



Rector - Full Time Incumbent

Hukeley Mission Community

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Welcome

Is God calling you to consider a new challenge by ministering to a group of parishes? We are seeking a Rector for the five churches (Bampton, Clayhanger, Huntsham, Morebath and Petton) which form the Hukeley Mission Community in rural mid-Devon. Located close to the Devon/Somerset border, a few miles from the Exmoor National Park, we are part of the Exeter Diocese (Tiverton & Cullompton Deanery).

We are similar to many other parishes in the countryside. We will offer a mix of hopes and expectations, as well as a strong desire to continue to demonstrate the love of Christ within and beyond the Mission Community.

Some members of our congregations prefer traditional forms of worship, others more modern and a few would like to be more innovative. How can we respect and meet these various needs and also attract others (including young people, very few of whom attend our services) to become part of the worshipping community?

We need someone to both lead and walk alongside us in our Christian journey, and who will encourage and help us to grow as a church community as well as in our personal faith.

Please read this profile, and consider prayerfully whether this is an opportunity which you might explore further.

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Archdeacon's Foreword

Welcome and thank you for your interest in this post.

This post presents an amazing opportunity to minister in one of our fabulous multi-parish Mission Communities. This group of parishes are keen to work together, build on good foundation, but to be much more missionally minded, as they take the next step on their journey. There are challenges, similar to many of our rural communities, around older comigrations, sustainability, building and finance, but there is defiantly hope here.

We are seeking a priest with a heart for pastoral care and a desire to further mission and ministry. You will be working with a group of parishes seeking to grow in faith and discipleship. We

would hope that the right candidate will bring enthusiasm, energy and innovation to this role of incumbent and equip & encourage others.

The Rt Revd Dr Mike Harrison was made Bishop of Exeter in

November 2024 and since

his arrival has been developing the Diocesan Vision. +Mike says:

"The Diocese of Exeter's vision to grow in prayer, make new disciples and serve the people of Devon with joy has evolved over the last five years, with a widespread post-pandemic listening consultation leading to the development of the 'Next Steps' strategy to support mission communities to flourish and be sustainable for generations to come. It's a vision that fits with Jesus'



commission in Mt.28.16-20, which is authoritative for me and I'm sure for many.

*Putting flesh on the bones of the vision, I would like to articulate five particular priorities for this next season of our life together. First, **Missional Leadership**: equipping and resourcing the ordained and lay leaders of our Christian communities as best as we can to develop disciples and make new disciples. Second, developing a "**Missional DNA**" across our Christian communities, encouraging outward-looking, invitational churches, hospitable to outsiders and engaged with their wider communities. Third, cultivating an intentional **Vocational Culture** so that we are not asking whether God is calling me/us, but "To what is God calling me/us now?" Fourth, **Children & Young People** being placed at the heart of our life, mission and ministry. And fifth, a **Mixed Ecology**: understanding that we need different ways of doing and being Church. Alongside time-honoured Church we need all sorts of Christian communities which can engage with the 95% of our population who are as yet unengaged. I hope that these five priorities will become embedded at every level of our ministry going forward."*



Further information regarding our Diocesan Vision can be found at

<https://exeter.anglican.org/who-we-are/vision-strategy/>

Living in Mission Communities

Our strategy centres on Mission Communities - parishes working together to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ more effectively in Devon. The phrase Mission Communities sums up what we need to be as a Church in the 21st century: **mission-orientated, community-focused, and locally-rooted.**

Deanery & Diocese

The Hukeley Mission Community is made up of five parishes on the edge of Exmoor and centred around the small market town of Bampton. It lies on the edge of the the Archdeaconry of Exeter, and so under the care of the Bishop of Crediton. The Benefice is part the Tiverton and Cullompton Deanery and the Rural Dean is the Revd Andy Humm.

We aim to be a diverse and truly representative diocese, and particularly welcome applications from women and those from black and minority ethnic groups. Not only is Devon a beautiful place to call home, but we believe the Diocese of Exeter is a great community of which to be a part.

You are warmly invited to contact me directly if you would like a confidential conversation about the post.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Diocese.

