



The Diocese of
Southwark

signs of hope

real stories of growth for every church



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Across the Diocese we are seeing parishes flourish through countless mission initiatives - such as re-missioning and revitalising congregations, planting fresh expressions, grafting new life onto existing roots, and pioneering entirely new ways of being Church.

This year our theme is Signs of Hope, as we see stories of growth and innovation in very different contexts and traditions across the Diocese. We want to share some of these stories of hope with you - and help you reflect on what might help your church thrive as you seek to follow Christ.

"As we have sought to be an innovative and creative Diocese,

I have seen the real fruit in so many of the initiatives that are being shared at this conference. I would urge you to come with a team from your parish to hear and learn and see what small changes you might make to see a big difference in your parish."

Bishop Christopher Chessun

"One of the most exciting developments in Southwark in recent years has been our Hub Church models.

These churches have developed innovative approaches that can be shared with other parishes to help them grow and thrive. We look forward to showcasing a variety of these initiatives through seminars and the marketplace at the conference."

Canon Will Cookson, Director of Mission

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