

**The Rt Revd Libby Lane**  
Bishop of Derby



## **Vacancy for Rector in the United Benefice of Killamarsh, St. Giles' and Renishaw, St. Matthew's.**

Thank you for considering this full-time post under the patronage of the Lord High Chancellor.

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*  
*Transformed Lives: Growing Church and Building Community*
- Outcomes:** Deepening relationships with God, serving our local contexts, challenging injustice, and making new disciples.
- Priorities:** Contexts of social and economic deprivation, growing younger, growing more diverse, and being greener.
- Values:** Generous Faith - Courageous Hope – Life-Giving Love

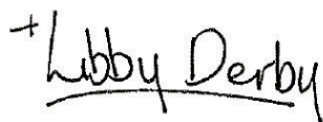
In each deanery, parishes and benefices are engaging in Mission Action Planning towards a more missional and sustainable future that embed our desired outcomes in every context. We are looking to appoint a Rector who can bring renewed life and strength to these post-industrial Parishes, inspiring and leading faithful congregations into deeper discipleship and fresh connection with their local schools (including St. Giles CofE Primary) and communities.

There is the opportunity and desire to engage with both areas of higher social deprivation and new housing through exploring new ways of being church. Such a mixed ecology approach to church growth, across the generations, would hopefully see new leaders emerge and existing leaders strengthened. There has been good support from the neighbouring Parishes during vacancy and there is the hope for ongoing partnership, especially with schools-work.

We are looking to appoint an enabling, missional leader, passionate about ministry in such contexts, who can live out our diocesan values with imagination and persistence. It will be hard work yet deeply rewarding.

We hope and pray for someone who has the humility and grace needed both to lead and work alongside others to equip, shape and resource growing church and building community that God's Kingdom may come.

Be assured of my continuing prayers for you as you discern God's call.

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