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Blessings to all the Vicars and Office Bearers of the Parishes and Congregations of the Diocese of UK-Europe and Africa in the name of the Blessed Holy Trinity,

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Attached herewith is the official list of Vicar transfers within the Diocese of UK-Europe and Africa, duly effective from 01 July 2025, unless otherwise noted. This list presents all Parishes and their respective Vicars in two columns - reflecting the assignments as on 30 June 2025 and as on 01 July 2025.

In the case of Parishes where Vicarial changes are taking place, I kindly urge each community to arrange for a dignified farewell and reception, along with the formal handing over of responsibilities, in accordance with the liturgical and pastoral feasibility of your respective schedules. Individual appointment and relieving letters to the respective Parishes and the Vicars concerned will be issued at the earliest opportunity.

I am mindful that several Parishes have already planned significant programmes and feasts in the coming months. However, I trust that the outgoing Vicars, the incoming Vicars, and the elected Office Bearers - guided by the Managing Committees - will work diligently and collaboratively to ensure continuity and a smooth pastoral transition.

I take this opportunity to profusely thank all our Vicars - especially those receiving transfers - for their dedicated pastoral and administrative service to the Diocese and to their respective congregations. A special word of deep appreciation is due to Very Rev. Abraham George Corepiscopos, the senior-most priest of our Diocese, whose unwavering commitment and spiritual leadership have been a source of blessing and inspiration to clergy and laity alike.

Please note that three Parishes, indicated with an asterisk (*), will have their transfers come into effect from 01 September 2025, due to specific contextual considerations.

I also wish to extend a heartfelt exhortation to all Office Bearers of the spiritual organisations, and to all lay leaders across our Diocese, to actively safeguard the peace and wellbeing of our Parish communities during this time of transition. Let your service reflect the deep responsibility we all share in handing over the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Faith to the next generation, in truth and love.

Let me gently remind each of you to remain grounded in prayer and open in fellowship. May we take inspiration from the words of our Lord:

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid." (St. Matthew 5:14)

May each of our Parishes continue to shine in faith, unity, and witness, illuminating the lives of the faithful and the wider society with the enduring light of Christ.

With prayerful regards,

Yours in Christ,

+ Metropolitan Abraham Stephanos

No.	Parish	Present Vicar as on June 2025	Proposed Vicar w.e.f. 01 July 2025
1	Aberdeen, St. Thomas	Fr. Varghese P.A.	Fr. Varghese P.A.
2	Bedford, St. Nicolas	Fr. Aby Philip Varghese	Fr. Aby Philip Varghese
3	Belfast, St. Gregorios	Fr. Jobson Abraham	Fr. Jobson Abraham
4	Bielefield, St. Gregorios (Ger.)	Fr. Jibin Thomas Abraham	Fr. Jibin Thomas Abraham
5	Birmingham, St. Stephen's	Fr. Mathew Abraham Palathinkal	Fr. Binoy C. Joshua
6	Bonn-Cologne, St. Gregorios (Ger.)	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Jibin Thomas Abraham
7	Boston, St. Antony's	Fr. Mathews Kuriakose	Fr. Mathews Kuriakose
8	Bristol, St. Mary's*	Fr. John Varghese Mannamcheril	Fr. Geevarghese J. Tharakan
9	Cambridge, St. Thomas	Fr. Mathews Kuriakose	Fr. Tom Jacob
10	Canterbury, St. Gregorios	Fr. Jeelson P. Wilson	Fr. Joseph Mathew Elavunkal
11	Carlisle, St. Mary Magdalene		Fr. Saji C. John
12	Chelmsford, St. Lukes	Fr. Josen John	Fr. Josen John
13	City of London, St. George	Fr. P.J. Binu	Fr. P.J. Binu
14	Colchester, St. Stephen's	Fr. Jeelson P. Wilson	Fr. Sajan C. Mathew
15	Cork, Holy Trinity	Fr. Mathew K. Mathaw	Fr. Anish John
16	Coventry, St. Mary's	Fr. Tom Jacob	Fr. Josen John
17	Crawley, Holy Trinity	Fr. Mobin Varghese	Fr. Alen Varghese
18	Drogheda, St. Peter's & St. Paul's	Fr. T. George	Fr. T. George
19	Dublin Lucan, St. Mary's	Fr. Saju Philip	Fr. Saju Philip
20	Dublin, St. Thomas	Fr. Stanly David James	Fr. Stanly David James
21	East Kent, St. Peter's and St. Paul's	Fr. Joseph Mathew Elavunkal	Fr. Mobin Varghese
22	Edinburgh, St. John The Apostle	Fr. Saji C. John	Fr. Binil Raj
23	Galway, St. Elijah	Fr. Calvin Poovathore	Fr. Calvin Poovathore
24	Germany, St. Thomas	Fr. Rohith Skariah Georgy	Fr. Rohith Skariah Georgy Asst. Fr. Jibin Thomas Abraham Asst. Fr. Aswin Eappen Varghese
25	Glasgow, St. Gregorios	Fr. Saji C. John	Fr. Varghese P.A.
26	Harlow, St. Marks	Fr. Sajan C. Mathew	Fr. Aby Philip Varghese
27	Hemel Hempstead, St. Thomas	Fr. Anoop M. Abraham	Fr. Mathews Kuriakose Asst. Fr. Mobin Varghese
28	Hereford, St. Behanan's	Fr. Mathew Abraham Palathinkal	Fr. Ranju K. Skaria
29	Ipswich, St. George	Fr. Liju Varghese	Fr. Liju Varghese
30	Julianstown (Meath, Ireland), St. George	Fr. Eldhose Babu	Fr. Eldhose Babu
31	Kerry, St. Matthews		Fr. Calvin Poovathore
32	Kings Lynn, St. Mary's	Fr. Liju Varghese	Fr. Liju Varghese
33	Leeds, St. Gregorios	Fr. Shaiju K. Mathai	Fr. Shaiju K. Mathai
34	Leicester, St. George	Fr. Josen John	Fr. Josen John
35	Limerick St. George	Fr. Ninan P. Kuriakose	Fr. Thomas Mathew
36	Lincoln, St. Andrews		Fr. Ricku Zachariah
37	Liverpool, St. Thomas	Fr. Happy Jacob	Fr. Jeelson P. Wilson
38	London (Brockley), St. Gregorios	Fr. Nithin Prasad Koshy	Fr. Nithin Prasad Koshy
39	Lueven (Belgium), St. James	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal



