



Holy Trinity
Combe Down



St Andrew's
Community Church



St James the Great
South Stoke



St Michael's
Monkton Combe



PROFILE OF THE UNITED BENEFICE OF COMBE DOWN WITH MONKTON COMBE AND SOUTH STOKE



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WELCOME AND VISION



We extend a very warm welcome to you, from the United Benefice of Combe Down with Monkton Combe and South Stoke.

We are a Benefice of three parishes, worshipping in four churches, with a common vision.

Holy Trinity, Combe Down (HTCD)
St Andrew's Community Church, Foxhill (StACC)
St James the Great, South Stoke (St James)
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We are looking for a Senior Associate Minister for Growth who will preach biblical truth, led by the Holy Spirit, and who will help us take the invitation of Jesus to the wider community. With substantial new housing estates in two of our parishes our population has expanded by over 1,000 new families. This is a crucial time in our community's life. So, we need someone with a heartfelt passion for mission beyond the walls of our churches, who will lead, inspire and challenge us to put our faith into action across our Benefice. We pray that this profile will help you discern if God is calling you to join us as we seek to walk in His ways and grow His Kingdom.



We seek to grow a strong sense of family and community within our churches, caring and sharing in spiritual, emotional and practical ways. We seek to obey Jesus' great commission and demonstrate God's love to others. We look at ways to offer biblically based teaching to our community with a variety of bible courses.

HTCD's ministry priorities have been:

- Developing a culture of invitation
- Nurturing a hunger for God
- Praying for His presence on the new estates in our parishes
- Developing a sense of belonging by investing in families
- Developing young leaders.



We have a well-developed lay ministry, and we believe that every member has something to give. At HTCD we also have a large staff team. Our congregation believes in Every Member Ministry under the Holy Spirit's direction, so we need someone who can lead us in outreach outside our church building by example, training and planning.

WHERE ARE WE?

Bath

About 100,000 people live in Bath, famous for its Roman Baths and Georgian architecture. It is surrounded by beautiful countryside and the wooded hills around the city are as much a part of its charm as the Bath stone buildings within.

Bath is one of the busiest tourist destinations in the country outside London and has a vibrant cultural life. The city has two universities with a large student population and many excellent schools. Bath Rugby, Bath City Football Club and Somerset Cricket Club attract strong and loyal support. Bath's main employers include the local Council, the universities, the NHS and the hospitality and tourism sectors, while significant numbers of Bath residents commute to workplaces elsewhere, mainly along the M4 corridor.

For a small city, Bath has a lot to offer. However, although unemployment is low, housing costs are very high so people who work in low wage sectors often have to live up to 20 miles away to find affordable homes. Bath also includes significant areas of social deprivation, not least in Combe Down parish.

Combe Down

Combe Down is a historic village on the southern edge of Bath, known for its attractive Georgian stone houses, leafy surroundings, and a strong community atmosphere. It is an affluent, predominantly middle-class suburban area. The population is largely white British with a strong representation of people aged 30–59, and many of the households are families with children. A large proportion of residents are degree educated or have strong formal qualifications. Professional and managerial occupations dominate, especially education, healthcare, and professional services. It is relatively affluent (household incomes are above UK averages) and owner-occupation rates are high. Older and quieter than central Bath – locals often describe it as safe, village-like. It is also popular with retirees. There is some student presence because of proximity to the universities.

Foxhill

Although in the same parish the Foxhill Estate has a noticeably different profile from Combe Down. Historically it has been one of the city's more working-class and socially mixed neighbourhoods. There are a high proportion of social housing tenants, with more younger families and single adults, lower average incomes and employment outcomes than much of Bath. It is still largely White British, though more ethnically mixed than surrounding areas with Black, Asian, Arab, and Eastern European communities. The estate has been officially described as more socially and economically deprived than surrounding parts of Bath, with some areas among the most deprived nationally.

Historically, Foxhill developed as a post-war council estate, and that legacy still shapes its identity

today. Strong community ties within the estate are noticeable and there are many long-term residents however, there is also notable social isolation from the rest of Bath,

In recent years, the adjacent Mulberry Park development has started changing the area's mix, bringing in more owner-occupiers, professional families, newer housing stock, and gradual gentrification

South Stoke

South Stoke, three miles south of Bath, is a hillside parish on the southern edge of the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The Parish is spread over an area of about 800 acres and includes part of the hamlet of Midford.

