

Priest in Charge of Charlesworth and Gamesley and Priest in Charge of Dinting Vale

Thank you for considering this post. This is an exciting and challenging time for the Diocese of Derby. 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 as we re-articulate a vision for the next 5 years:

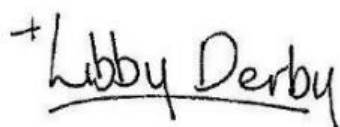
Vision:	The Kingdom of God: Good News for All
Mission:	To proclaim <i>afresh</i> in this generation the good news of the Kingdom
Values:	Generous Faith - Courageous Hope – Life-Giving Love
Aims:	Transformed Lives: Growing Church, Building Community
Outcomes:	Deepening relationship with God; Making new disciples; Serving local communities, Challenging injustice
Priorities:	prioritising those facing social and economic deprivation, becoming younger and more diverse, being greener,

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 priest who can work collaboratively across these churches, Glossopdale and the wider deanery. The new Priest in Charge will be someone who thrives when leading transformational change across small towns with the skills to enable sustainable missional growth.

These parishes have remained strong through the vacancy and are seeking to grow in their discipleship and ability to engage pastorally and missionally with their communities. A key missional opportunity is to develop the emerging work amongst children and young people within the Growing Faith Hub. Following the closure of the church building in Gamesley there is the exciting opportunity to reimagine what a Christian presence in the heart of that community could be and to pioneer from scratch with support from other churches in the area. Similarly, Simmondley has a significant population but is distant from existing church structures. Parishes across Peak Deanery are all facing significant missional transition with opportunity to reconsider shaping of ministry and resource that is fruitful and sustainable.

We are looking to appoint a gospel hearted, compassionate and persistent enabling leader to build up ministry across these parishes and support them in the exploration of partnerships and new missional opportunities. This is an ideal post for someone who enjoys mission in town environments, is interested in pioneering and experienced in schools, children and youth work. We are praying for someone who will work generously within and beyond these parishes, 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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