

## **St. Matthew and St. Nathanael, Bristol**

### **Introduction**

- Thank you for your enquiry into this position. The following notes provide some background to St Matthew's Church and the employment conditions. A job description and person specification for the post in question are provided in separate documents.

### **Background to the Church**

- St. Matthew's is an Anglican parish church, close to the centre of Bristol, whose parish covers Kingsdown and parts of Cotham and Redland. We are a diverse group of people who come together to worship God and to encourage each other in the faith we share.
- The responsibility for the life and worship of St Matthew's rests with the vicar, the churchwardens and the Parochial Church Council (PCC). St Matthew's currently has no vicar in post but it is anticipated that a new appointment will be made in the course of 2018. In the intervening period the churchwardens have day to day responsibility. The PCC is the employer of this postholder. The postholder will be responsible on a day to day basis to the churchwardens and in due course to the new vicar once appointed.

### **Our Faith, Ourselves, Our Church**

- As Christians we believe that we are pilgrims on the journey of faith. On this journey we are being drawn by God ever into deeper love for him as we come to know more of his immense love for us. God shows us this love through the life and teaching, the death and resurrection of his son, Jesus Christ. Jesus offers us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of salvation.
- In turn we are to show that love in care and service for the world God has created, and for all people. We believe too that we are encouraged and enabled on this journey by the Holy Spirit, who is the power of God at work in the world.

### **Conditions of service**

- We are committed to good employment practice and work hard to develop a culture of openness, commitment and support.
- The specific conditions for this post are as follows:
  - Salary: £10,000pa (£20,000 full time equivalent)
  - Hours: 20 hours per week (50% full time equivalent) – to be spread over the working week
  - Holiday: 18 working days inclusive of usual English Bank and Public Holidays (50% of 36 days, being 28 ordinary working days plus 8 English Bank and Public Holidays)
  - Term: Initial fixed term of 12 months for review (and possible extension) following appointment of new Vicar

Thank you for expressing an interest in the work of St Matthew's. We look forward to hearing from you. Please send your completed application form to:

*The Churchwardens, St Matthew's Church, Clare Road, Bristol BS6 5TB or electronically to [warden1@stmatthews-bristol.org.uk](mailto:warden1@stmatthews-bristol.org.uk) and [pcc@stmatthews-bristol.org.uk](mailto:pcc@stmatthews-bristol.org.uk)*