

IN CONVERSATION WITH THE CHAPLAINCY

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EDITORIAL

Happy New year to you from the chaplaincy team. Many of us like new beginnings especially the start of a new year. Perhaps we are relieved to leave 2022 behind us and to look ahead to 2023 with renewed hope, expectations, and plans. I wonder if you have heard of the designer Harry Beck. Ninety years ago this month, his iconic Underground map was published. We may not perhaps have our lives as elaborately planned as the Underground map, but we like to have things to look forward too.

If you are a sports fan then there is much to look forward to, the Australian Tennis Open, the Cricket World Cup in India, the Rugby World Cup in France, the women's' soccer World Cup in Australia, and the Invictus Games in Germany to name but a few. Perhaps we are planning our holidays and hoping that airfares might get cheaper.

Or maybe we are beginning to gear up for the Coronation of King Charles III - at least Westminster Abbey will be getting ready, as well as all the designers of the coronation souvenirs that will appear very soon in the shops.

The Chinese New Year begins this month with the Year of the Rabbit, it is known as the luckiest of the twelve animals. It symbolizes mercy, elegance, and beauty. People who are born in the Year of the Rabbit are calm and peaceful. They avoid fighting and arguing at all times but are artistic and have good taste in life. A timely reminder that even if we have no other expectations or hopes for 2023, let us pray for and hope for peace, not just in Ukraine but in other parts of the world where there is violence and injustice.

And of course, all through 2023 the chaplaincy remains an ever-present presence on the Wharf. In this edition we continue with our series of articles about how individuals and companies value the chaplaincy. If you would like to tell us why you value, the chaplaincy why not drop us an [email](#)?

INTERVIEW WITH DAN MONEY BY WAYNE OREILLY

Dan money has been with State Street for fifteen years and currently heads up the EMEA programme for operational resiliency. Operational resiliency is currently one of the hot industry topics, with UK regulators heavily focused on it. Dan helps influence the programme to meet the local needs of the UK and Ireland.

How do you feel the Canary Wharf Chaplaincy supports your business?

"The thing I really value about the chaplaincy is the independent pastoral care element that we get. There are a couple of things I would like to highlight. People often see chaplaincy and immediately think faith and normally Christianity, but what I see the chaplaincy team offering is a much more pastoral care element and one that is a truly independent. I also think that the multi-faith part of the team is important as well and I think from both an individual perspective in terms of their faith and bringing their faith into the workplace and how it works, but also in the understanding of other faiths and how other people would approach things important to them from a faith perspective. I think another thing people might not realise about the chaplaincy is your experience in dealing with those issues that people may have, be that faith, personal, home life or work situation, and actually your ability to point people to the right resources to be able to help them, and you have that experience to do that. I also value some of the regular activities you put on such as the services and the work and faith forums which help us look at those aspects of our identity we bring to work and how we apply them."

What challenges do you think the chaplaincy faces since the Pandemic?

"In terms of the challenges you are currently facing, I think they are mostly around the way we work in the Wharf and the nature of our business. For a lot of people, hybrid working has changed things. People are not in the office so much, but also when people are in the office their days are packed and I think it therefore limits the opportunity to meet with a chaplain face to face or attend particular services or forums. I also think another challenge the chaplaincy is facing is the rise in numbers of different companies working in the wharf on any given day. Alongside this is the rise in retail and residents on the estate. I think the Chaplaincy will have to look at what on-line tools you can use, and how you can make sure people realise you are there, and raise awareness that you are here for us when we need you."

FAITH FESTIVALS – JANUARY

SHINTO 1st Jan, Gantan-sai
SIKH 5th Jan, Birth of Guru Gobind Singh
CHRISTIAN 6th Jan, Epiphany.
CHRISTIAN 7th Jan, Eastern Orthodox Christmas Day
BUDDHIST 10th Jan, Bodhi Day
HINDU 12th Jan, Birthday of Swami Vivekananda
SIKH 13th Jan, Maghi/Lohri
HINDU 26th Jan, Saraswati Puja
JEWISH 27th Jan Holocaust Memorial Day

NEXT PANEL DISCUSSION: ETHICS SERIES ON LEADERSHIP & CULTURE

"Can culture survive in times of turmoil?"

Thurs 9 Feb, 5:30pm – registration info will follow shortly.



CHAT WITH A CHAPLAIN

Just to remind you even if we are not always visible in Canary Wharf, we are still happy to catch up over a coffee, either in person or virtually! [Talk to us!](#)