

DIOCESE OF LEEDS

Vicar of the Parish of Meltham Christ the King

Role Description

1. Details of Post

Role Title: Vicar of the Parish of Meltham Christ the King
Deanery: Almondbury Deanery
Episcopal Area: Huddersfield EA
Initial point of contact: Archdeacon of Halifax

2. Role Purpose

General

- To share with the Bishop both in the cure of souls and in responsibility, under God, for “building confident Christians, growing churches and transforming communities”;
- To have regard to the calling and responsibilities of the clergy as described in the Canons, the Ordinal, the Code of Professional Conduct for the Clergy and other relevant legislation including safeguarding;
- To collaborate within the deanery and episcopal area in mission and ministry and to seek opportunities for sharing resources with other local benefices;
- To develop the ministry of the laity, through training, delegation, encouragement and support so that they have greater involvement in the mission and ministry of the benefice;
- To ensure that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care is provided across the churches of the benefice so that people are more able to live and grow as Disciples of Christ;
- To seek ecumenical cooperation wherever possible;
- To gain a good working understanding of the Diocese and the support it provides;
- To encourage Christian stewardship of people's time, money and abilities so that the ministry of the church is strengthened and enabled;

Specific

The next vicar will be:

- **A Spiritual Leader**, envisioning and empowering the congregations for mission and ministry, happy to delegate and committed to nurturing the contribution of others.
- **A Godly Visionary** – taking the churches forward in vision and growth
- **A Creative Leader** – leading different styles of worship confidently and prayerfully
- **A People Person** – willing and able to minister to people of all ages and backgrounds

In return we offer:

- A gifted team of ministers lay and ordained
- Four churches who value their distinctiveness but who also work together to cooperate in God's mission
- Excellent relationships ecumenically, in the community and with local schools

Special Note:

There are two church schools Meltham CE (VC) Primary) and Helme CE (VA) Infant and Junior .

This is a united parish with one PCC which meets four times a year and four DCCs which manage the day to day running of each church.

Key Contacts

The Area Bishop – The Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Gibbs

The Archdeacon – The Ven Dr Anne Dawtry

The Area Dean - The Revd Mark Zammit

To be reviewed 6 months after commencement of the appointment, and at each Ministerial Development Review, alongside the setting of objectives.