

Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway

Bishop's Announcements – Appointments

The Rt Revd Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway, is pleased to announce the appointment of Rev Mark Goodman as Rector of St Columba's Largs.

His Institution will be on Easter Monday 18 April 2022 at 12noon in St Columba's Church, Largs when he will be welcomed into the Diocese during our Easter octave celebrations of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Mark says, "It is an enormous privilege to be appointed as the next Rector of St. Columba's, Largs. When arriving at a new Charge, one is always aware of the history of faith that has gone before and in particular the contributions of the saints and souls that have maintained that faith in a particular place. Having met with members of St. Columba's, I was struck by the warmth of welcome, the enthusiasm that lies at the heart of the work in the Church there and the desire to serve the town and neighbouring community.

I am looking forward to joining colleagues in the Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway and playing a full part in the life of the Diocese.

I hope that my previous experience in the Scottish Episcopal Church and more recently in school chaplaincy will be of benefit to others. Gwen and I are looking forward very much to the beginning of a new ministry with the community of St. Columba's in Largs."

Bishop Kevin says, "I am very pleased that Mark is coming to our Diocese to be the next Rector of Largs. This is subject to pre-appointment checks. Mark comes to us with a wealth of experience as a Rector in the SEC, where I first knew him, and as a school chaplain. His experience in leadership, in the SEC, will be a very valuable asset to the life of our diocese, along with his passions for spiritual growth and learning together. I look forward to working with Mark, as we move on and look ahead to a new chapter in the ministry of St Columba's Largs."

Please pray for Mark and his family as he prepares to move to Largs at the end of the Spring academic term.

For Release at the Service in St Columba's Largs: 1000hrs Sunday 7 November 2021

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