

# **Diocese of Manchester**

## 'a worshipping, growing and transformative Christian presence at the heart of every community'

Role Description signed off by: The Archdeacon of Bolton/Salford

Date:

To be reviewed 6 months after commencement of the appointment, and after three years

## 1. Details of Post

Role Title: Incumbent

Name of benefice(s): Bolton-le-Moors, St Peter w St Philip

Deanery: Bolton Archdeaconry: Bolton

Initial point of contact on terms of service: The Archdeacon of Bolton and Salford

## 2. Role Purpose

#### General

- i. To exercise the cure of souls shared with the bishop in this parish in collaboration with your colleagues
- ii. 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.
- iii. To work to advance the Kingdom of God through servant leadership, collaboration and example, and with particular regard to the current diocesan mission vision and mission goals
  - a) **Growing -** growing new disciples in missionary church communities which are younger, more diverse, active and spiritually engaged
  - b) **Nurturing -** increasing vocations, nurturing new and existing disciples, increasing financial giving
  - c) **Serving** -present for all, speaking and acting prophetically for justice, supporting pastorally especially the vulnerable, deprived and excluded
- iv. To share in the wider work of the mission community, deanery and diocese as appropriate, for the building up of the whole Body of Christ

### **Specific**

To build up the faith of the Church:

- By developing and harnessing the gifts of congregation members and working collaboratively with both lay and ordained
- By modelling a vibrant relationship with Jesus that shows pastoral care, good and lively teaching and preaching that helps the congregations grow in number and depth
- By being able to maintain the inheritance from the past and lead confidently into new mission opportunities that God is opening up
- By being an inclusive leader able to share a vision which respects the past, cares for existing congregations, but genuinely looks outwards and motivate others to meet its practical demands.
- By supporting and developing ministry amongst children and young people through a passion for school's ministry
- By being an open-hearted and welcoming priest in whom others will place their trust
- By being an engaged citizen of Bolton and able to support the life of the town and its people, not least in its civic functions

## 3. Key contacts

#### **Generic**

The Churchwardens and PCCs with the Benefice. Team Readers.
Team ALM's.

#### **Specific**

The Head Teacher, Governing Bodies, and staff of Bolton Parish Church C of E Primary school; Bishop Bridgeman C of E Primary; Archbishop Temple Multi-Academy Trust; Canon Slade School

### **Supportive**

Area Dean: Simon Cook The Archdeacon: Rachel Mann

The Suffragan Bishop: Matthew Porter

# 4. Role context and any other relevant information.

The benefice of St Peter's and St Philip's, Bolton le Moors, sits within the Bolton Central Mission Community, a newly formed group of fifteen churches located in the town centre and to its west. St Peter's has strong civic links and connections with many charities and other organisations. It has an incumbent status priest known as the Hulme Lecturer, paid for by the Hulme Lectureship Trust. It is built on the site of Christian worship going back over 1000 years. The benefice

strongly embraces the diocesan vision to be a 'worshipping, growing and transforming Christian presence at the heart of every community'. Bolton Parish Church (St Peter's) is a gathered congregation who especially are drawn to its choral tradition; however, recent growth has been marked by a growing number of asylum seekers and refugees who have joined the congregation. Its mission statement is 'Worshipping God, loving one another, serving our town.' St Philip's was built in 1911 on the site of the old tin chapel. Its local population is very diverse and multi-faith. It has very strong links with Bishop Bridgeman C of E Primary school. The parish has strong links with other C of E schools and trusts including Canon Slade School. The holder of this benefice is expected to be an ex-officio governor and trustee of a number of schools and charities.