

The Rt Revd Nicholas Holtam, Bishop of Salisbury

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Born 8th August 1954, Launton, near Bicester, Oxfordshire.

Baptised 31st October 1954 St Mary the Virgin, Launton.

Confirmed 4th May 1967 St Andrew's, Enfield, Middlesex.

Ordained Deacon

30th September 1979 St Paul's Cathedral by the Bishop of London.

Ordained Priest

28th September 1980 St Mary's Islington by the Bishop of Stepney.

Married 24th July 1981 to Helen Harris at Ratcliffe Preparatory Meeting (Society of Friends), Toynbee Hall, London, E.1. They have four children and an increasing number of grandchildren.

Ordained and consecrated Bishop

22nd July 2011 St Paul's Cathedral by the Archbishop of Canterbury with the Bishop of London, Bishop of Leicester and others.

Education and Awards

1965-72 Latymer Grammar School, Edmonton, London, N9.

1972-5 Collingwood College, Durham University, B.A., Geography.

1976-8 King's College, London University, B.D., A.K.C.

1978-9 Westcott House, Cambridge, Examinations of the Cambridge Federation of Theological Colleges.

1989 M.A., Theology, Durham University.

2005 Fellow of King's College London.

2005 Hon DCL, Durham University.

2013 Hon Fellow of the Guild of Church Musicians.

Offices

2011- Bishop of Salisbury

In addition:

2008-16 Trustee of the National Churches Trust.

2012 Vice-President Royal School of Church Music.

2013- Chair of the Committee for Ministry of and among Deaf and Disabled People.

2014- Chair of the C of E's Environmental Working Group and lead bishop for Environmental Affairs.

2015 Chair of the Judges for The ACE Award for Art in a Religious Context.

2015- Lord Spiritual

1995 –2011 Vicar of St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London

In addition:

1995-2012 Chaplain to The Victorian Cross and George Cross Association

1997-2012 Chaplain to The Farmers Club, 3 Whitehall Court, SW1

2000- 2005 Lay member of Ethics Committee, Foundation for Psychotherapy and Counselling

2003 -2013 Director of The Grubb Institute of Behavioural Studies.
2003 -2007 Trustee and member of the Executive Committee of Inclusive Church.
2006 -2007 Member of the selection committee for a window for Durham cathedral to mark the centenary of the birth of Michael Ramsey.
2007-2011 Member of Bishop's Council, Diocese of London
2008-2011 Member of London Diocesan Synod

1988-95 Vicar of Christ and St John's with St Luke's, Isle of Dogs, London

In addition:

1988-95 Member of Stepney Area Synod.
1988-93 Helped to organize an annual Urban Studies Pastoral Studies Unit with the Urban Learning Foundation for Lincoln Theological College.
1990-91 Chair of Tower Hamlets Deanery Committee for Social Responsibility.
1991- 95 External Examiner in Ethics for The Cambridge Federation of Theological Colleges.
1992- 2001 A.B.M./Ministerial Division Education Selector of candidates for ordination training.
1993-95 Co-opted member of Deanery Synod Standing Committee.
1993-95 Stepney Area Bishop's Council.

1983-87 Tutor, Lincoln Theological College

Tutor for Ethics, Missiology and Course Director of the Lincoln Certificate in Ministry and Mission for Theology graduates.

In addition:

1983-1987 Chaplain to St Michael's, the College's parish church within the Minster Group.
1984-1987 Taught Ethics on the East Midlands Ministerial Training Course.
1983-1986 Editorial Panel of Christian.
1986-1987 Lincoln Diocesan Synod.
1985-1987 Management Committee of Edward King House.

1979-83 Assistant Curate, St Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, London

Publications

The Art of Worship: Paintings, Prayers and Readings for Meditation, National Gallery London and Yale University Press, July 2011

A Room with a View: Ministry with the world at your door, SPCK May 2008, 160pp

Articles in a variety of popular and more academic publications particularly about the environment, Christian ethics, mission and ministry and the place and purpose of parish churches.

Recreation

Family, theatre, museums, walking, cycling, reading and writing. Since moving to Salisbury the bishop has kept bees and a few chickens.