South Stoke village, a major part of the parish, has a mixed population of around 400. Houses range from large, detached properties to terraced cottages mostly in private ownership.

There is also a development of new homes within the Parish on Sulis Down with 170 homes completed. This represents an influx of people more than double the present population of South Stoke. Such an expansion is an opportunity but also presents a challenge to the character of South Stoke.

The village has a very strong sense of community. The refurbishment of the Packhorse Inn (by a consortium of residents) has been a successful local venture.

Monkton Combe

Monkton Combe is a rural parish of about 300 residents, on the south-facing slope of the Midford Brook valley, south of Bath.

The single largest constituent of the village is Monkton Senior School, an independent boarding school for pupils aged between 13-18. The school owns several local houses but there is also a lively community within the village. There is a well-used village hall, and a popular pub whose accommodation, food and gardens are a focal point for the locality.

Most residents, if they are not employed by the school, travel to work locally, although some commute as far as London. There is a good cross-section of ages within the village, although weighted towards those who can afford to live in the area.

WHO ARE WE?

Our Church Families

HTCD

HTCD is a vibrant, evangelical “Word and Spirit” Church, connected to the New Wine Network, consisting of a warm and friendly group of about 300 people of all ages, families, single people and students, with a heart for God and a desire to see people and communities transformed by Jesus.

There are currently 259 people on our joint electoral roll (with StACC). We have three services on Sundays, at 9am, 10.45am and at 6pm, each with a distinct character. On Sundays we welcome an average worshipping community of 198 adults and 42 children (Statistics for Mission October 2025). We also have a mid-week service with regular attendance of 38 adults and a whole school ‘Open The Book’ service with around 400 children.

God has blessed us with gifted people, many of whom dedicate themselves to serving faithfully in many ministry areas. Indeed HTCD is a resourcing and equipping church. 25 people have gone on from HTCD to train for the ordained ministry in the last 25 years. We have been involved in building new congregations

“We really like the focus on the word and spirit, bringing both of these together. And we love the way the church is integrated into the community and cares for the community.”

Esther and Rob Youlten

StACC

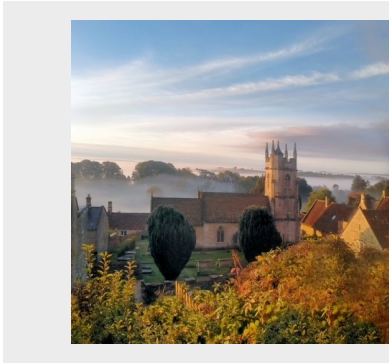
HTCD’s “sister church” is St Andrew’s Community Church. StACC is community focused and the building is open all week for regular events and ‘drop in’. The church has a vision of itself as a ‘lighthouse’ and a ‘lifeboat’, to the community and has an ‘open door’ policy welcoming all local people throughout the week regardless of their faith, age, or ethnicity. To do this the church aims to offer physical, emotional and spiritual encouragement through being a reliable and constant presence, every day of the week, pointing people gently towards Jesus.

Sunday services at StACC had an average attendance of 80. There is an active church WhatsApp group that is a spiritual and emotional support within the community. To support the younger element in the congregation, a regular and enthusiastic All Age Service has added a more informal style.

“A good church. Very reliable. They’ve looked after me and my kids. A good bunch of people.”

John Renwick, father of three children attending StACC.

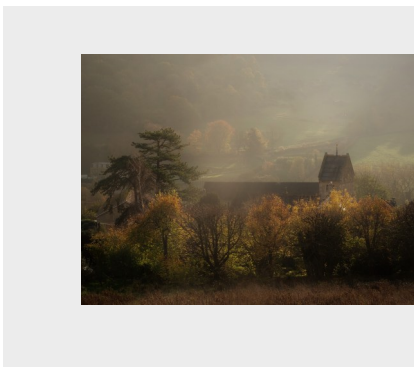
St James



St James electoral roll currently stands at 60 and the church regularly attracts over 30 people to the weekly Sunday service. A little less than half of these come from outside the parish.

