



**Michael Rusk, Geneva  
Council of Advice, Clergy**

Michael Rusk is the Rector of Emmanuel Geneva. Appointed in April 2017, Michael has become involved in the life of the Convocation, serving on the European Institute of Christian Studies and on the Bishop's Transition Committee.

Prior to becoming Rector of Emmanuel, Michael's ministry was in the Church of England where from 1999 - 2017, he was Team Rector of Oadby in the Diocese of Leicester. A Canon of Leicester Cathedral, Michael was also an Area Dean, a member of the Diocese's Board of Finance (where he helped to oversee the Cathedral financing of the burial of King

Richard III) and a member of the Bishop's Council.

During his time in Leicester Michael was extensively involved in interfaith work, co-authoring *Engaging Islam from a Christian Perspective*, published in 2015. Prior to that, he played a major diocesan role in Anglican lay formation teaching New Testament and Doctrine on the Diocesan Lay Training Course.

Through his work on interfaith and theological education, Michael has developed close links with General Theological Seminary, Virginia Theological Seminary and the Church Divinity School of the Pacific.

Michael's theological studies took place at Westcott House, Jesus College, Cambridge and the University of Durham. From 1990 - 1999 he was Priest-In-Charge of St John's Nevilles Cross, Durham, a church on the outskirts of Durham. During his time at St. John's it became the fastest growing church in the north east of England, noted for its diverse vibrant worship, excellent preaching, and warm fellowship.

Michael seeks to bring to the Council of Advice a rich experience of effective diocesan management combined with visionary thinking on what the future may hold for the Convocation's parishes and missions.

Michael has found that being part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe is stimulating, energising and life-giving.

