

Our Vision: Called Together

Called Together is the shared vision for the Diocese of Rochester. As a diocesan family, it means that, seeking first the kingdom of God, we are called together to **change**, **serve**, and **grow** with compassion, courage, and creativity.

Objectives:

Within the overall vision, our key objectives are to grow **missional churches**, with **missional leaders** and **missional disciples**, that are:

- Growing a safe and healthy culture for all
- Growing younger and more diverse
- Growing spiritually and numerically
- Enriching their communities
- Releasing financial resources for mission
- Planting and growing new missional churches

Outcomes by 2034:



Four workstreams:

Work to fulfil the vision is organised across four strands:

Missional Leadership Development (MLD)

To grow and sustain confident, mission-focused leaders - lay and ordained - ensuring wellbeing, succession planning, and collaborative leadership across the Diocese.

Missional Development Places (MDP)

To grow and multiply new worshipping communities, and through targeted investment in 15 priority places (across parishes, a school, and new housing areas), catalyse growth and resource other parishes through learning, outreach, and models of sustainable mission.

Children, Young People and Families (CYPF)

To counter the decline in children and youth attendance by resourcing leaders, apprenticeships, resource hubs, and school engagement, nurturing faith in the next generation.

Revitalise

To strengthen those parishes that are facing financial and missional challenge, to improve both spiritual life and financial sustainability through targeted support.

All four are seen through the lens of growing **Safe and Healthy Cultures**. This means core commitments across all areas to diversity and inclusion, wellbeing, good practice in safeguarding, net zero and climate care.

Let's pray

Dear God,

Fill us with courage and creativity to carry your light into new places, meeting people where they are, and sharing the life-changing truth of your gospel.

Bless the churches and communities of this diocese with Spirit-filled leaders, faithful disciples, and hearts ablaze with love for you.

May they become vibrant and healthy expressions of your Kingdom—places where your Word is proclaimed, lives are transformed, and communities are renewed.

Guide us, Lord, and remind us always that You are with always us, empowering our every step, even to the end of the world.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen

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