



*EMBARGOED UNTIL SUNDAY 23 AUGUST*

*ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS OF THE  
CONGREGATIONS IN  
YARDLEY HASTINGS, DENTON & GRENDON w CASTLE ASHBY & WHISTON*

## **APPOINTMENT OF RECTOR**

I am delighted to announce that following interview and with the agreement of the Bishop of Peterborough, the Marquess of Northampton, and the unanimous support of the parish representatives, the Revd Morna Simpson, currently Assistant Curate in the Holy Spirit Parish, Leicester, has been appointed Rector of Yardley Hastings, Denton & Grendon w Castle Ashby & Whiston.

This announcement is subject to the DBS check.

Bishop Donald and I are very grateful to all who helped with the preparation of the profile, and for the continuing and encouraging ministry of the Benefice in the service of Christ during the Rector vacancy. Please hold Morna in your prayers as she prepares to finish her ministry in Leicester and move to the Benefice with her partner Becky. Please welcome them warmly to this new chapter of ministry as the church begins to emerge from lockdown.

Jesus said, "Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**The Venerable Richard Ormston**

**Archdeacon of Northampton**