

Rev'd Clare Baynes

It was announced on 4th September that the Reverend Clare Baynes has decided to step back from her very full role within the parish and move into a period of semi-retirement. The Bishop of St Albans has agreed to Clare's request for this change in working arrangements, and Becky, Pippa, Stephanie and the Churchwardens entirely support Clare's decision in this matter, though are of course sad that we won't be seeing quite so much of her as we're used to. Clare will continue as a Bishop's Officer and Co-ordinator of the Diocesan Support in your Ministry (SIM) Scheme.

Clare's last Sunday in her present role and capacity as an Self Supporting Minister in the parish will be 27th November (Advent Sunday), after which she will take three months completely off duty. Then from March 2017 Clare will once again resume some roles within the parish with the Bishop's Permission to Officiate in a semi-retirement capacity. So we are delighted that we will be still benefit from Clare's ministry amongst us. Please pray for Clare and Simon as they move into this new phase in their lives.