

## Parish Profile

**This form is designed to give an overview of a parish to be used in a vacancy for the appointment of a new parish priest. It will be accepted as the "statement describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish" required by the Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986. Additional information may be given by way of printed documents or written submissions.**

### I. Parish Information

1(a)	Name of parish(es) to which this information relates:	Wrenthorpe St. Anne
(b)	Name(s) of parish church(es):	St. Anne
2.	Name(s) of other C of E church(es)/centres for public worship in the parish:	N/A
3.	Cluster or group of parishes within which you work (formally or) informally:	North Wakefield Benefice
4.	Deanery:	Wakefield
5.	Population:  <i>The 2011 census information gives the following figures. Please indicate how this might have changed since then.</i>	7607 in 2021 but there has been some building in recent years so the population is growing

6(a)	Number on Electoral Roll:	62
(b)	Date of APCM when this number was declared:	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2025

7. Attendance at worship in each church

*Please provide details of average attendance at Sunday and weekday services*

Church/Service	Time	No. of communicants	Adult attendance	Under 16
Holy Communion - Sunday	10.45am	42	42	3
Holy Communion - Wednesday	2.15pm	14	14	0

8. Occasional offices

*Number for last 12 months in each church*

Church	Baptisms	Confirmees	Weddings	Funerals in church	Funerals taken by clergy not in church
St. Anne's	7	2	0	8	Not known

9. Communications

*Please give names and contact details BUT only include details that can be shared when this document is made public*

Church	Clergy	Readers	Lay staff eg Youth worker, Administrat or	Churchwardens

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## II. Parish/Community Information

1(a)	Briefly describe the population mix of the(se) parish(es) in terms of its employment, cultural, ethnic, age and housing mix.	The majority of the population is white British, of all ages. Many adults of working age are employed, traveling to their places of work, although there has been a growing need for the local Foodbank. There are also many adults over working age, many of whom have lived in the parish for many years. During the last few years a number of houses have been built and sold, although there are also a number of housing association properties and privately let properties in the parish Recently had an influx of families from Hong Kong settling in Wrenthorpe
(b)	Are there any special social problems (eg high unemployment)?	Increasing reliance on the local Foodbank by some people as income doesn't meet their needs

2.	<p>Please list for each</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Schools:</li> <li>Youth centres:</li> <li>Hospitals:</li> <li>Nursing/elderly persons' homes:</li> <li>Care Home</li> <li>Other Christian churches</li> <li>Places of worship of other faiths</li> </ul>	<p>Primary – Wrenthorpe Academy Jerry Clay Academy Kirkhamgate Academy Hall Cliffe Primary School (SEN)</p> <p>Primary and Secondary Silcoates School Pinderfields Hospital School</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Carr Gate Nursing Home</p> <p>Gateholme Care Home, Carr Gate The Lawrence, Wrenthorpe The Sanctuary Project for young people with various social problems Wrenthorpe Methodist Church Lindale Methodist Church, Kirkhamgate The Well Church</p> <p>None</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Businesses:</li> <li>Neighbourhood initiatives:</li> <li>Associations eg tourist group:</li> <li>Describe any civic responsibilities which the clergy have:</li> </ul>	<p>Pharmacy, Hairdressers, Dog Grooming, Post Office, Barbers, Convenience Stores, Chinese Takeaway, Wrenthorpe Sports and Social Club, Garden Centre, Licenced Restaurant, Tesco Express, Pubs, Car Repair Garage</p> <p>Wrenthorpe Environmental Group Foodbank and Community Cafe</p> <p>Wrenthorpe Community Association Kirkhamgate Community Association</p>

