

The Rev. Walter Reginald (Reg) Guy Pellant OBE, Chaplain 1971 - 1980

Born in Southwark, Surrey, England on 2 Feb 1914, to Walter Reginald Pellant and Enid Regina Mustoe. Walter Reginald Guy Pellant married Rosalie Kaser.
<https://www.ancestry.com/genealogy/records/walter-reginald-guy-pellant-24-sjr6rl>

Rev. Pellant had his ordination training at Cuddesdon College, Oxford in 1942 and was an Associate of King's College, 1942. He was ordained Deacon in 1943, and Priest in 1944.

His first curacy was at St. Pauls, Newington, Southwark 1943-45 from where he moved to St. John the Divine, Kennington, Southwark from 1945 to 1948.

He was appointed Royal Air Force Chaplain in 1948, and in 1969 became Assistant Chaplain-in-Chief to the Royal Air Force until 1971.

He was an Honorary Chaplain to the Queen (QHC) from 1970 until his death in 2004.

A QHC is a member of the clergy within the United Kingdom who, through long and distinguished service, is appointed to minister to the monarch of the United Kingdom. Honorary Chaplains wear a scarlet cassock and a special bronze badge consisting of the royal cypher and crown within an oval wreath. The badge is worn below medal ribbons or miniature medals during the conduct of religious services on the left side of the scarf by chaplains who wear the scarf and on academic or ordinary clerical dress by other chaplains.

Rev. Pellant was appointed Chaplain, Holy Trinity Church Geneva in 1971.



Courtesy of Jenny and John Buffle, we have this photograph of Rev. Reg Pellant and his wife taken on the steps of Holy Trinity Church.

Quoting from Dyne Steel's booklet, A History of the English Church in Geneva:

In 1976 the entire interior of the Church was cleaned and refurbished. For several weeks the congregation moved out to the Ecumenical Centre, where the World Council of Churches graciously allowed them to use a large hall for their services. It was with great pleasure that they returned to Holy Trinity to find a freshly painted church complete with a new floor. Some of the old impedimenta had been cleared away and replaced by much that was simpler and in keeping with modern ideas.

1979 he was awarded an OBE (Officer of the Order of the British Empire) by the Queen for services to the community in Geneva.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1979_Birthday_Honours

He left Geneva in 1980 on retirement and passed away in May 2004 in Bournemouth, Hampshire, England.