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Peter McGeary led midday communion and with Pat provided a great lunch. –Thank you.

Clergy News:

- **Stuart Lee** to be licensed to St Barnabas BG S16 Feb and with Brian to be anchor priests at St James the Less during the vacancy – access issues being addressed.
- **Johnny Douglas** has resigned as of 8 Jan. Accommodation till end of February.
- **SPOF Vacancy** Being readvertised.
- **Cris and Beki Rogers** Suffered a recent break-in and significant personal loss
- **David Rushton** now on leave till he ends at the Royal London end of January*

The Royal London Hospital Chaplaincy Peter Mc, Tom, Michael, Kevin, James & Pat offered to be part of an on-call rota depending on the AD's discussion with the Bishop about best cover options, bearing in mind the need for good cover alongside the need for a substantive appointment. **AR**

The recent CofE Heads and Clergy network coffee Michael and Kevin had hosted this on Th16 January and it had been well received, there is renewed energy for the annual leavers service, to be coordinated by Glenda. It was felt this meeting should be annual.

The Deanery Strategy discussions and the vacancies Some discussion took place about the appointment process and our hope that the St Ann's appointment would be someone who is not an isolationist. The AD explained the Profile, the Bishops Statement and his own, which states that we are not looking for Prima Dona's; he invited the cluster to send him a short 30-word quote which he would seek to use in his fuller statement. **JH**

It was also agreed that as vacancies arise we should seek to take time as a chapter to discuss them and any special significance they pose.

The AD also pointed out that he intends to use the standing committee to lead the work on strategy for the deanery. And that this years Deanery Synod appointments are very key; 'we do not want PCC alternans but people with vision. The AD will supply a few words to this effect for Parish use. **AR**

Around the deanery at the start of a new year

Attendees shared some hopes, thanks and prayers for the New Year, which included:

- For renewed lay involvement, confidence, treasurers and home grown lay leadership
- For fruitful APCM's and the 'best appointments'
- A new covenant on Canary Wharf between the Abrahamic Faiths
- Alan Green & Fiona Stewart-Darling going on Study Leave this summer
- A new head at Raines and Alison at LBTH working on heritage buildings

Next Dates:

Standing Committee: Sn2 Feb

Synod: W12 Feb 7.30pm Christ Church Spitalfields '3-deanery Strategy'

Chapter: W12 March St Matthew Bethnal Green

