

Youth Leader St James Kidbrooke

Vacancy Information Pack

Closing Date: 7th July, 2023

Interview Date: 19th July, 2023



14th June, 2023

Dear Candidate,

I am delighted that you have expressed interest in the role of Youth Leader based at St James, Kidbrooke, and I hope that you will find the information provided in this pack helpful.

This is an exciting opportunity to join our new leadership team at the start of a new season as we seek to establish and grow new worshipping communities within the Kidbrooke area. We are excited by this project and hope that this will provide an opportunity for someone who is passionate about young adults and Church growth and development.

If you feel called to be part of this journey and have the necessary enthusiasm, skills and experience then we would be delighted to hear from you. Please send your CV and a covering letter to stjames.se3@gmail.com

If you would like an informal discussion about the role, then please feel free to contact Alice.

Yours sincerely,

Revd Chris Gaul chris@stpetersbrockley.org.uk





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Job Description

Job Title: Youth Leader

Salary: £14,000 per annum (£35,000 pro rata)

Employer: Diocese of Southwark

Hours: Part time, 14 hours, including Sunday's

Contract: Five years, fixed term

Base Location: St James Kidbrooke, Kidbrooke Park Rd, SE3 0DU

Reporting to: Dom Toms, Church Leader

Background: This is an exciting opportunity for a Youth Leader to play a key role in

implementing "A Fruitful Future II: Strategic growth and cultural change in the

large, diverse Diocese of Southwark."

Specific projects have been identified in places across the Diocese of Southwark where there is a clear opportunity for growth and funding has been obtained from the Church of England's Strategic Development Funding to support these projects.

One of these places is at St James, Kidbrooke (SJK), a charismatic Anglican church with a vision to bring heaven to south east London. We believe church should; feel like family, make Jesus known, be empowered by the Holy Spirit, function everyday (not just Sundays!), and impact its local area. SJK are in partnership with St. Peter's Brockley (SPB) who have recently been designated a 'Resourcing Church' and plan to plant and/or graft churches across the area.

This is an exciting time to be a part of growing team and a growing church. We are currently preparing for a church graft - which is where a group of people who either live in Kidbrooke or simply feel called by God to join SJK, will graft into the existing congregation in September 2023.

From September 2023 we will also be launching a new Sunday morning service where there will be Youth work provision for those aged 11 - 18 years old.

We want to create a place of 'home' for all young adults where they feel secure, seen and heard, discipled, and feel confident to invite their friends along.



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Job Purpose:

The purpose of this role is;

- To work closely with the Church leadership
- To run SJK's Youth work and in supporting families both in and outside the church
- To help families in the community connect into church and meet Jesus, and to provide pastoral support for families already in the church.

The role holder will also be expected to work with St. Peter's lead therapist from the Growing Hope charity to ensure all young adults with additional needs are safe and included in all that we do.

Key Relationships:

Core Leadership Team

Youth

Parish volunteers

Diocesan Project Manager and the Core Project Team

Key Responsibilities:

The role covers a wide range of tasks, which fall into the areas outlined below.

- Work closely with Greenwich Youth for Christ (GYFC) in running the weekly Jays Youth Club (JYC)
- Prayerfully develop the aforementioned JYC, into a place where our value of 'making Jesus known' is the highest priority
- Develop the Youth ministry through dynamic and effective programmes of youth work and related activities
- Organise, plan, and develop all elements of the Youth church curriculum
- Support and encourage the Youth to grow in; their faith, knowledge and understanding of being a disciple of Jesus, awareness, and capacity to live a Spirit-led life, with opportunities to practice and grow in the gifts of the Spirit and, becoming active members of the SJK church family
- Help run events such as holiday clubs and new mission and community opportunities for local children outside SJK
- Identify, recruit, train and nurture new volunteers for all Youth related activities and groups.
- Manage and provide pastoral support to Youth Church volunteers
- Ensure that volunteers and team members are sufficiently trained and have good knowledge of safeguarding policies and procedures
- Ensure that safeguarding policies are followed, and that robust safeguarding practice is fully embedded in all aspects of the youth ministry
- Ensure risk assessments are carried out for all activities
- Depending on experience role holder will take on more responsibility over time.



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Person specification

Essential

- Experience in working with young adults aged 11-18 years old.
- Ability to create a dynamic and fun environment for young adults aged 11-18 years old
- To have the heart of an evangelist and desire to reach young adults outside of the church
- Committed to the spiritual and emotional development of all the family
- Some experience of being a part of or leading group discussions
- Good with people, and ability to recruit, lead and pastor a range of volunteers
- A self-starter able to work on their own initiative and manage their own workload well
- Confident in interacting with parents and caregivers
- Adaptable to new opportunities and able to proactively engage with unexpected challenges that can occur in church life
- Good organisational skills and comfortable within a team environment
- Understand the importance of confidentiality and behave accordingly
- Computer and social media literate
- Ability to run an event from initial planning to review
- Able to work on Sundays to attend services and Tuesday's 09.30am 11am to attend staff
 meetings. The role holder will also need to be available to work key dates and events
 including Christmas services, Easter services and other special services.

It is a requirement of this role that a satisfactory Enhanced DBS check takes place before commencement.

This post is subject to an occupational requirement that the postholder be a practising Christian under part 1 of Schedule 9 of the Equality Act 2010.

We also expect that the successful candidate is an active member of St James or is prepared to become so.



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Outline terms and conditions

Normal Place of Work

St James Kidbrooke, Kidbrooke Park Road, SE3 0DU.

Employer

You will be employed by the South London Church Fund and Southwark Diocesan Board of Finance whose registered office is at Trinity House, 4 Chapel Court, Borough High Street, London SE1 1HW.

Length of contract

The post is funded for a fixed term for 5 years. We are planning for the post to be funded by SJK after the 5-year funding has elapsed.

Salary

The post has the salary of £14,000 (£35,000 per annum, pro rata.)

Probation

The appointment is subject to the satisfactory completion of a six-month probationary period.

Hours of work

14 hours per week, including Sunday's.

Holiday Entitlement

You will receive a pro rata entitlement to 26 days annual leave per annum, increasing to 31 days after 2 years' service. There is also an entitlement to 8 national bank holidays. The leave year runs from 1st January to 31st December.

Sick Pay

Sick Pay is paid at full pay and half pay rates dependent on length of service, details of which are contained in the contract of employment. Where the right to Diocesan Sick Pay has not been established or it has been exhausted, then Statutory Sick Pay provisions will apply.

Season Ticket Loan

An interest free season ticket loan is available upon satisfactory completion of the probation period.

Pension

A non-contributory pension will normally be arranged with the Church Workers' Pension Fund, currently a 15% employer's contribution.

Working Expenses

Reasonable out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed.

Termination of Employment

During the six-month probationary period one week's notice is required on either side. Thereafter you will be required to give three months notice should you wish to resign and will receive a minimum of three months' notice.

Equal Opportunities

The Diocese has a strong commitment to equal opportunities and will not discriminate on the grounds of race, nationality, age, sex, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, religion or belief. Its employees are expected to abide by the Equal Opportunities Policy which embodies these principles.

Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures

Further details would be provided in the contract of employment that would be issued on appointment.

Ineligibility for Election

Employment in this post means that you would be ineligible for election to the General Synod of the Church of England or the Southwark Diocesan Synod.