The congregation is predominantly elderly and mature and whilst wishing to continue to enjoy traditional services have been very open to ideas for developing the impact of the church within the community.

St Michael's



The church has strong historic links with Monkton School, a Christian school in the evangelical tradition of the Anglican Church, which was founded in 1868 by the vicar of Monkton Combe. We have an annual service for school leavers where the congregation undertakes to pray regularly for them for the year after they leave school.

The congregation tends to be more mature in years, with a spiritual maturity born of many years of church attendance. About two thirds of the congregation are retired, but almost all are active in serving the church in some way. We see ourselves as welcoming and caring, dependent on God, and with a flexible and prayerful approach to fulfilling God's will.

There are 26 on the electoral roll, of whom the majority are regular attendees on Sunday, many coming from outside the parish. A typical attendance is around 20.

"We are an active and caring community with a 'family' atmosphere. Visitors and potential new members are given a warm and meaningful welcome. For all this we are grateful to God." a regular worshipper.

WHAT DO WE DO? SERVICES

Our United Benefice is made up of five distinct congregations; two traditional Anglican services, three contemporary ones.

HTCD

We have four services each week. Three contemporary services on a Sunday and one on a Thursday. Our Sunday morning services are live-streamed and are on You Tube for catch up.

After each morning service prayer ministry is available.

9am Congregation

This service is band-led worship and is more contemplative in style. Holy Communion is celebrated once a month.

10.45am Congregation

A lively, informal, contemporary service with band led worship and provision for children and young people, with Communion once a month. Adult baptisms by immersion, renewal of baptismal vows, dedication of children and infant baptism also take place as requested in these services. We have about 50 young children regularly attending and we provide three “Crews” for them. We aim to raise our Children to be “Ready, Equipped and Willing” for all that God has called them to be

The Six Congregation

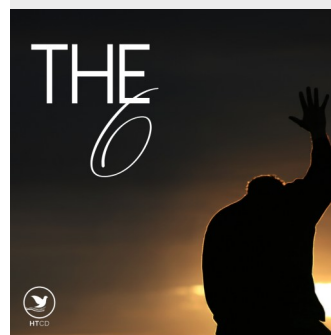
This service is band-led worship and is particularly aimed at younger people.

The Thursday Service Congregation

This service is very much focused at our seniors with traditional hymns front and centre and a regular attendance of 40–50 people

StACC

We have an informal Sunday service starting at 10.30am with contemporary worship, led by members of the congregation in the Main Hall, preceded by Tea & Toast. We hold Communion once a month. There are 20 under 18s taking part in children’s work at StACC. Children’s groups are coordinated by a voluntary team.



St James

The principal service on a Sunday is at 9.30am. Holy Communion is celebrated twice a month alternating with Morning Service, All Age service and, if there is a fifth Sunday, BCP Morning prayer.

Easter and Christmas services and Harvest and Mothering Sunday draw many village families who are not regular attenders.

All services are accompanied by music and hymns (mainly from BBC Songs of Praise). We are well supported by our Churchwarden and Rev Chris Absolon.

*“My husband and I arrived in the village earlier this year and the welcome we received encouraged us to stay, even though the traditional form of services had not been our preferred form of worship. There is a very real sense of community and fellowship”
David and Jane Wicks.*

St Michael's

St Michaels service begins at 11.00am each Sunday. We have one communion service a month and the others are Morning Prayer. The form of service is taken from Common Prayer and reflects the seasons of the Church's year. Lectionary readings are normally followed. Members of the congregation are actively involved in reading and leading intercessions: at present there are 18 members on the rota.

Currently, the majority of services are not led by a member of the clergy, but St Michael's is ably supported by our Reader and others who preach on an occasional basis.

Coffee and biscuits are served after every service and this forms an important part of the church's pastoral care and mission.

WHAT DO WE DO? WEEKDAYS

Prayer

It is very encouraging that there are regular prayer groups that meet weekly or monthly, both in person and online. Prayer ministry is available after the morning services and on the online service.

