

**Full Time Rector (with Rectory)  
Benefice of Penshurst, Fordcombe & the Chiddingstone Churches**

We are looking for a first Rector of our new benefice to introduce younger families and a wider community to the life of our churches in four villages in rural West Kent. We are forming a joint council for the benefice so that we can grow God's church with a strong leader, supported by an assistant priest as well as paid and volunteer help. We offer a modern rectory, a range of state and independent schools, plus excellent road and rail links from nearby Sevenoaks or Tonbridge.

We pray for a priest who will:

- Refresh our church with love, vision and energy.
- Expand our outreach to younger families.
- Be a good communicator who enjoys involvement with parishioners.
- Have a warm personality and provide us with pastoral care.
- Challenge us with Christian education.
- Be a good mentor and encourage lay ministry

For further information about the role and to apply, please [Click Here](#)

Further information about the Diocese of Rochester is available on the [Rochester Diocesan Website](#).

Closing date for applications: 7 May 2021

Parish visits will be offered before interviews on: 14 June 2021

This role is subject to an enhanced DBS with barred list check.

*The Diocese of Rochester is committed to the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults. We will carefully select, train and support all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles.*