

Election Address Rev Alicia Dring

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I trained at Wycliffe Hall in Oxford, and was ordained at Derby Cathedral in 2003, serving in the Diocese ever since, as Curate in Ockbrook and Borrowash, as Rector of Sawley and now as Vicar of St Peter's Littleover and St Andrew's Blagreaves.

I have also served as Dean of Women, on Senior Leadership Team, on Bishop's Council and for over 10 years on Diocesan Synod. During that time, I've also been a training incumbent, worked on Clergy Wellbeing and last year was one of the Diocesan Six to help in the appointment of our new Diocesan Bishop.

I love being a parish priest – being part of a community, whether that is in church, school, at the Co-op or in the pub. And I would like to serve you at General Synod as exactly that, an ordinary parish priest – to advocate for those of us on in front-line ministry.

This is a short term role – just two meetings - but an important time at Synod, when there are crucial discussions and decisions taking place. Anyone who takes on this role will be playing catch up, but I would hope to carry the responsibility with care and a faithfulness to the Gospel.

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