Andrew

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Person Specification for our new Rector

We are seeking to make worship and teaching more accessible, as well as help people to develop their prayer life and discipleship as part of a church community which is focussed on mission.

To help achieve our aim, we are looking for a priest who:

- Has clear leadership skills and vision to facilitate the development of the Mission Community's work and outreach, and the ability to be challenging when necessary.
- Has an understanding or experience in, rural life and multi-parish ministry.
- Is community-focused and can build on good relations across the parishes.
- Is a good communicator with good interpersonal and listening skills.
- Is able to empower lay people (encourage their development of gifts, prayer life and involvement) and inspire volunteers
- Relates well to all age groups, from the youngest to the oldest.
- Has commitment to children, family & young people and putting them at the heart of mission and ministry.
- Is a caring pastor and creative preacher who is rooted in prayer, scriptures and worship and can enable others to explore their own discipleship
- Is able to embrace a wide range of liturgies and styles of worship, from traditional to more modern and thought provoking.
- Holds a current driving licence and access to a car due to the geographic nature and limited public transport in the Mission Community.
- Has a willingness to understand the problems of maintaining historical churches.
- Is able to work alongside the Parish Administrator.
- Will put safeguarding at the heart of all we do.

*Come and join us, we are looking for inspiration and vision
to help us grow in faith."*

Could you hold the Christ light for us?



What you can expect from us

- Friendship and prayerful support and an understanding that you need time to yourself.
- Our recognition that you will have a regular day off each week.
- Encouragement to take your annual leave in full together with a funded annual retreat.
- Our willingness to explore the way forward for our mission together.
- Regular funded administrative support.

“Welcome!

We are so glad you are looking to join us as we worship the Lord together and have fellowship. We feel that the House of God is such a special place to be here at the Hukeley Mission Community.”



Box of Blessing (Bob) outside Bampton Church

The Hukeley Mission Community

The five parishes of the Hukeley Mission Community are home to some of the most beautiful and historic churches in England. We offer a variety of worship services on Sundays, along with special festivals and events throughout the year.

Our calling to the wider community is to meet God, to hold fast to faith in Jesus, and to be motivated and strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Having worked and worshipped together for several years, the Hukeley Mission Community was formally established in 2010. The name Hukeley was chosen because Hukeley Knap lies at the centre of the Ordnance Survey map of the area.

All five churches follow a central-Anglican tradition, offering a range of worship styles — with some congregations favouring traditional services, and others embracing more modern liturgy.

The Hukeley Mission Community Council — made up primarily of the Rector and churchwardens — meets four times a year to review progress and plan future joint initiatives.

Benefice Services

On fifth Sundays, we hold a combined Mission Community Eucharist service. These services rotate among the five churches, with the style of worship reflecting the tradition of the host church. They are generally well attended, although In June 2025, we introduced Breakfast Prayer group that meets once a month on a **Saturday** morning in one of the five churches within the Mission Community. Encouraging a stronger commitment to worshipping together as a wider community remains an ongoing goal. In addition, we offer a monthly “Live@5” service in the local library, providing a more informal worship option for those who prefer a relaxed setting.

Administrative Support

The Parish Office for the Mission Community is situated in the vestry of St Michael and all Angels Church in Bampton. It is currently open on Wednesdays and by request. The Office is equipped with a laptop, large photocopier/printer, other general office equipment and run by a Parish Office Administrator. Funded administrative support is provided for 11 hours each week.

Social and Fundraising Events

Joint events are held from time to time, including Garden Parties, shared lunches and tea parties. We have raised funds for the upkeep of individual churches, Church Housing Action Team (CHAT), Christian Aid, Exeter Leukaemia Fund, Devon Air Ambulance and the Hospicecare Day Centre in Tiverton.



Ministry & Pastoral Care

Clergy and Lay Service Leaders

At present, we are supported by one retired clergy member, Revd Canon Jane Wilson, and a lay reader, Mr Nick Francombe, who both participate in our service rota. Two additional retired clergy have recently moved to Bampton, and we hope they will be able to help cover services later in the year. We are also grateful to the clergy from outside the Mission Community who are currently leading services during our vacancy. It has also just been announced that Vicky Barrett has been accepted for Licensed Lay Ministry training from September 2025.