“Hazel and I have been a part of HTCD since we moved to Combe Down. In the first week we attended the Thursday 7 a.m. prayer meeting and knew immediately that this was a church with a beating heart where we would feel at home among committed believers who not only take the Word of God seriously but also expect to see the Holy Spirit at work in their lives.”

David Jewel, Seniors.

Small Groups

We encourage members of the congregation to join a home group, and provide questions based on the weekly sermons. There are 20 home groups with 220 members, and a regular newcomers' group at HTCD.

Pastoral Care

Our Pastoral Care Team visit those in their home, hospital or care home and watch over those in Church who are struggling. The Meals Ministry team have provided meals to those in STACC and HT during periods of sickness or difficulty.

A team visit the Peggy Dodd Dementia Care Centre fortnightly and offer a special dementia friendly Christmas service Bath wide. Monthly services are taken in two local Care Homes.

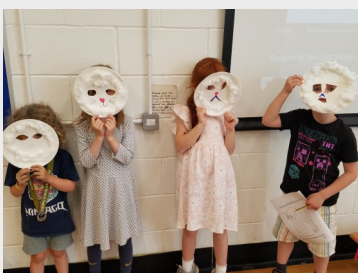
We also run special events such as Retreat Days; courses and events aimed at the more vulnerable in our communities.

Children

Our Children's Minister is busy during the week with our St Andrews Toddlers which also serves as an adult outreach by providing free meals to the grown-ups as well as the children,. We run 'Open the Book' for Combe Down Primary School and 'Thankful Thursdays' preschool group introducing the really young to bible stories and worship songs at Holy Trinity. We provide invitational opportunities for families with primary age children such as a Light Party on Halloween, seasonal events around Easter and the Nativity Trail at Christmas. 50–60 children attend these events.

Combe Down CEVC Primary School

As a church we have an excellent relationship with the school (406 children - whose site neigh-



bours the Church). We were lucky enough to have been chosen to build on this by hosting a Flourish initiative worker. Children come to church to attend an Open The Book service on Wednesday afternoons and we host many end of term and seasonal services for the school. We have Foundation Governors who work with the teachers to oversee the school's ethos and encourage the relationship between church and school.

Youth

Our youth minister, together with volunteers, runs two youth groups at Holy Trinity on a Sunday with younger youth meeting during the 10.45am service and older youth on Sunday evenings after The Six service. During the week we offer a youth Home Group on Wednesday evenings. Over at StACC, there is a low key after school drop-in on Wednesdays, and a youth group recently relaunched on Thursday evenings.

"I'm 16 and the youth team has definitely helped me grow in faith." Rohan, year 12.

Women's Ministry

The women's ministry at HTCD and StACC aims to bring the women in the church closer together and draw women not yet part of the church nearer to faith in Christ. We run events throughout the year including breakfasts, a retreat day, a worship evening. Most events have speakers who cover a wide range of topics. We aim to provide a combination of events so some are invitationals.

Men's Ministry

The men's ministry at HTCD and StACC aims to build-up and encourage a community of men within the church. With a mixture of invitationals events, talks and activities and usually an annual weekend away.

Community Outreach

The church provides many community outreach initiatives mainly run from StACC: including

- St Andrews Toddlers a term time drop in for preschool children and their carers with a lunch provided and a very gentle introduction to biblical stories.
- Foxhill Focus, a weekly drop-in lunch for the vulnerable and lonely with opportunity for prayer and fellowship.
- StAction Days where skips are hired and rubbish and litter is collected from people's gardens and public spaces.
- Food parcels – with six food donations a week collected by volunteers to support the lunches cooked on the premises plus food available to those in need.

"I have worshipped with my family in the parish for the last 12 years. We attend St Andrews. For us, St Andrews is the heart of our community."



Sarah Bogg, worshipper at StACC.

St James

A small prayer group meets weekly in the Church on a Thursday. A Ladies Bible Study Group meets weekly in term time and is attended by just under half of the female church members.

St Michael's

There are two home groups, one of which study the Bible, and the other focusing on prayer, worship and discussion. We have quarterly 'bring and share' or fundraising lunches, and twice yearly craft days which attract people from outside the congregation.

