The Rt Revd Libby Lane Bishop of Derby



Vacancy for Priest in Charge, St Luke's Derby

Thank you for considering this post. This is an exciting time to be joining the Diocese of Derby. The outworking of our vision and strategic outcomes and priorities across the life of diocese offers challenge and opportunity for every post holder.

As the Church of England is renewing its calling to be centred on Christ Jesus and shaped by Him, the Diocese of Derby echoes that call with a re-articulated vision to 2030:

Vision: The Kingdom of God: Good News for All

Aims: Transformed Lives: Growing Church, Building Community

Outcomes: Deepening relationships with God, growing new disciples, serving local contexts,

challenging injustice

Priorities: Younger, more diverse, greener, contexts of social & economic deprivation

Values: Generous Faith - Courageous Hope — Life-Giving Love

Each parish and benefice, across all deaneries, is being reshaped towards a more sustainable future. We are looking to appoint a priest here who can develop our commitment to contextual, local ministry which is aligned to the Diocesan vision and alert to the wider issues and concerns of Derby, Derbyshire, our nation and the world. The new Priest in Charge will be someone who thrives when leading transformational change in an 'estates' context with the skills and experience to enable sustainable missional growth.

St Luke's Derby is formally part of the Parish, and Benefice, of Derby; St Bartholomew and St Luke, but for the sake of focus and missional growth the role relates solely to St Luke's Derby. The congregation at St Luke's are optimistic about the future and focused on the growth of their worshipping community and the missional opportunities within the Stockbrook Estate. This role presents a wonderful opportunity to lead St Lukes as an incarnational and kingdom presence on the estate. The appointed Priest in Charge will want and need to prioritise relationships with the two local primary schools and church secondary school. This post will suit a missional and innovative priest nurtured by and secure in the Anglo-Catholic tradition of the Church of England.

We hope that you will consider applying. Be assured of my continuing prayers for you as you discern God's call.

Yours, in Christ,

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