### III. Church Information

*Please give details for each church*

1(a)	What percentage of the congregation lives outside the parish?	15%
(b)	Describe the mix of the congregation in terms of age, employment, cultural, ethnicity, age and gender.	White, British, mainly retired, mix of male and female. Recently had younger people and families join us Residents from Gateholme Care Home
2(a)	How would you describe the churchmanship tradition of each church and give details of robes and vestments worn by officiants?	We are a 'Broad' Church The Priest usually wears an Alb and Stole
(b)	What is the regular average weekly giving of those 16 years & over and what proportions of the giving is gift aided?	£17.50 per week for those giving in envelopes or standing orders 96% Gift Aided This ignores anonymous cash collections
(c)	When did you last have a stewardship campaign?	Over 20 years ago
3.	How does each Church supplement its direct giving in order to meet its financial needs?	Social Events Church Hall Income
4(a)	What amount of working expenses were paid to the clergy in the last financial year?	No expenses were paid to clergy in 2024
(b)	Were these met in full?	N/A
(c)	Is there an annual discussion with the clergy about their level of expenses as part of the PCC's budgeting process?	No
5(a)	What amount of Share has (a) been requested; and (b) been paid from the parish in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>last year?</li> <li>current year?</li> <li>next year?</li> </ul>	<div> <u>Share requested</u> <u>Share Paid</u> </div> <div> £42,730 £24,000 </div> <div> £44,889 </div> <div> Not notified </div>

(b)	Will this year's be met?	Probably not
6(a)	Is there any capital project in hand at the moment?	No
(b)	Please give brief details with costs and state how they are to be met.	N/A
7.	Please attach a copy of the last PCC accounts.	
8(a)	What is the general state of repair of: the Church(es) - <i>please list</i>	<p>From Quinquennial Report 2019 'The church is in reasonably sound repair but needs a modest repair programme.'</p> <p>We are waiting for the Quinquennial Report for 2024 from the architect</p>
(b)	Please give details of major maintenance needed following the last quinquennial.	<p>Remove vegetation and carry out remedial work to roof</p> <p>Repair/replace missing or tailed slates Pointing missing to flashing and soakers have slipped</p> <p>Roofer to check ridgings to south transept</p> <p>Gutters and downpipes in need of clearing</p> <p>Clear leaf fall around boiler room</p>

#### IV. Outreach and Mission

1(a)	What are the regular mission and outreach activities of the parish?	<p>Cheeky Cherubs – Toddler Group</p> <p>Forget-Me-Not Friendship Group</p> <p>Young People's Drop-In</p> <p>MAPP's Men's Group</p> <p>Women of Substance – Women's Group</p> <p>Gateholme Fellowship Group</p> <p>Church Parade for Scouts, Brownies and Guides</p> <p>Create and Craft Days twice a year</p> <p>Going into three primary schools and gifting transition booklet to Year 6 pupils</p>
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(b)	What are you doing to help people find out about Jesus?	No Practice Nativity Service Christingle Services Crib Service Good Friday Activity Morning and Service Alternative Halloween Celebration Inviting local Primary Schools into Church at Christmas and Easter Gateholme Care Home Fellowship Group
(c)	What are you doing to help grow people in discipleship?	6 week Start Group for adults 6 week Start Group for young people Lent Groups Monthly spirituality group for the Benefice called Lifeboat
(d)	What are you doing to grow people in leadership?	
2(a)	Please give details of the support of the Church (not individual members) for work overseas:	Regular Donations are made to: - Christian Aid, Tear Fund, SAMS Esperanza, USPG, Self Help Africa, MAF, Bwasi Parish - Mara
(b)	How much is given annually?	£2,700
3(a)	Give details of the support for home missions and charities:	Papyrus UK, Wakefield Hospice, Forget Me Not Hospice, Bible Society, Alzheimer's UK, Red Cross, Teenage Cancer Trust, Clothing Bank, Women's Refuge, Community Awareness Project, CROSS Project, Christian Against Poverty, British Legion, Local Food Bank
(b)	How much is given annually?	£4,621
4(a)	Does the parish have an overseas link?	Yes
(b)	If so, please state where/who?	Bwasi Parish in Mara Diocese in Tanzania
5(a)	Is there an organised system of outreach and welcome to new families?	Benefice Baptism visiting team being set up Text families who have been to events and asked to be informed of forthcoming events in church Cheeky Cherubs

(b)	If so, please describe:	Cheeky Cherubs is a toddler group welcoming families into church, engaging with them and inviting them to church services and events. A number of children have been baptised as a result
6.	What part does the church play in community care?	Monthly service at Gateholme Care Home for those with Special Needs Forget-Me-Not Friendship Group supporting those who are bereaved and lonely Benefice MAPP's Men's Group Collect in church for the local Foodbank
7(a)	Are there any Lay Eucharistic Assistants who take communion to the sick?	No
(b)	If so, who are they?	
8.	What work does the church undertake with young people, other than in church-based organisations (eg open youth work)?	Young People's Drop-In for Year's 7 – 11 as they pass the church on their way home from High School Gift a copy of 'It's Your Move', transition booklet, to Year 6 pupils in three primary schools Church Parade for Uniformed organisations who meet in the Church Hall Two local Primary Schools came into church before Christmas and one is coming to 'Experience Easter' before the holidays

