

# Role Description

Vicar – Everton St George



**Signed off by:** Archdeacon of Liverpool  
**Date:** February 2018

## Details of the post

**Role title:** Vicar  
**Name of benefice:** Everton St George  
**Deanery:** Liverpool North  
**Archdeaconry:** Liverpool

Initial point of contact on Clergy Terms of Service: The Diocesan Secretary

*Please note that this Role Description focuses on the particular needs and opportunities in the Parish of Everton St George. It should be read and understood in conjunction with the Bishop's Statement and the parish profile and, for the successful candidate, alongside the Bishop's formal letter of appointment.*

*This Role Description will be reviewed annually at the Ministerial Development Review (MDR) and may be updated subsequent to the MDR to reflect important changes in the ministry of the parish priest and the context of that ministry, including wider responsibilities in the diocese. Significant changes to this role description should be agreed with the church wardens in consultation with the PCC and with the area dean and signed off by the archdeacon.*

## Archdeacon's Statement

St George's Everton is a welcoming community with a vision to be a "Beacon Of Faith – Living & Loving Like Jesus". St George's building is Grade I listed and a visible landmark in the city located at the highest point of Liverpool and also known as 'the Iron Church' referring to the cast iron components used in construction.

Everton is an area of acute social deprivation and the parish is placed within the most deprived category of the Index of Multiple Deprivation. This presents both great opportunities and challenge for mission and ministry. The next vicar of St George's will be open to the leading and gifts of the Holy Spirit to lead this parish in sharing welcome, love and worship caring for both the spiritual and practical needs of people in the parish.

St George's has deep and active links with the Beacon CE Primary School and have achieved both the Church School Partnership and Child Friendly Church Awards highlighting the quality of their children's ministry.

## **Role Responsibilities**

A priest shares with the Bishop both the privilege and responsibility of oversight within the Church and is charged with leading God's people in the offering of praise, the proclamation of the gospel, the celebration of the sacraments and the mission of God. This privilege and responsibility will be exercised with due regard to servant leadership, mutual ministry and personal example and a commitment to maintaining and developing personal spirituality and wellbeing

Entrusted with the inheritance of faith in St George's a priest is also charged to be faithful in the stewardship of church finances; the mutuality of parish share which underpins ministry and mission in our diocese; oversight of church governance; care of the church building and PCC property, and encouraging the vocation of God's people to discern their vocation and to exercise their ministry, lay and ordained. The outworking of this charge will include the following:

## **Vision, mission and purpose**

- Building on the heritage and history of St George's and existing ministries, be open to new initiatives.
- Through collaboration and relationship lead the community in ministry and outreach.

## **Leadership, collaboration and releasing lay ministry**

- Nurture and develop the network of volunteers
- Identify, nurture and release lay ministry creating a culture where every member of the congregation is a partner in mission and evangelism.

## **Welcome and nurture**

- Continue to deepen the warmth and breadth of welcome within the church community
- Ensure good pastoral support and care is offered to the community along with caring management of occasional offices.
- Managing, resourcing and supporting the staff team.

## **Reflecting, learning and change**

- Through the gift of listening to all discern ways to develop ministries which particularly serve the needs of working age and older people.

## **Actively engaging with the wider community**

- Build closer relationships with other parishes in the deanery and ecumenical partners.
- Cultivate existing links and build new links within the wider Everton Community.

## **Actively engaging children and young people**

- Maintain and extend relationships with local schools especially with The Beacon CE Primary.
- Encourage and grow the involvement of children and young people in the life of the community

## **Other key tasks**

- To manage parish finances effectively
- Utilise the significant heritage of the building as an asset for mission and ministry.