

Fr. Jeremy Bath

Fr. Bath has kindly written a few words about his time in Kilsyth.



I have happy memories of being a curate in Kilsyth from 1993-1996. Fr Hand and I were known as the 'Towel Priests' he the hand towel and I the bath towel. We worked well together and with Sister Angela, who I hear has just died.

I enjoyed going up into the Kilsyth hills and the surrounding countryside. Mary Currie,

I think, was the housekeeper together with her daughter. We were always well fed and watered. We used to have a good Altar boys football team and relished the chance of beating Holy Cross Croy, the local 'Derby', Edinburgh Archdiocese v Glasgow Archdiocese.

I enjoyed doing sick calls on my bike, wearing my yellow anorak. One house I went to the lady opened the door and said, "It's alright son, I've had my gas meter read!"

Fr Hand kindly got me a motor car and while he was on holiday, I managed to write it off on the M73 motorway. When he returned I said, "Did you want the good news or the bad news?" - the good news being, he still had a curate.

I learned in Kilsyth that everyone likes steak pie, steak pie at funerals, weddings, 1st communions, anniversaries - even on Christmas Day!

It's a good parish and one that any priest would be proud to serve. God bless you all!

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Fr Bath on his first day in St Patrick's Kilsyth - straight to work in the Parish Hall kitchen preparing for a function!

Jeremy Bath - Canon of St Mary's Cathedral

On the 14th December 2021 six priests were inducted into the Cathedral Chapter of St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral in Edinburgh. They were

- The Very Rev Brian Canon Gowans
- The Very Rev Kenneth Canon Owens
- The Very Rev James G Canon Tracey
- The Very Rev Jock Canon Dalrymple
- The Right Rev Mgr Patrick J Canon Burke
- The Very Rev Jeremy C Canon Bath

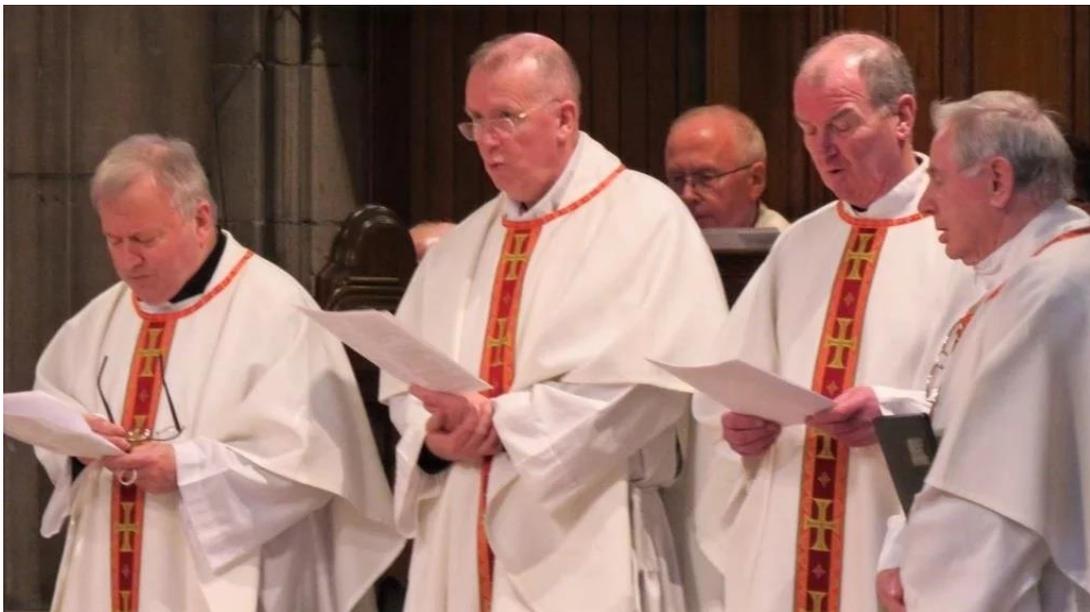
The Canons of the Cathedral Chapter are among the most senior parish priests within the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. Given their years of experience, the canons are expected to act in an advisory capacity to the Archbishop. As a mark of respect they are each assigned their own stall in the Cathedral.

In his homily, Archbishop Cushley explained the background and role of a canon, and said: "I would like to congratulate them all warmly on reaching this milestone, and we wish them continued health, consolation, and blessing in their service of the Lord."



From l-to-r: The Very Rev. Brian Canon Gowans, The Very Rev. Kenneth Canon Owens, The Very Rev. James Canon Tracey, His Grace Archbishop Leo Cushley, The Very Rev. Jock Canon Dalrymple, The Right Rev. Monsignor Patrick Canon Burke, The Very Rev. Jeremy Canon Bath.

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