

# Our new clergy introduce themselves to the Suburb

REVD EM KOLLTVEIT

**H**ello, I'm Reverend Em Kolltveit and I am the new priest in charge at St Jude on the Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb. I grew up in Cornwall, but I've lived and worked in London for all my adult life.

Before training for professional ministry, I performed in the No.1 selling classical act Mediaeval Baebes, picking up an Ivor Novello Award and an Emmy on the way. We were blessed with several classical Number Ones and toured all over the world. I was also the lead singer of the internationally recognised Heavy Metal band 'Pythia' and once pronounced 'Miss December' in Metal Hammer Magazine's annual calendar. I still sing professionally but my focus is now on my work as a Priest. As Alice Cooper said, "It's easy to be a rock star and trash your hotel room but to become a Christian, that's true rebellion!"

In 2014, my husband and I took on a failing pub in Colindale, turning it into an award-winning



community enterprise and winning 'Community Pub of the Year' twice in the great British Pub Awards.

For the last three years, I've been the Curate of St Mary's, Primrose Hill and part of the team at St Paul's Cathedral. I have a deep interest in building community,

spiritual development, and high-quality worship. I feel profoundly blessed to have been called to serve the wonderful people of the parish of St Jude's and look forward to getting to know you all.

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REVD ALED JONES

**M**y family and I are moving from the Teifi Valley in West Wales, where I have spent the last 13 years as minister to three rural Congregationalist churches in Carmarthenshire and Ceredigion. During that time I was also proud to be National Training Coordinator of the College of Welsh Independents.

I am no stranger to London, having obtained my undergraduate degree in Linguistics from University College London, as well as an MA in African Christianity from SOAS.

Following my first pastorate, my wife, Pauline, and I spent many years living, ministering and teaching firstly in Toronto, Canada and then in the Cape Town area, South Africa.

Our four children are currently studying at universities and colleges and are looking forward to getting to know London better. Pauline and I are keen to get to know the Suburb and many new friendships in the area.

Everyone is warmly invited to my induction service at the Free Church, Central Square, NW11 7AG on 2 September at 2pm. The service will be followed by a buffet.



Photo: Shelley-Anne Salisbury

## Barbara Kulick's sculpture of the King

SHELLEY-ANNE SALISBURY

**I**t isn't often that you enter someone's living room and come face to face with King Charles III. Well, alright, not the actual King Charles himself, but a life-size bronze bust of the then Prince of Wales, sculpted by Suburb resident Barbara Kulick, a renowned and prolific artist and sculptor.

Barbara was born in Hackney and brought up in Finchley but has lived in the Suburb for almost 60 years. Her home is filled to the brim with her work; there is so much to look at that you don't immediately notice Charles. The likeness is uncanny. Barbara remembers the drive up to Frogmore House in 1981, soon after Charles had married Diana. She recalls the then Prince of Wales as being extremely friendly, chatty and forthcoming (he made no secret of his feelings about his new wife).

It took three visits in total to 'capture' Charles. Once completed, the bust was unveiled in 1984 by the Rt. Hon. James Callaghan MP in Wales where it remained until it was returned to Barbara's home where the now King Charles III resides in her lovely drawing room, along with her other works of art.

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