

Dear Potential Applicant,

I'm delighted to share with you the opportunity to join our team here at Holy Trinity, Tarleton and St. Mary the Virgin, Rufford, as our new Ignite Youth Worker.

Our churches are located in the heart of beautiful Lancashire, serving the vibrant communities of Tarleton, Rufford, and the surrounding villages. We have a growing ministry to children and young people, with programs like Diamond Disciples for younger children, Impact 412 for our teens, and regular activities in our local primary and secondary schools.



Our clergy team consists of myself, Rev'd Canon Mark Soady, appointed as Rector in March 2020 during the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, and Fr. Joe Kochanski, our Curate. Together, we are dedicated to shepherding this community, nurturing faith, and reaching out to the local area. Before becoming the parish priest here, I served as the Area Dean and Vicar of Abergavenny & Rector of Llanwenarth Citra. I also have a background in psychiatric nursing and founded the Hollywell Community. My previous experience includes working in the Royal Army Chaplain's Department during which time I worked with both young soldiers and teenagers in the Army Cadet Force. I was founding Chaplain at the University of Wales (Newport).

Fr. Joe brings a wealth of pastoral experience and has a deep commitment to supporting young people and families in their spiritual journeys. Together, we lead this community with a heart for outreach and growth.

At the heart of our mission and witness is the worship of God. In fulfilling the commandments of Jesus Christ, we seek to be a Eucharist-centred community where people of all ages are able to participate fully in the Body of Christ.

This is a community where we desire to see people grow in their faith, deepen their connection with Jesus, and actively serve in the world around them.



To connect with more children and families and give them opportunities to encounter Jesus, we need someone who feels called to this ministry and has the passion, skills, and personality to step in and lead our children's and family work. While we're not expecting perfection or years of experience, we are looking for someone with a heart for children, families, and Jesus—someone who is ready to make an impact and be part of our community's growth.

We are truly blessed with a strong foundation for youth ministry, and we are excited to see the impact a dedicated Ignite Youth Worker will have. With your passion for Christ and youth ministry, you will have the opportunity to help us reach more young people and families in the community, build new relationships, and grow the ministry even further.

We have an ambitious vision for the future: to see young people actively participating in church life, being disciplined, and growing as followers of Jesus.



We are excited to see how God is calling you to bring your creativity, experience, and energy to develop new initiatives, deepen relationships with schools, and help our children's, youth and families ministry thrive.

If you are someone who has a heart for young people, a passion for helping them grow in their faith, and a desire to be part of a Eucharist-centred church, we would love to hear from you. We are prayerfully excited to see how God will use you in this role, and we look forward to welcoming a new member to our team.

If you'd like to find out more about the church, parish, diocese, vision, or me, you are so welcome to get in contact and/or arrange to visit us in person. I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours in Christ,

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