

Rev'd David McLennan

Born and raised in Toowoomba and Brisbane, David moved to Canberra on a government graduate program. His 10 years of government work were spent mostly within the defence intelligence community. David has also served in the Army, seeing active service as an infantry soldier on the East Timor border in 2000.

David commenced theological studies in Sydney before returning to Canberra where he has served 2014, most recently as Rector of St John the Baptist Anglican Church (Parish of Canberra). He is married to Cath, a teacher. They have four children in high school.



Ministry History

Rector, St John the Baptist Anglican Church, Canberra (2022-...)

Rector, St Mary in the Valley, Parish of South Tuggeranong and St Edmund's, Tharwa (2016-2022)

Curate and Assistant Priest, St John the Baptist Anglican Church, Canberra (2013-2016)

2010-2013: Catechist, St John the Baptist Anglican Church, Ashfield (2013) and St Anne's Anglican Church, Strathfield (2010-2012)

Other Employment History

Various roles (including Senior Analyst, Team Leader, Chief of Staff, and Project Officer) within Australian Intelligence Community (2002-2009)

Advisor, Minister of Defence, the Hon Dr Brendan Nelson (July 2007)

Policy Officer, Department of Defence (Feb 99 – Jul 02)

Infantry Soldier, Royal Australian Regiment (Nov 99 – Jan 01)

Other responsibilities

- Canberra-Goulburn Anglican Church Property Trust (Trustee)
- Eighteenth Session of General Synod of Anglican Church of Australia (Clerical Member)
- Emmaus Christian School (Board Member)