



Andrew's Sabbatical: Summer 2024

Dear members of St. John the Evangelist,

I hope you're well. I recently heard this September (2023) that Bishop Christopher has approved my regular sabbatical pattern - which happens every seven years. These are given to clergy for refreshment, study and new vision. The intention is to take the three months of June, July and August 2024, and have been told to add in time that I would ordinarily have as a summer holiday. So presently this may also include the last week of May and the first week of September. It makes sense to have the sabbatical in the summer period, as church life is usually a bit quieter.

Naturally I will need to make plans with PCC, Co Leaders and all church members to cover the leadership and ministry (in my absence) during this time: your help and support is very much appreciated! At this point I am only just beginning to plan details of the sabbatical, and will soon be thinking through a plan for the church. I shall let leaders and the church know more as decisions are made.

At this time I am really quite excited about ministry here at St. John the Evangelist, and look forward to using the sabbatical as a strategic help in developing what we do together here in the future.

Thank you for all your care and support.

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