

## Installation of the Wardens

14 March, 2016

On Sunday 13 March, following the morning worship and the Annual General Meeting, our newly re-elected Wardens, Dr Amanda Haste and Mrs Helen Brooking were formally installed by our Chaplain. Both Helen and Amanda have been very busy over this past year with the administration of the congregations at both Marseille and Aix – not the least has been the interviewing and helping to settle a new chaplain.

Helen readily admits that she prefers the hands-on messiness of church ministry. She has been very active in keeping the church neat and tidy and in organizing the Advent Christmas Sale and the Spring Jumble Sale. Helen is always ready to read scripture in the worship services, assist with the chalice, and lead the prayers of

intercession. One of the main duties of the Wardens is to account for and maintain the condition of the fabric of the church (furniture and significant historical items) and Helen is very involved with the practical church cleanliness of items and in cautioning Fr David in his desire to be a new broom which sweeps clean and tosses out. Helen has been a steady voice of reason and restraint.

Amanda has been more involved with the administration with Roxana (Parish Administrator), the finance reports with Michael (Treasurer), the music with Roxana and Aidan, and in chairing the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meetings and the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Both have been ready counsel to Fr David as he has settled in to his ministry and life in France's Second City, Marseille, and the historical university city of Aix. We welcome them again into the continuance of their congregational duties.



*Amanda Haste (centre) and Helen Brooking (right) are installed as Wardens of All Saints' and Aix-en-Provence by the congregation and Fr David following their re-election at the Annual General Meeting 13 March 2016.*