## Bishop Carlos López-Lozano



Bishop Carlos, or to use his full title, *The Right Reverend Carlos López-Lozano*, was consecrated bishop by George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, on 5 November 1995.

As reflected in the name, the Spanish Episcopal Church is 'episcopal' which means 'bishop' – it reminds us that a bishop is part of its structure.

Bishops (from the Ancient Greek: 'episkopos' meaning 'overseer') are mentioned in the New Testament. Their office is one of the earliest positions in the Christian

community, thus the Spanish Episcopal Church is linked to the early Church.

The name is also a reminder that we are governed by a bishop, or rather by a 'Bishop in Synod,' that is, Carlos our Bishop acts with the advice and consent of representatives of the clergy and lay people of the Church.

It was at the forty-third synod of the Spanish Episcopal Church on 29 July 1995, that Carlos was elected to serve as its diocesan bishop.