstrated a commitment to serving others, standing selflessly in

solidarity in challenging circumstances and tirelessly promoting deeper understanding between peoples and cultures.

George Verwer – the Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness

For outstanding services to Christian ministry and evangelism

Born in New Jersey, USA, in 1938, George Verwer has spent his entire Christian life committed to the idea that everyone in the world needs to hear the gospel message at least once. Over the past 67 years, he has tirelessly shared Christ's love with all whom he encounters, and has equipped and empowered others to do likewise.

George was 17 when he gave his life to the Lord at a Billy Graham rally. Operation Mobilisation (OM) began when George loaded up a truck with Christian literature and drove to Mexico with two friends. From there, the work multiplied, spreading across continents—and the ocean with OM Ships—into what it is today, namely, an organisation of over 3,300 believers sharing the love of Christ through word and action in 120 countries. Not only did OM pioneer ministries in literature production and distribution under George's innovative leadership, but it also gave birth to multiple other movements, including Frontiers and Operation World. Through his exemplary leadership style, George intentionally disciplined and mentored others, building up leaders passionate about making Christ known, often in places which are hostile or difficult to reach.

In 2003 George stepped down as the director of OM, but he never slowed down. Known for his world-map jackets and handing out nearly one million free books—and writing 13 of his own—George remains personable and genuine in his interactions. His schedule remains packed as he leads OM's Special Projects ministry and travels globally to motivate and inspire people to play their part in missions.