

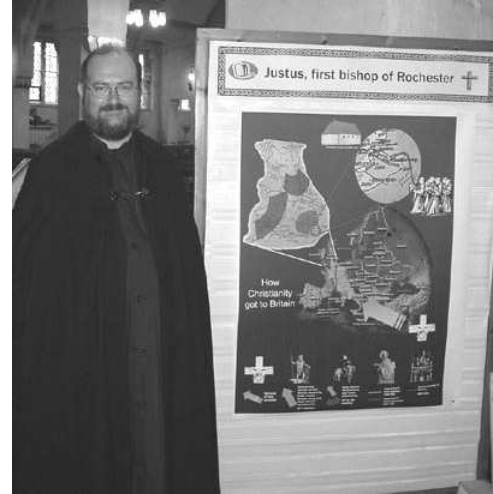
Come Taste See

Were you there?

Come, Taste, See brought us together as a church in a single project over that Friday and Saturday in September. Special thanks go to ... many, many people.

Actors first

It must first be said that without the costumed characters who brought to life the stages of our story – we would still have been able to admire the brilliant posters produced by Nick Hodson! All the same, well done to Jack Mountford and Peter Cheshire who played Justus; Michael Camp and Mike Cox who played Gundulph; Bobbie Bourn as Mrs Featley, Vera Harvey as Queen Victoria and Matt Young as Coles Child, all of whom who played their parts on both days; and lastly Mabel Slater, the WW2 nurse, played by Anita T, Enid K and Louisa Stodd. Weren't they all just great?!!



Visitors

Four classes of pupils from Bickley School toured the exhibition on the Friday. Others came in that day, and there was a steady trickle all day Saturday, some responding to the Parish leaflet, others to the flyers and passers-by who heard Tim Yeo's music collection. It was encouraging that the prayer tree outside the Lady Chapel needed extra leaves. Guided by the timeline, visitors reached the end of the story of the diocese and the development of Bromley. Margaret and Gerald's Traidcraft exhibition and a photo show brought visitors up to date, helped by a welcome cuppa.

Just the past?

So this was St Peter & St Paul's – the part of the story that has finished. But, of course, as God's people, we are moving on: we have a present and a future. We invited people to **taste** and **see** that our Lord in heaven is not only God of the past, but also of the present and all that is yet to come. Of course, we invited people into our church building, a holy place, where we believe God is present in a special way, and this opportunity in itself was good; and we believe that God may have spoken to our visitors in ways we cannot tell or measure. Perhaps the warm welcome you gave was a special moment for someone who visited.

