



I acknowledge the decision made by the Rt. Revd. Dr. John Perumbalath to resign from active ministry in the Church of England. I respect his decision and thank him for his ministry.

My thoughts and prayers continue to be with all those who have been affected by this situation.

I am committed to ensuring stability during this time of transition and will be putting the necessary arrangements in place to provide episcopal oversight for the Diocese. An acting Bishop for the Diocese of Liverpool will be announced in the coming days.

Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York

To read a statement from Bishop John visit the [Diocese of Liverpool website](#)

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