

A CLARRIDGE FAREWELL



The Revd. Ann Clarridge and Roy Clarridge

Roy and Ann who met in the back row of the chorus line of Holy Cross Operatic and Dramatic Society, have been fully committed Holy Crossers for many years and until Ann was ordained, attended Holy Cross services and events.

Roy was a member of the Holy Cross Boys' Brigade Company and later became the Captain of the Company. He took up the mantle of Churchyard gardener from Albert Butterfield and toiled for 21 years passing the mantle to Malcolm Ede!

Ann, a brownie and guide in the Holy Cross pack has fulfilled most roles within the church and was a Betham School Governor and Trustee. Together with Colin Neville and others she campaigned throughout Ealing for the first Borough Church of England High School (Twyford).

Ann has been working in parishes in the Kensington Episcopal Area but has decided to accept appointment as an assistant priest in Northwood on a House-for-Duty basis. This means that they will live in a clergy house free of charges in exchange for an agreed amount of work in the parish assisting the incumbent. It is an attractive proposal for many clergy at the present time, and a growing type of ministerial role.

They have already moved to their new accommodation but have accepted an invitation to make a farewell (but not necessarily final farewell, hopefully!) appearance at Holy Cross Church. To mark their contribution to Holy Cross over many years, Ann and Roy will come to the Parish mass on Sunday 4th September. Ann will preside and preach at 8am and then preach at 9.30am. Please will you inform any family and friends who you think may be interested in coming to share in this special occasion?

At Parish Breakfast, afterwards, we will take the opportunity to wish them well and propose a toast to their new life in Northwood. All are welcome to join in and share the happiness.

