

DIOCESE OF GLASGOW AND GALLOWAY

Scottish Episcopal Church



From the Bishop: The Right Reverend Kevin Pearson

Dear Applicant,

It is my joy to welcome you to think and pray about applying for this post of Priest-in-Charge of St John the Evangelist's Stranraer and St Ninian's Portpatrick

This role is being advertised as a 3 year post which would be extended to 5 years if it was felt that the work was going well at the halfway point.

These two Charges are seeking to discern where God is calling them in ministry and outreach in the coming years. Portpatrick and Stranraer are different places, each with its own particular feel and ethos. During the coming years they are trying to discern how God is calling them to be Church in these places and respond to the call of the Spirit in outreach and service to the local area and peoples.

Stranraer has a very contemporary suite of rooms and modern facilities which are popular with many different groups in the town; whilst Portpatrick has an intimate building which has a vision for ministry bigger than its footprint. Each of these Charges has a desire to see the work of the Church grow in their communities and need priestly leadership to help them in this process drawing upon the spiritual depths of the Anglican tradition here in the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Across the diocese I have been developing a support network for clergy in all posts, and especially those priests who come to us from outside Scotland to enable them to learn and develop an understanding and appreciation of our Scottish Episcopalian ways and traditions. Supporting clergy in their calling is central to my role as the bishop, and a network of Pastoral Supervisors has been established to help develop reflective practise in ministry as well as encourage ongoing development and formation. Supported by and working with neighbouring priests you would not feel isolated or alone in ministry.

As you consider this post please read the profiles, and watch the video that has been made for you to learn more about the Charges.

If you would like an informal conversation, please contact me bishop@glasgow.anglican.org and I will be pleased to spend some time speaking with you about this post as you consider your application.

With all good wishes and prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as you consider applying for this post.

With every good wish



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