



Dear Applicant

As vicar of St Mary's Church in Beverley, I would like to thank you for your interest in this exciting opportunity to join our team as we seek to 'Make Disciples'.

St Mary's Church is a thriving community seeking to 'Make Disciples'. In the last few years we have been blessed as the number of those coming to St Mary's for worship has more than doubled. In order to reach out, we have planted two new lively congregations and strengthened our team, we have developed 'Discipleship Groups' and have established an excellent ministry with children. All this work has been grounded in real hope is that '*being rooted and established in love*' those we encounter may come to know '*how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ*' (Ephesians 3.18)

This post expresses this hope – it is about sharing the Good News with children and young people in our community and beyond and drawing them on in their discipleship. It is something that I and my leadership team are deeply passionate about.

As you will see from other documents in this pack we already have a small youth group and a lively children's ministry, the foundations are in place to build upon and to make connections. We have a vision for developing these areas, but we need someone who has dedicated time, enthusiasm and the right skills to take this work forward.

The post represents an opportunity to develop an outstanding youth and children's ministry in the context of a lively and growing church which will offer supportive environment for you to develop your skills and grow. It will allow you to be creative and encourage you to be brave and will lead to an exciting new chapter in the ministry of St Mary's Church.

I would welcome your application.

The Reverend Rebecca Lumley