Nick Francombe and Vicky Barrett lead the Morning Worship services in Bampton each month. Other lay members of the congregation have also led non-Eucharistic services either individually or as part of a team and are willing to do so again.

From mid-May to November 2025, we are supported by an interim part-time vicar, Revd Claire Curtis, who works in the parish office on Wednesdays and leads services on two Sundays each month.

Music and choir

We have three organists within the Mission Community who regularly play at both worship services and live events. When needed, we are also able to bring in organists from outside the Mission. Until 2022, we had a strong Benefice Choir that helped lead worship, and we hope that the new Rector will encourage the continued use of a wide variety of music in our services.

Pastoral support

Pastoral care from the Rector includes home visits for individuals especially the sick or bereaved. Links are currently being created with other agencies (for example Bampton well-being group) to address loneliness/confidence issues, via a team approach.

The town of Bampton is home to three care facilities. The Rector leads a monthly Holy Communion service at Castle Grove Nursing Home and visits residents at Barnhaven and Oak Tree House care homes upon request.



Ministry & Pastoral Care

Study and Prayer

Several groups are available across the Mission Community:

A weekly evening Home Group meets on Wednesdays for fellowship and Bible study, either at the Library and Resources Centre or in members' homes. The sessions begin with quiet time and prayer, followed by discussion on a set theme.

- In April–May 2025, we ran an Alpha Course, attended by 12 people.
- The Friday lunchtime Reading Group explores various aspects of the Christian faith.
- Lent Groups are held annually; this year's group followed the Living Hope Church of England course.

In the past year, small groups from our churches have attended residential weekends at Lee Abbey and Away Days at local venues for discussion, planning, and prayer.

"Thank you for an amazing experience which was very thought provoking. I got a great deal out of the retreat which had exactly the right balance of deep thoughts and the opportunity to relax and reflect." May 2025.



Welcome from - Bampton

Bampton is in the unusual position of being both a town (granted by Royal Charter in 1298) and a village (for planning purposes). It has a population of around 1800 and is a pleasant place in which to live. Located close to the Exmoor National Park it is within easy driving distance of the M5 Motorway and Tiverton Parkway Station (both 15 miles) and has some local bus services. Shops include two general stores, a post office counter, greengrocers and a butchers. There are five restaurants/licensed premises, two public halls offering a variety of activities, a health centre and pharmacy, a library, three care homes, a retained fire service and some light industry. Bampton Church of England Primary School is about 10 minutes' walk from the church.

The Church and Churchyard

The Grade I listed church dates mainly to the 14th and 15th century. Situated in the centre of Bampton, the building has been well maintained. Structural repairs to the south wall necessitated the removal of the Regency reredos from across the front of the east window, following temporary permission from the DAC. The congregation appreciated the additional light, which was let into the church, and applied to have the reredos placed on the west wall. This has received conditional approval. The 2024 Quinquennial Inspection indicates significant repairs are required to the roof and tower. Major fundraising exercises are planned to undertake the work involved.

The churchyard remains open although it is anticipated it will become full within the next 15 years. We pay our Parish Share request in full.

Worship, Fellowship and Teaching

Our current services are Common Worship Holy Communion (1st & 3rd Sundays, average 40 attendance) and Morning Worship – normally lay led (2nd & 4th Sundays, average 30 attendance), all at 11.00 am. Members of the congregation participate by leading intercessions and reading lessons. There are 57 on the Electoral Roll.

“The friendship, beautiful building and history.”



Welcome from - Bampton

Outreach

We hold a weekly Knit & Natter group, who have made many knitted and financial donations to charities, plus our Tuesday Coffee Mornings which attract a mix of all ages from newborn upwards. Various fundraising events include an Italian Film & Supper Evening and Two Moors Festival concerts. The church hosts a range of craft stalls during the annual Bampton Charter Fair.

Bampton United Charities (operating as Bampton Lifeline)

The Rector is an ex-officio Trustee of this small charity, which was set up many years ago to make financial grants to people living within the parish who are in need. Trustees meet as required in order to consider requests.

