



# Episcopal Diocese of Washington

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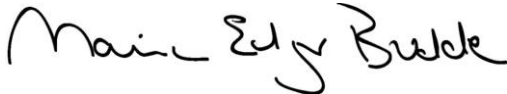
St. Alban's Parish  
3001 Wisconsin Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20016

Dear Friends of St. Alban's,

I give thanks to God that the Rev. Geoffrey Hoare has accepted your invitation to serve as St. Alban's priest-in-charge. Geoffrey has come to the Diocese of Washington after a long and fruitful ministry at All Saints' Church in Atlanta. He is an exemplary Christian leader, a strong preacher and teacher, with years of experience leading large congregations.

This has been a challenging year in the life of the congregation you love, but I have deep confidence in the Holy Spirit's presence and power among you, in your clergy and vestry leadership, and in your spiritual maturity and resilience. I pledge to you my unfailing support and that of your entire diocesan staff.

Faithfully in Christ,



The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, D.Min.  
Bishop of Washington