WHAT DO WE DO: MISSION

HTCD and StACC

We support a range of long-term and short-term overseas and local mission partners. We commit 10% of HTCD's undesignated general income to mission and our International Mission Team and UK Mission Team provides a general oversight of our engagement with mission partners. We aim to be a substantial support to those who go long-term, not just in terms of finance but in prayer and practical help.

Our current overseas mission partners are:

- Romania: Pastor Otto and Pastor Atilla, serving through Belief in Action.
- Albania: Paul & Albana, serving with Open Air Campaigners.
- Kenya: Tim & Christian serving through Generous Charity.
- Tanzania: Ben & Katy at Neema Crafts / Church Mission Society
- Philippines: Malcolm & Meme in Church Leadership & Pastoral Work, Ozamiz City.
- Zambia: David & Sarah serving through the Chengelo Educational Trust.
- UK: Sarah & Gerard working with OMF to send missions overseas.

Our current UK mission partners are:

- A2 Youth: City wide Christian youth work.
- Genesis Trust: Christian Charity supporting vulnerable adults.
- Peggy Dodd Centre: Day Centre supporting those living with dementia
- Grow For Life: Grow for Life, founded on Christian principles to nurture people through social & therapeutic gardening.
- UCCF: Tom & Becky working with Christian Unions in Bath universities and Norland
- The Anchor Project: working with vulnerable people in Bradford, Yorkshire including refugees and asylum seekers.

St James

Through the Diocesan Zambian Link, we support St Francis Hospital, Katete. This is a longstanding arrangement. Locally, we support The Genesis Trust among other local organisations. We also support the work of St Andrews particularly with the lunch club.

St Michael's

We support various missionary societies, but we are especially close to two missionaries who have long term connections with the church or school who are now serving God at home or abroad: one works for BUILD in Africa, and one couple work with young people in Central Asia.

RESOURCES: CLERGY & STAFF

HTCD and StACC

HTCD is a registered charity and we are guided by our constitution. Our patron is the Rector of Bath Abbey. The Benefice is privileged to have one Reader and we are blessed with retired clergy Revd William Challis, offering additional support.

Benefice

Vicar	Rev. Shawn Swinney (full time)
Senior Minister for Growth	<i>To be appointed (full-time)</i>
Associate Minister for St Andrews	Rev. Ben Notley (full time)
Minister for St James	Rev Chris Absolon (voluntary, part-time)

HTCD and StACC staff team:

Children's Minister	Beth Mitchell (full time)
Youth Minister	Lois Clark (full time)
Worship Leader	Aine McLachlan (full time)
Pastoral Care Co-Ordinator	Vanessa Rew (part time)
Operations Manager	Liz Hume (part-time)
Administrator	Becky Clay (part time)
Finance Officer	Phil Podger (part-time)
StACC Centre Manager	Peter Watt (part time)
Caretaker	Sean Upham (full time)

HTCD and StACC Churchwardens Steve Machell and Sally Hogg

The staff team meets weekly. The Senior Leadership Team oversees the implementation of key policy decisions and transacts the day-to-day business of the PCC. Many volunteers run many of the mid-week activities and lead and support the Sunday services at HTCD and at StACC by welcoming people, reading, leading worship and prayers, and also preaching.

The church office supports the ministry and mission of HTCD and StACC. It also provides some administrative support for St James and St Michael's.

RESOURCES: PCCS

HTCD with STACC

Has an enthusiastic, committed and prayerful PCC who, together with the staff team, seek to lead the two churches. The PCC meets six times a year and has three sub-committees – Standing, Staffing and Buildings.

The PCC comprises elected members, the Treasurer, the two churchwardens and the vicar and the curates. There is also a deputy warden who does not sit on the PCC but does take a particular interest in buildings and gardens.

St James

The Parish has benefited greatly from the leadership of Rev Chris Absolon, who typically leads two Communion services a month and has a major pastoral role in the Parish.

The PCC numbers 14, including one Churchwarden, and meets at least four times a year under the chairmanship of the Vicar.