Friends of St. Michael's Church

The group was set up to enable visitors and residents to help support this historic building. Their work is currently in abeyance whilst we await the appointment of new officers.

Strengths and Challenges

We are a welcoming and caring church family who are involved with the wider community. However we are getting older so have fewer active volunteers or younger members, especially families with children. How can we find ways of attracting younger people whilst still continuing to meet the needs of older members of the congregation?

“The church building being used for worship and other community events.”



Welcome from - Clayhanger

The Village

Clayhanger lies close to the Somerset border in a very rural situation about 1.5 miles south of the Bampton to Taunton road (B3227). There are approximately 110 adults and 20 children in the parish. Of the working population, a portion are involved in farming, a portion are artistic and professional people work outside the village, also there are a number of retired occupants. There is a hall owned by the Women's Institute which is used for village functions.

The Church

St Peter's is sited centrally in the village. It's tower dates from the 14th Century and despite restoration of the church in the 19th Century, it still retains some interesting features, notably 16th Century pew ends. The church is generally in good condition, the recent quinquennial inspection did not show any major structural problems. A heating system was installed 15 years ago. We have a dedicated group of volunteers who arrange flowers, clean the church, read lessons and keep the churchyard tidy, they also provide refreshments on occasions.

Services

There is usually one service per month on the third Sunday at 9.30am for Holy Communion (common worship). The average congregation is 10, with special services averaging 50. We have a harvest festival service followed by lunch and sale of produce.

At Christmas time we have a Christmas tree/ Art festival concluding with a carol service. Every fifth Sunday we share a service with the Hukeley Mission. These special services help with our fundraising efforts.

Finances

The Parish share has always been paid in full. About 15 years ago we installed a heating system (£28k) paid for with a substantial bequest, various grants, and much fund-raising. At present, we are raising funds to repair the chancel floor.



"Kind and thoughtful people. A beautiful and historic church."

Prayer Breakfast in St Peter's Church



Welcome from - Hunstham

Hunstham is a small rural village, 4 miles from Bampton and 5 miles from Junction 27 of the M5, with around 150 residents. It has a vibrant community, with regular events such as skittles, bowls, quiz nights, bingo, music evenings, and the annual duck race.

The village is home to the historic Huntsham Estate, purchased in 1760 by William Troyte, son of the domestic chaplain at Killerton.

The church is small but beautifully formed, and many say it's the prettiest church they've visited. Its origins date back to 1263, with a major rebuild in 1439, followed by various alterations over the centuries. The elegant chandelier hanging in the centre of the church was a gift from the Acland Troyte family in 1857.

