

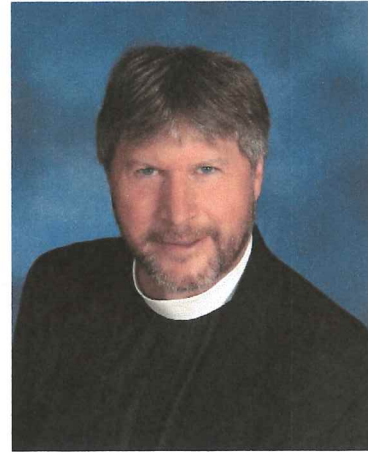


**The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East
Diocese of Jerusalem
The Most Revd Suheil Salman Dawani**

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I am pleased to announce the appointment of The Reverend Dr. Donald Binder as my Chaplain.

Father Donald was ordained to the priesthood nearly thirty years ago, Dr. Binder currently serves as Rector of Historic Pohick Church near Mt. Vernon, Virginia, a position he has held for seventeen years. He graduated with an MDiv from Virginia Theological Seminary in 1989 and went on to receive his PhD in New Testament studies from Southern Methodist University in 1997. He is also an alumnus of St. George's College (1988) and served as a scholar-in-residence at Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem in 2013. Dr. Binder has been part of the University of South Florida excavations at Sepphoris in Galilee, and has published numerous books and articles on the topic of ancient synagogues. He and his wife Chris, who will be joining him in Jerusalem, are currently in their 34th year of marriage. They have three adult children, a daughter-in-law, and a granddaughter.



Asked to reflect on his forthcoming ministry and role here as Chaplain to the Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem, Father Donald reflected:
"Having enjoyed a thirty-year relationship with St. George's and the Diocese of Jerusalem, I am thrilled at this opportunity to serve the Archbishop as his Chaplain over these next three years. My wife and I look forward to becoming part of the St. George's community and to helping the Archbishop advance his ministry of reconciliation, faithfulness to the Gospel, and the welcoming of pilgrims to the land where our Lord Jesus Christ himself once served and offered his life for the redemption of the world."

Our expectation is that Father Donald will begin his ministry in Jerusalem in mid-October later this Fall. Please keep Father Donald, his wife Christine and their family in your prayers.

Peace and Grace,

+ Suheil Dawani

Most Revd Suheil S. Dawani
Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem
Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem