



BEACON PROJECT SR5

Listening, Learning & Lighting the Way

Families Chaplain

Are you a committed Christian who loves seeing people of all ages grow in faith and confidence?

Do you have a soft spot for profound theological questions and interesting observations from 5 year olds?

Are you a people-oriented person who is able to connect with folk of all ages and find common ground?

Do you struggle to sit through church if it isn't interactive?

Do you value the opportunity to pray and worship through sound and silence, craft and cake?

If so, you might be just who we're looking for to join our team at *The Beacon Project: SR5*. In partnership with the Parish of North Wearside, we hope *The Beacon Project: SR5* will result in a series of locally authentic and evolving, sustainable church activities and practices for all ages, that will increase our value to, and relationships with, our community in North Wearside, Sunderland.

The Family Chaplain's key purpose is to facilitate and nurture the discipleship of children and families in the Parish of North Wearside building on established provision and developing it further. You will create, develop and lead, a contextually appropriate program of activity and events, to engage children and families in following Jesus and growing a personal faith. You will develop relationships and seek to involve and engage families more fully in the life of the church whilst developing appropriate expressions of worship for, and with, them. You will also work closely with grandparents and the wider family unit, with a specific focus on developing our parish support for the isolated and bereaved. As part of your role you will be involved in recruiting and training a team of local volunteers to support the delivery of the Beacon Project activities.

This is a role that is inwardly focused on the church community but with a missional mind-set.

Hours: 16 hours, assumed over 4 days

Salary: £9.50/hour

Work base: Office space at Holy Trinity, Southwick

Length of contract: four years initially, with a view to extend depending on funding

Whilst there is some flexibility available, we expect the post to be worked over four days a week, including Sundays and occasional evenings.

For further information and an application pack please go to www.northwearsideparish.com

You are invited to contact the ordained lead of *The Beacon Project*, the Rev'd Chantal Noppen on 07504 560249 for an informal chat about the role.

Deadline: 6pm on August 15th submitted electronically to beaconprojectsr5@gmail.com or by post to The Team Rectory, Rotherham rd., Redhouse, Sunderland, SR5 5QS.

Interviews are scheduled for the week beginning August 31st