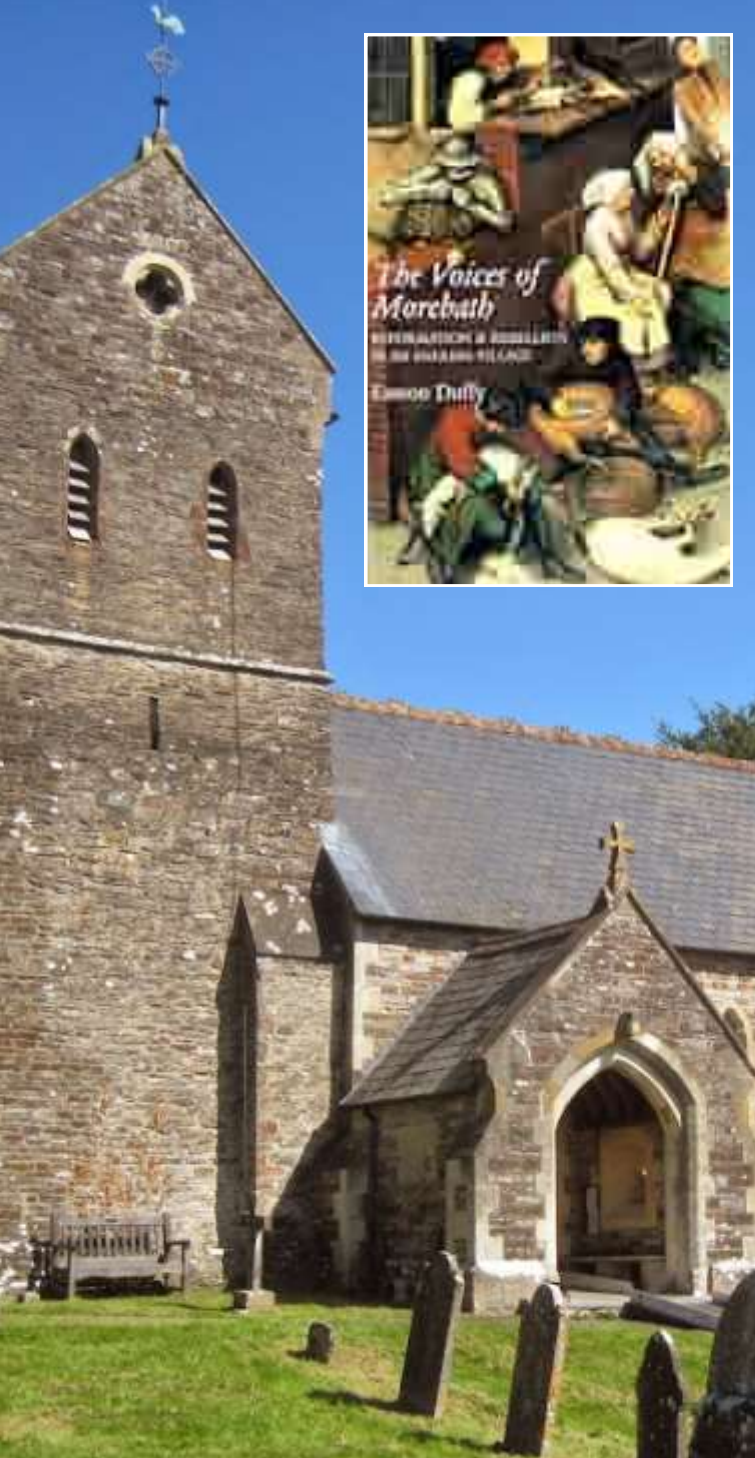
The church features an impressive embattled western bell tower, approximately 60 feet tall, with pinnacles, a clock, and eight bells. The tower has a glass viewing point which the congregation love as they can see the bells being rung. The tower is used as a training centre for bell ringers coming from all over Devon.

Currently, we hold a Communion service on the fourth Sunday of each month, typically attended by around 15 people. Special services during the year include Carols by Candlelight, Remembrance Sunday, and the Harvest Festival, followed by a produce sale. Huntsham Church also hosts several fundraising events throughout the year, including a fête, dog show, bluebell walk, and a cream tea generously held at Huntsham Court.

All Saints Church is located on the grounds of historic Huntsham Court, an award-winning wedding venue. Couples often choose to hold their wedding ceremonies at the church, followed by their reception at the Court. We typically host 10–15 weddings a year, occasionally two in a single month—and in August 2025, two are scheduled for the same day.

Our next Rector will need to enjoy weddings, as they are a significant and joyful part of church life. Couples and their families come from across the UK and beyond—occasionally including well-known names. Many attend Sunday services to hear their banns, and some later return for their children's christenings.

Weddings play a vital role in supporting the church financially, for which we are deeply grateful.



Welcome from - Morebath

St George's Church overlooks the village of Morebath. Covering some 1400 hectares, Morebath Parish is the most northerly of the Tiverton and Cullompton Deanery. Exmoor National Park borders it to the north and west and Wimbleball Lake, offering rowing, fishing, sailing and other activities, is nearby.

Morebath largely remains a farming community, with some families working the land for generations. It has a friendly population, thriving cricket club and active village hall which holds regular events, some of which are linked with the Church.

Steeped in history, Morebath's churchwarden records from the 1550s survived and are stored at the Exeter Records Office. The Voices of Morebath, a well-received book by Professor Eamon Duffy, is based on the vicar of Morebath Sir Christopher Trychay's records from this period has moved many to visit our Church.