We have designated people to attend to Finance, Safeguarding, Health and Safety, Electoral Roll, Deanery Synod and Diocesan Synod, as well as a Verger and leaders for volunteer groups attending to church cleaning, flower arranging and maintenance.

The Church produces approximately 170 copies of monthly Parish Notes, going to church members, village friends and our wider supportive community.

St Michael's

The PCC consists of eight members, including two churchwardens, and meet four times a year, under the chairmanship of the vicar. The cleaning of the church and the flower arranging is carried out by members of the congregation on a rota. The churchyard is cared for by a paid part-time worker.

RESOURCES: OUR BUILDINGS

Holy Trinity Church

The church was built in the 1830's and was consecrated as a Parish Church in 1835. It was completely renovated around 25 years ago, when the choir stalls and pews were removed and replaced with modern moveable pews.

There is a lovely, light and airy feel to the building. There is a small side chapel and a vestry with an adjoining side room which is used as a crèche and a prayer room. This has allowed the church to be used much more flexibly for example, Seniors' lunches, women's breakfasts and concerts.

The church has a hospitality area for making teas and coffee and an audio-visual control desk to mix sound and live stream services. There are two screens at the front of the church used during services which are largely paper-free. The church seats 350-400. The church garden is a pleasant space for summer events, chiefly laid to grass with trees.

St Andrew's Community Church

Built in 2011 and opened by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on St Andrew's Day to replace the original building which was damaged by fire in the 1990s. The church comprises a large main hall seating 120, a large meeting room seating 34, and a large café area seating 24. There are two small offices. The building has a large fully equipped commercial kitchen and a disabled toilet with baby changing facilities. A pleasant, fenced garden is accessed through the large meeting room and there is some off-street parking. The building is modern, airy and well used by the community.

St James The Great

The church building is recorded as one of the earliest in the Bath Deanery. All that remains of the Norman church, which was built by Bath Priory, is the Norman doorway, dated 1160-1170, and the baptismal font. The stone pulpit is 15th century and the tower, dating from the early 16th century, houses three bells, rung regularly at most services. The architecture of the present building is Neo-Gothic and dates from 1845 when a major restoration was carried out. In 1953 a Lady Chapel was created at the east end of the south aisle.

The church is in the centre of the Conservation Area of South Stoke and is a Grade II* Listed Building. It is kept open during daylight hours all year round. The churchyard is closed except for the interment of ashes and is now the responsibility of Bath and North East Somerset (BANES) District Council. The churchyard is maintained by BANES under a contract with the Parish Council.

The PCC has recently carried out a re-ordering project, providing a hospitality area in the south-west corner of the church enhanced by the addition of a wall hanging, designed by a resident of South Stoke and made by church members and friends. More recently a toilet has been built in a

small extension to the church (by the vestry).

St Michael's

The present church of St Michael's was built in 1865, replacing an earlier building, parts of which were Saxon, and associated, as was the village itself, with the monks of Bath Abbey.

The church, which is on the edge of Monkton Combe, can seat about 120, expanding to 200 with additional chairs for weddings and the Christmas Carol service. It has an 8-bell carillon, and a conventional 2-manual organ. Victorian pine pews are sited in the nave and south aisles, the north aisle having been cleared to provide a coffee area and children's corner.

In 2013 the congregation and the wider community raised a staggering £80,000 to install a toilet and hospitality suite. Other recent work includes a new lighting system and a renewal of the path to the church. The removal of two large pine trees means that the church is now visible from the road.

The church has a large churchyard, the burial ground for both Monkton Combe and Combe Down. It is closed for burials, except for the interment of ashes. Harry Patch, 'The Last Fighting Tommy' is buried in the churchyard, and his grave attracts much interest.

Church Rooms

The Church Rooms are a hundred yards from Holy Trinity and were renovated in 2009. They offer good space for children's and young people's groups as well as a facility that can be rented by the community. There is a large open-plan office, a vicar's office, plus three meeting rooms of various sizes and a large hall with kitchen attached. The office is staffed every weekday and is open between 9am – 3pm.

