

**The Bishop of Rochester seeks to appoint a
Vicar for the
Benefice of Lamberhurst & Matfield**

We are prayerfully seeking a warm and inspiring leader to journey with us in faith, mission and every day village life.

We are hoping and praying for someone who will:

- Keep **Jesus at the centre** of their life and ministry, sharing **bible based teaching** to help us grow in faith and understanding
- Bring a **passion for mission**, helping us explore and live out God's vision in our communities
- Support and encourage **pastoral care** as together we care for people of all ages and backgrounds
- Help us **discover and develop our gifts**, so we can live out our faith in every day life
- Help us **grow our families and youth work**, and continue building strong relationships with our local schools

In return we offer:

- **Two welcoming Christian communities eager to grow**, united for over 40 years, committed to deepening their relationship with God and their communities
- **Dedicated staff and volunteer teams** including Parish Administrator, Lay reader and two LLM in training
- **A modern 6 bedroom Vicarage** in Lamberhurst, conveniently located near local amenities
- **A warm and supportive Deanery Chapter** meeting regularly for fellowship and encouragement
- **A beautiful rural setting** with many opportunities to engage in village life

Full details are in the Parish Profile, which can be downloaded here:

<https://www.rochester.anglican.org/xdb/vacancies>

Applications via Pathways: <https://www.cofepathways.org/>

Any queries, or to arrange an informal chat with Archdeacon Nick Cornell about this vacancy, email EA to the Archdeacon, Sal Hamlyn: sal.hamlyn@rochester.anglican.org

Closing date for applications: 25 January 2026

Parish tour and interview: 25 February 2026