

The Queen has approved the nomination of The Reverend Canon Arun Arora, Vicar of St Nicholas Church, Durham, and Honorary Canon of Durham Cathedral, to the Suffragan See of Kirkstall, in the Diocese of Leeds, in succession to The Right Reverend Paul Slater following his retirement.

Arun studied Law and Politics at Birmingham University and worked as a solicitor after graduation. He was appointed Bishop's Press Officer and Diocesan Communications Officer in the Diocese of Birmingham in 2000, and began training for ordained ministry at Cranmer Hall, Durham in 2004. He served his title at St Mark's, Harrogate, in the former Diocese of Ripon and Leeds, alongside serving as the Director of Communications for the Office of the Archbishop of York. He was ordained Priest in 2008.

He was also previously Director of Communications for the National Church Institutions prior to taking up his current role as Vicar of St Nicholas Church, Durham, in 2017.

For more information, see the Diocese of Leeds website.

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