

Church of Wales' first divorced Bishop

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The Daily Telegraph and other papers reported the appointment of Anthony Crockett, Archdeacon of Carmarthen to be the next Bishop of Bangor in Wales.

The DT reported that "the 58-year-old archdeacon was the unanimous choice of the Church's Bench of Bishops. But a number of clergy in the diocese have expressed anger over the decision, saying that their wishes had been ignored, and the majority of canons at Bangor cathedral have protested to the Archbishop."

Like the Church of England until recently the Church of Wales has taken a clear line on the remarriage of Divorcees and remarried clergy have not been ordained or allowed to remain in office. The Anglican Church, like the early Church has taken the absolute sayings of Jesus from the New Testament very seriously.

The DT reported David Holloway, Vicar of Jesmond as saying that the appointment was yet another example of the Church's liberal leadership being out of step with the vast majority of Anglicans across the world.

"To have a divorced and remarried bishop is, sadly, all of a piece with the move away from Biblical norms on sexual morality."

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