

# DIOCESE OF LEEDS

## Role Description

### 1. Details of Post

<i>Role Title:</i>	Vicar
<i>Name of benefice:</i>	United Benefice of All Saints' Darton and St John the Evangelist Staincross
<i>Deanery:</i>	Barnsley
<i>Archdeaconry:</i>	Pontefract
<i>Initial point of contact on terms of service:</i>	Archdeacon of Pontefract

### 2. Role Purpose

#### General

- To share with the Bishop both in the cure of souls and in responsibility, under God, for transforming lives, congregations and communities in this United Benefice with reference to any current priorities established by the bishop.
- To be the Vicar of this United Benefice, having 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.
- To collaborate within the deanery in mission and ministry and, through the deanery plan, in such reshaping of ministry as resources and opportunities may require.
- To develop the ministry of the laity, through training, delegation, encouragement and support so that they have greater involvement in the mission and ministry of the United Benefice.
- To work with the PCCs and fellow clergy towards the development of the local churches as described in the PCC's transformational plan, and to review that vision with them.
- To ensure that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care is provided so that people are more able to live and grow as disciples of Christ.
- To seek ecumenical cooperation wherever possible.
- To gain a good working understanding of the Diocese and the support it provides.
- To encourage Christian stewardship of people's time, money and abilities so that the ministry of the church is strengthened and enabled.
- Whilst maintaining a distinctively Christian witness, to make new positive links and develop the existing links with community and external organisations based in the parish, so that full use is made of opportunities for outreach and service to the community.

### 3. Specific

- To continue bringing the Parishes together and develop collaborative ways of working together
- To continue in helping to realise the benefits of being a United Benefice
- To continue giving the United Benefice and people a renewed vision of what it means locally, given the distinctive qualities of the two Parishes, to proclaim and model the Kingdom of God.

#### 4. Key contacts

- The Churchwardens, Parish Officers and members of the PCCs
- The Area Bishop
- The Archdeacon
- The Area Dean

#### 5. Role context and any other relevant information

- The United Benefice is an exciting recent development in this part of the Barnsley Deanery began in September 2015.
- A tremendous opportunity to galvanise the people in the communities which make up these Parishes to work together in a new and vibrant way and build upon local enthusiasm and energy.

#### 6. Benefice summary

Parish: United Benefice of All Saints' Darton and St John the Evangelist Staincross

Churches:	2
PCCs:	2
Churchwardens:	4
Clergy:	1 Assistant Curate and 1 retired SSM
Buildings:	Church Hall at Darton and a Church hall at Staincross
Churchyards:	2
Population:	Darton: 21,000. Staincross: 10,000
Parish Share:	Darton £32,432. Staincross £24,910
Expenses:	Reasonable expenses reimbursed in full
Resolutions:	None
Church tradition:	Liberal Catholic/Central
Pastoral Reorganisation:	See comments under role context

*Role description signed off by:* The Archdeacon of Pontefract

Date:

To be reviewed 6 months after commencement of the appointment, and at each Ministerial Development Review, alongside the setting of objectives.