

Role description for an Occasional Preacher at All Saints

Role: To inspire, encourage, teach and disciple the people of All Saints through the ministry of preaching.

Role Requirements:

To be:

To be called by God and approved by All Saints church, to be an Occasional Preacher in God's church. To be a person who leads in a gracious, Christ-like manner; and who treats each member of the congregation with respect and dignity, as a unique individual created in the image of God. To be a person whose own life of prayer and worship sets an example for others to follow. To be a person whose speech is honest, truthful and respectful at all times.

To do:

- To preach, by invitation of the Incumbent, at services which have been authorised by the Incumbent and the PCC.
- To attend services at All Saints regularly (at least twice a month), and have a good understanding of the worshipping life of the church
- To attend regular meetings of the All Saints Preaching Group (usually 5/6 times per year)
- To engage in appropriate study and training, as directed by the Incumbent; and to attend refresher courses as appropriate. This will include the Diocesan 'Occasional Preachers Course' as part of the 'Lay Training Pathway'.
- To demonstrate a high level of respect for and loyalty to the Incumbent, in their role as the spiritual leader of All Saints; and to the PCC, as the appointed governing body at All Saints
- To receive appropriate support and supervision by the Incumbent at Preaching Group meetings, at least 3 times per year.
- To be aware that when there is a vacancy in the parish, the Rural Dean is responsible - in consultation with the Church Wardens - for the supervision of those who preach.

I agree to read and adhere to all aspects of the All Saints Safeguarding Policy, including recruitment and training requirements; and to be particularly to be aware of the Lone Working aspects of the policy:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-05/PromotingSaferChurchWeb.pdf>

I agree to read and adhere to the Church of England's Parish Safeguarding Handbook:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/ParishSafeGuardingHandBookAugust2019Web.pdf>

Reports to: The Incumbent

Agreement:

I agree to being an Occasional Preacher at All Saints Church, under the governance structures of the Incumbent and the PCC.

Name (print and sign): _____

Incumbent: _____

Date: _____