

## **JD for the Estates Missioner Role at St Thomas' Clapton Common**

Position: Estates Apprentice

Location: St Thomas' Stamford Hill and through CCX cohort training

Duration: 2-year Apprenticeship with the potential to extend subject to funding.

This role is open now until Oct 27 but the course begins on 12 Jan 2026

Salary: Your salary will be set at £26,936 which is 35 hours work pw. This is at the hourly rate set by the London Living Wage (£14.80 in Nov 2025) and will rise after the new level is set each November. This will be paid in twelve equal payments, in arrears, into your bank account by credit transfer each month. These amount to £2244 pcm.

### **Context**

According to the Indices of Multiple Deprivation issued in Oct 25, St Thomas parish is in the 1% of the most deprived neighbourhoods in England in terms of income. We live alongside the largest Hassidic community in Europe but close to areas of gentrification in Stoke Newington and Clapton. St Thomas' itself is a growing Anglo Catholic church, drawing on the ascetical practices of the Christian Wisdom tradition. We have recently launched a new practice community (see [www.omegaclapton.org](http://www.omegaclapton.org)). We are also on a journey of re-covenanting with our neighbourhood. Through our sister charity, Clapton Commons, we host a successful weekly social club on Wednesday in our newly regenerated Undercroft. Clapton Commons also supports a community choir, a gardening club, a tenants' club and an advocacy service – see [www.claptoncommons.org](http://www.claptoncommons.org)

### **Role Overview:**

We want our Estates Apprentice to help the congregation discern the work of the Holy Spirit in our local communities, particularly amongst low-income residents who live on the housing estates. The post holder will embark on a two-year journey to learn and grow in ministry within an estate or low-income community (LIC). You will gain hands-on experience in planting and leading a New Worshipping Community (NWC). Alongside practical ministry, you'll engage in cohort-based learning and personal formation, equipping you to develop thriving Christian communities in estate contexts. This will be with CCX and will be roughly the equivalent to a day a week.

### **Purpose of the Role**

We envisage that there are various ways in which you will pursue estate based ministry through St Thomas' Church, including:

- Working through Clapton Commons and its outreach projects and partnerships
- Developing, with others, quality after-school provision in our newly refurbished undercroft,
- Shaping our Children and Families' ministry provision, not least through "home holiness practices"

### **Wider Responsibilities**

This role will also bring with it some wider responsibilities:

- Complete the CCX training in Estates Mission and attend the Stepney Estates Round Tables
- Participate in the team meetings and the shared ministry of the church (Alpha, preaching)
- Receive mentoring and training, with scope to discern wherever God is calling you next

### **How to Apply:**

To apply for the Estates Apprentice role, please submit your application form, outlining your interest in this ministry, along with any relevant experience that demonstrates your suitability for this unique apprenticeship opportunity to Fr William Taylor at [vicar@saintthomasclapton.org](mailto:vicar@saintthomasclapton.org)