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40	Ludwigshafen, St. Gregorios (Ger.)	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal
41	Luxemburg, St. Joseph's	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Jibin Thomas Abraham
42	Malta, St. Peter's & St. Paul's	Fr. Sony Issac Thomas	Fr. Sony Issac Thomas
43	Manchester, St. George	Fr. Eldo P. Varghese	Fr. Binu Thomas
44	Mansfield, St. Mary's	Fr. Binoy C. Joshua	Fr. Robin Varghese
45	Mullingar, St. Stephen's	Fr. Ninan P. Kuriakose	Fr. Ninan P. Kuriakose
46	Newcastle, St. Thomas	Fr. Tiji Thankachan	Fr. Saji C. John
47	Nigeria Lagos, St. Stephen's	Fr. Jebin John Joseph	Fr. Jebin John Joseph
48	North Wales St. Behanan's	Fr. Tom Jacob	Fr. Eldo P. Varghese
49	North Yorkshire, St. Luke's	Fr. Tijo Varghese	Fr. Tijo Varghese
50	Northampton, St. Dionysius	Fr. Mathews Kuriakose	Fr. Varghese Mathew
51	Northwest London, St. Mary's	Fr. Shaiju P. Mathai	Fr. Shaiju P. Mathai
52	Norwich, St. Kuriakose	Fr. Liju Varghese	Fr. Liju Varghese
53	Oxford, St. Mary's*	Fr. Geevarghese J. Tharakan	Fr. John Varghese Mannamcheril
54	Paris (France), St. Mary's	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal
55	Peterborough, St. Gregorios	Fr. Ricku Zachariah	Fr. Ricku Zachariah
56	Plymouth, St. Elijah	Fr. Geevarghese J. Tharakan	Fr. Ranju K. Skaria
57	Poole, St. Thomas	Fr. Joe Mathew	Fr. Joe Mathew
58	Portsmouth, St. George	Fr. Joe Mathew	Fr. Anoop M. Abraham
59	Preston St. George	Fr. Anub John K.	Fr. Anub John K.
60	Rotterdam, St. Philip and St. Bartholomew	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal	Fr. Aashu Alexander Mattackal
61	Sheffield, St. George	Fr. Binoy C. Joshua	Fr. Geevarghese J. Kochupurackal
62	South Africa, St. Thomas	Fr. Jobin Mammen Chriyan	Fr. Jobin Mammen Chriyan
63	South Wales, Holy Innocents	Fr. Varghese T. Mathew	Fr. Mathew Abraham Palathinkal
64	Southampton, Mar Baselios Mar Gregorios	Fr. Aby Philip Varghese	Fr. Anoop M. Abraham Asst. Fr. Joe Mathew
65	Southend-on-Sea, St. Gregorios	Fr. Mobin Varghese	Fr. Sajan C. Mathew
66	Stockport Manchester, St Mary's	Fr. Binu Thomas	Fr. Eldo P. Varghese
67	Stoke-on-Trent, St. John the Baptist	Fr. Tom Jacob	Fr. Happy Jacob
68	Sunderland, St. Mary's	Fr. Varghese P.A.	Fr. Tiji Thankachan
69	Swindon, St. Gregorios	Fr. Aby Philip Varghese	Fr. Varghese Mathew
70	Switzerland, St. Gregorios	Fr. Aswin Eappen Varghese	Fr. Aswin Eappen Varghese
71	Taunton, St. Thomas*	Fr. Geevarghese J. Tharakan	Fr. John Varghese Mannamcheril
72	Tbilissi (Georgia), St. Elijah	Fr. George Mathew	Fr. George Mathew
73	Tipperary, St. Kuriakose	Fr. Ninan P. Kuriakose	Fr. Ninan P. Kuriakose Asst. Fr. Jithu Varghese
74	Vienna (Austria), St. Thomas	Fr. Solomon Babu	Fr. Solomon Babu
75	Warsaw (Poland), St. Mary's		Fr. Abraham John
76	Waterford, St. Gregorios	Fr. Anu George	Fr. Anu George
77	Woking, St. Stephen's	Fr. Jins K. John	Fr. Jins K. John

* Transfers will be with effect from
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