

Scottish Episcopal Church
United Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway
St Cyprian's, Lenzie
Priest Profile

We are looking for a warm and compassionate priest who is comfortable leading a team of lay people to achieve spiritual and numerical growth in the congregation.

The person would be sensitive to the diversity in the congregation and would strive to keep everyone engaged in the life of the church. In particular, we would expect to see our priest being sympathetic to these aspirations:

1. Church style that is "Middle-of-the-Road"
2. Empathy for the Liturgy and an appreciation of the power of music to enhance worship.
3. Commitment to Ecumenism
4. Hands on both spiritually and practically
5. Pro-active and enterprising with flexibility and sensitivity to build on existing talents and take us forward.
6. Imaginative and innovative with the ability to develop new ideas and to engage in the growth of our church family and stabilising our future.

The priest would build on what we see as positive aspects of our current life:

1. A warm and welcoming atmosphere
2. Inclusive approach to worship with participation encouraged
3. Core services well directed with music a critical part of their structure
4. Positive approach to outreach and ecumenism

They would also be keen to rectify what we see as negative:

1. Spiritual life that is 'treading water' and in need of refreshment
2. Financial position that is trending towards deficit

Success would be characterised by 'Our Church in five years' being:

1. Secure and comfortable with a church style that suits everyone and embraces a stable (preferably growing) congregation
2. Comfortably adapted to changing views and to the requirements of any younger members
3. Able to have Pastoral care fully restored
4. Fully embedded and more completely integrated within the local community.
5. Engaged in expanded ecumenical activities and closer ties with other local church congregations
6. A base for a flourishing Mother's Union and "Music at St.Cyprian's"
7. In a secure financial position with all the resources that ensure a bright future