St Andrew's Community Centre

The centre is alongside the church and offers an additional hall and a counselling room plus a car park. Previously owned by the local council the church raised enough money to buy the land and (temporary) building in just a few weeks. Although in poor condition volunteers have managed to bring the building back in to use for the short term.

STRENGTHS AND CHALLENGES

Strengths

- We are a warm, welcoming and outward looking Benefice
- We are blessed with active committed believers who are faithful in prayer and ministry
- We have uplifting worship in a variety of styles
- Good children's and youth work in HTCD and StACC
- We have well appointed, maintained and resourced buildings
- A strong and committed staff team at HTCD and StACC
- A high level of lay involvement in leading and preaching
- Intentional prayer and outreach to the new homes being built at Mulberry Park
- Exemplary community outreach at StACC

Challenges

- To engage more with those outside our congregations offering Jesus' invitation
- For the Holy Spirit to work more powerfully and prophetically amongst us
- To increase our involvement in the local community, particularly within the new Mulberry Park and Sulis Down developments
- To further empower and engage volunteers from across the church family
- To attract and keep younger newcomers and Christmas and Easter visitors to the village churches



RELATIONSHIPS ACROSS THE CITY

Bath is a city with many vibrant churches and several local networks for ministers and churches. The local Deanery Synod meets three or four times a year and has a varied programme of speakers. HTCD and STACC have four elected members to the Deanery Synod.

With the benefit of the additional post of Minister for Growth we have run courses open to all churches across Bath exploring effective preaching, evangelism and popular culture and faith connections. Resources from these are published on our website.

Bath CAN (Christian Action Network) is an ecumenical grouping which oversees Bath-wide events such as the Good Friday Cross Walk through the city and the twice-yearly well-attended prayer meeting which fills Bath Abbey to share concerns and to pray for the city. It produces a Lent Prayer booklet.

“This is an exciting post at an exciting time in the deanery and the diocese. We have a clear vision to see hundreds of people becoming disciples here in Bath and to see our city transformed by God’s loving rule. This varied Benefice has been at the forefront of shaping this vision over a number of years and has a significant role to play in our future as a Deanery. We are grateful for all that has been established, planted and we are praying for further growth and fruitfulness in the years to come. As the local communities of Foxhill and Combe Down change and grow we are looking to see how God will use his church in his mission locally and as a resource for the wider city and region.” Richard Wilson, Rural Dean 2017.



WHAT WE OFFER YOU?

We are keen that our Senior Associate Minister for Growth flourishes in this post, continues to read and explore God's word and has time for personal reflection, prayer and the refreshment of the Holy Spirit. We want you to keep up with your Continuing Ministerial Development and have time for this. HTCD is also part of the Post Swanwick Group for vicars of large churches in the Diocese. We encourage ministers to have a retreat away from church duties at regular intervals.

If you have a family, we want them to thrive and enjoy the neighbourhood. The Diocese makes available a four-bedroom house in a lovely location on Mulberry Park. Indeed the Diocese is supportive of this outreach role. The diocese's strap line is 'Living the story, Telling the story.'

Bath Deanery is supportive of the Benefice and there is a sense that the Deanery has a shared vision. Our Archdeacon the Venerable Charlie Peer is supportive of the Benefice and this post

We are confident that God is preparing the person called to minister in our Benefice as we write this profile and we are praying for you as you consider whether God is calling you.

Please feel free to contact the Rev Shawn Swinney or the Churchwardens at HT for any further information through the church office.

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Diocese of Bath and Wells

www.bathandwells.org.uk

Bath and North East Somerset Council

www.bathnes.gov.uk

Bath Tourist Office

www.visitbath.co.uk

Monkton Combe village

www.monktoncombe.com

Bath Schools

Combe Down CoE Primary

www.combedown.com

Mulberry Park School

www.mulberryparket.org.uk

Hayesfield Girls Secondary School

www.hayesfield.com

Beechen Cliff Boys Secondary School

www.beechencliff.org.uk

Ralph Allen Co-Ed Secondary School

www.ralphallenschool.com

St Gregory's Catholic Secondary School

www.st-gregorys.org.uk

Monkton School

www.monktoncombeschool.com

Prior Park College

www.priorparkcollege.com

