



YOUTH, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORKER

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BENEFICE OF BALBY AND WADWORTH WITH LOVERSALL

This post covers the Benefice of Balby, St John the Evangelist and Wadworth, St John the Baptist with St Katherine, Loversall. The Benefice covers a wide ranging urban and rural demographic area in West Doncaster.

We welcome all people to our church services whether young or old. Our mission is to present Christ's message, and by our example to share His love in service to the community; to grow through prayer, worship, teaching and friendship; and to bring people closer to God and to each other.

We have already benefited from having a Centenary Project Worker for the last four years which has re-ignited youth work in the Benefice. The Benefice is fully committed to advancing God's mission to children, young people and families; we wish to build upon the youth work, develop the existing tea-time family service and look to start a community based messy church.

We are looking for a committed Christian, with experience in youth and/or children's work, who will develop and co-ordinate the youth, children and families work in the church and community.

20
Hours per
week.

£11.4k
Per annum

**Generous
Employer
Contribution
to Pension**

3
Year initial
contract

Employment Details

- The post covers the Benefice of St John the Evangelist Balby, St Katherine Loversall and St John's Wadworth but some travel within the wider Diocese will be expected.
- The post is part time and will require evening and weekend work.
- The role reports to vicar(s) in parish and the Centenary Project.

What we Need You To Do

The main responsibilities of the role are:

- 1 To develop and oversee the work with children, families and young people, in the Benefice
- 2 To coordinate and develop a team of volunteers to oversee the work with young people, children and families and to play an active role in the staff team.
- 3 To be a member of the Centenary Project Worker Network

Application Information

Closing Date: Monday 24th August (noon)

Interview Date: Wednesday 9th September 2020



Who We Are Looking For

It is a genuine requirement that the post-holder should be a communicant member of the Church of England or a full member of a Church within Churches Together in Britain and Ireland.

We need someone who:

- To deliver and develop the existing weekly discipleship group in Balby and to extend this to young people across the benefice.
- To deliver the existing weekly outreach group in Balby alongside a team of volunteers.
- To attend the termly Centenary Project Doncaster Youth Hub events.
- Working with the existing team, to take responsibility for the delivery of the fortnightly tea-time family service at Wadworth
- To build on and develop relationships with local primary and secondary schools, in particular to strengthen links with the Carr Lodge school on Woodfield Plantation and Dominion Estates.
- To identify and recruit a team of volunteers to help establish a Messy Church or equivalent in the Woodfield Plantation and Dominion Estates
- To work with the existing team of volunteers to ensure that Sunday morning youth and children's activities are well resourced, engaging and age appropriate.
- To be present in a working capacity three Sundays a month to visit, assist, and/or lead the groups in each parish as necessary (according to need and priority in each church family).
- Equip the churches to welcome children and young people.
- Make connections and build relationships with families in the community.
- Identify skills and talents relevant to children, youth and families work, within the congregation, and to nurture and develop these gifts, building on the team of volunteer leaders.
- Comply with relevant safeguarding and health and safety guidelines, including ensuring compliance by other youth leaders and completing appropriate risk assessments.
- Meet on a monthly basis with other Youth and Children's Workers in the Centenary Project network for learning and support.
- As a member of the Centenary Project Network, set achievable objectives and record measured outcomes.

Further Information

For more details, including a full person specification or application form, please contact:

Info@centenaryproject.org.uk or

07936923877

And for more info about the Church and the Centenary Project, please check:

www.onekathtwojohns.church/
www.centenaryproject.org.uk



Effectively engage, grow and disciple a new generation of young people, children and families.

What is the Centenary Project?

Our vision is to equip local churches, enabling them to effectively engage, nurture and disciple a new generation of children, young people and families.

We employ workers in parishes or groups of parishes where a significant difference can be made, and have a bias towards more deprived areas; aiming to help those parishes who wouldn't be able to appoint without our help.



Our projects will always focus on mission and not maintenance as we work toward sustainable posts with strategic objectives.

Posts become part of a network that operates like a family; helping each other out in individual churches, sharing resources and working together.

How Does the Centenary Project Work?

Over the last 15 years the trend has been that youth workers and children's workers leave their jobs for a number of reasons;

- Lack of objectives - unclear what their role is
- Poor line management - incumbents unskilled in managing staff and volunteers
- Too inward looking - not enough mission-focus
- Overworked and underpaid - feeling unappreciated and unvalued
- No support or network to draw on
- Money runs out - not forward thinking past initial grant

The Centenary Project is tackling all of these issues head on, and seeing workers commit for the long-term, happy in their work, feeling supported and encouraged by the network, seeing a future in youth or children's ministry and feeling secure in the funding arrangements.



How Are Centenary Project Workers Supported?

Support for workers is essential.

The help, guidance and encouragement we continually provide to our workers is the foundation upon which we have achieved the success of our project to date.

We work with parishes, incumbents, the Diocese and other workers and team members to provide each of the following areas of support and opportunities for ongoing growth;

