

Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with a heart full of gratitude and emotion that I share the news of my retirement from active ministry, due to health reasons. After twenty-one blessed years of service, the Archbishop and his council have made this decision, and though it is never easy to say goodbye, I am deeply thankful for the time I've shared with all of you.

The Church of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Holloway, will always hold a special place in my heart. From the moment I arrived, you welcomed me with open arms and hearts full of love. This community embraced me as family, and for that, I am forever grateful. The past twenty-one years have been among the most rewarding of my life, and I have been inspired by your faith, generosity, and unwavering commitment to God.

As I reflect, I ask for your forgiveness if I ever fell short or caused any hurt. Please know it was never my intention, and I humbly ask for your prayers as I continue to grow in my vocation.

Change is never easy, but I trust in God's plan and the wisdom of our Archbishop. I will carry the memories and lessons from this community with me always, and I will continue to pray for all of you, trusting that God's guidance will lead you forward. Please keep me in your prayers as I begin this new chapter.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for the love and support you have shown me. You have been more than parishioners to me; you have been my family. I will miss you all dearly.

With love and gratitude,

Yours in Christ

Fr. Gideon