

## THE DIOCESE OF SAN JOAQUIN

## ANGLICAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA

4159 E. Dakota Avenue Fresno, California 93726-5297 (55)

(559) 244-4828

May 22, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today, Rusty Van Roseboom and I met with Bishop David Rice – the Provisional Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin – and his Chancellor, Mr. Michael Glass. We met at 10am in the Chapel of Holy Innocents, at St. James' Cathedral in Fresno.

Our meeting was warm and cordial, and was an important step in my decision-making about how we will be moving forward as a diocese. Both sides were able to make their current positions and desires clear, and both agreed to take some time to think about the discussions, talk about them with their Standing Committees - and in their case 815 - and then have another meeting in the near future.

In the meantime, please continue to faithfully pray for all involved in these important decisions, as I know you have been.

Your Servant & Bishop,

The Rt. Rev. Eric Vawter Menees Vth Bishop of San Joaquin