

# BISHOP ROSE HUDSON-WILKIN



Bishop Rose Hudson-Wilkin, born in 1961 and raised in Montego Bay, Jamaica, was ordained as a deacon in 1991, but this was only the beginning of her religious journey. In 1994 she was ordained a priest and proceeded to serve in London for over 16 years. Following years of dedication, she was appointed as a Chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen in 2007 and in 2010, she became the first female (79th) Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons.

Bishop Rose serves as an inspirational figure to many for her pioneering role in the religious community, breaking down barriers of both gender and race. Her involvement with religious groups has been extensive, as documented on the Government website: "She has served as a member of the General Synod of the Church of England and also as one of the Panel of Chairs of the Synod. She represented the Church of England at the World Council of Churches in Zimbabwe and Brazil and served as its priest representative on the Anglican Consultative Council."

After her extensive involvement with the Church of England, Bishop Rose became the UK's first Black female Bishop in 2019 when she was appointed Bishop of Dover.

humility

pioneering

positive energy

dedication

kindness

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"I first heard Bishop Rose on breakfast TV, shortly after she became the Bishop of Dover, and I had to stop getting ready for work to listen to her. Her positive energy draws my attention and lifts my spirit. For me, Bishop Rose represents strength, warmth, kindness and humility: qualities which inspire me in a leader."