## V. Ecumenical Relations

1(a)	State involvement in local Council of Churches:	
(b)	Is there a formal covenant with any other denomination?	No
2.	What informal ecumenical contacts are there?	Work with Wrenthorpe Methodist Church



		<p>during Christian Aid Week</p> <p>Join for services with the Methodists during Holy Week including a service on Good Friday on 'The Green'</p> <p>Occasionally join with the Methodists for our Sunday morning service. They come to us or we go to them!</p>
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## VI. Church Education and Social Provision

1(a)	Name of Church School(s) if applicable:	N/A
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aided?</li> <li>Controlled?</li> <li>Foundation?</li> </ul>	
(c)	Number of pupils on roll (approx)?	
(d)	If aided, does the PCC support the school?	

## VII. Lay Education and Participation

1.	<p>What education and training work takes place in the Church for the following (give approx. numbers):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children</li> <li>Young People</li> <li>Adults</li> </ul>	<p>Safeguarding Training – Everyone working with children, young people and vulnerable adults</p> <p>First Aid Training - eight</p>
2(a)	Give details of house/prayer groups:	<p>Join with other churches in the Benefice for monthly prayer group – Lifeboat</p> <p>Women of Substance – monthly group for women of the Benefice</p> <p>Lent Groups</p>
(b)	Are the leaders clergy or lay?	Lay
3(a)	How do you rate the strength of lay leadership?	Strong and varied

(b)	To what do you credit this strength, or lack of it?	Lay leadership in the Benefice is encouraged to work in all the parishes of the Benefice. This results in a good deal of variation of skills and presentation to the congregations
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## VIII. Mission

1.	List areas of Church life which you consider in need of development.	<p>Intergenerational Worship</p> <p>Weekly House Groups</p> <p>Young Family Ministry A more coherent approach to preaching/teaching themes to be offered to congregations. The approach at the moment is to follow the lectionary without any sort of corporate discernment as to what the spirit might be saying to the Benefice/parishes. We have an aging congregation who need encouragement to discern their gifting and then to engage with others</p>
2.	What are the main areas of mission that you think the new priest should prioritise in their ministry?	<p>Developing Youth Work and Youth Ministry – from Drop-In to faith</p> <p>Prayer and Spirituality for all</p>
3.	In summary, what are the top three challenges with which you and the new priest need to engage?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop and implement the vision for the North Wakefield Benefice</li> <li>2. Encouraging and nurturing lay leadership by building up the faith of those within the church</li> <li>3. Developing children's and young people's ministry</li> </ol>

## **IX. Additional Information**

*Please add here, or on another sheet, anything else which you would like the Patron and the Bishop to know about the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish.*

## **X. The New Priest**

*List the qualities and skills you would like to see in the new priest.*

A spiritual leader, who is filled with the Holy Spirit and will help us to develop our faith and lead us in mission and outreach into our local communities. Although we are comfortable with our individual styles of worship, we are open to changes that enhance our fellowship.

- Keen to be part of developing and implementing a vision for the North Wakefield Benefice.
- A real team player, someone who along with the leadership team of the benefice can help us build our United Benefice, allowing the Churches to develop together whilst keeping their own individual identities.
- Somebody who recognises that the whole people of God have a part to play in the life and ministry of their church and across the benefice.
- Understanding of the younger members of our community and have the ability to help us develop our youth, young family ministry and school links.
- Someone who can appreciate and feel comfortable in different styles of worship.
- Someone who has a passion for community outreach.
- Somebody who is approachable, adaptable, has a genuine sense of fun and is hard working and careful to protect time off.
- Is sympathetic to the history and tradition of our churches

Agreed by the PCC of

.....Wrenthorpe St. Anne's.....

on .....Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025.....

Signed: .....

Print Name: .....Mrs Jacqueline Grundy.....

Office Held: .....PCC Secretary.....

This form, duly completed, should be sent to:

***The Mission and Pastoral Secretary  
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She will circulate copies to the Patron and Bishop

**Please also send a copy directly to the Archdeacon's office**

***Please keep copies of this form  
and ensure that all PCC members have a signed copy.***