The building, which is generally in good repair, unusually features a tower with a 'saddleback' roof. The tower itself houses six bells which are still rung occasionally for services by a dedicated team of local ringers. We have recently had our quinquennial inspection and have begun organising what needs to be actioned, as well as investigating ideas such as installing swift boxes in the building.

The Church is open virtually every day of the year. We hope people view it as their Church and are welcome to use it for prayer, reading or just for quiet time. We hope to remain relevant to people in an ever-changing world.

'Middle of the road' probably defines us. Following the pandemic, our pattern of services has reduced, and we now have one service a month - normally on the second Sunday at 11.00 am. Other services throughout the year are Easter, Harvest, Remembrance, Carol and Midnight Mass. A St George's Day service is normally held in the evening with the local Bampton Scouts joining us. The Electoral roll stands at 19.

We endeavour to create a welcoming, friendly atmosphere. Our congregation numbers remain around an average of ten, mainly older people, but some younger members at times. We have managed to pay our Common Fund in full each year. A member of the PCC is also on the village hall committee, and we look forward to strengthening links between the Church and hall.



Welcome from - Petton

Petton is a very small rural community, with farming as one of the main sources of income and employment. On the first Sunday of each month, a Communion (Prayer Book) service is held for our small but loyal congregation of around 8 to 10 people.

Looking to the future, we aim to welcome younger people into the church and have recently begun to address this. Parishioners have requested more occasions to bring the community together, which we are working towards.

At Petton Church we have a local lady who cleans and arranges the flowers for our monthly service. Last Christmas we invited the families to help her decorate the church, the five young children made a nativity scene for all to admire at our carol service.

In May 2025 we held a Rogation fun afternoon, on a farm in our parish, with hands on activities for the children and young at heart.

The church has the oldest bells in Devon, dating back to 1310, the roof was re slated ten years ago and the inside of the church needs some refurbishment; local residents have volunteered to help with the painting.

The churchyard is kept looking very tidy, a local lady cuts the grass regularly throughout the year and a local farmer trims the hedge. The plan is to extend the churchyard; this process is underway, with the neighbouring landowner having offered to give land to the church.

We are looking for a vicar who can integrate into our rural community, lead us in worship, making the bible relevant to today and help us to create positive experiences for all ages, to build stronger Christian faiths.

“Being part of a welcoming, caring church family it is great seeing children and younger families joining our celebrations.”



Petton Parish Church





Bampton Scouts on Remembrance Sunday

Work with Young People

For five consecutive years, local leaders and volunteers accompanied groups of up to 26 children and teens to Spree South West. In addition to close cooperation with Bampton Primary School (see relevant section), we regularly ran Messy Church at St Michael's Community Hall. We have also held Youth Alpha sessions for older youth and Saturday morning sessions for younger children at the church, though these are currently on hold due to volunteers' family commitments.

Bampton Scouts

Bampton Scouts is a popular local youth group led by a team of 12 volunteers. The group is fortunate to have a spacious hut and surrounding land, used for weekly sessions and annual camps. Currently, it includes over 60 members across Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, and Explorers.

Each year, Bampton scouts take part in the services celebrating St George's day in Morebath and Bampton, where they renew their vows. They also attend our Remembrance Sunday services.

Opportunities

For five consecutive years, local leaders and volunteers accompanied groups of up to 26 children and teens to Spree South West. In addition to close cooperation with Bampton Primary School (see relevant section), we regularly ran Messy Church, including Brick Church and an Easter Escape Room. We have also held Youth Alpha sessions for older youth, along with services held for young people and social activities. Once a month we held Saturday morning sessions, Children's Church, for younger children at the church to learn about the Bible, play games and crafts. These are currently on hold due to volunteers' family commitments. For a few months, we ran a weekly children's choir in Bampton church which was well attended. Unfortunately, the choir leader has had to step down due to an extensive workload. We're hoping to find someone new to lead this group.

There is great potential to expand our children's and youth work in the future.

"Saturday church was really lovely and I hope we could see this again in Bampton. My son says he loved it, he liked the craft activities while learning about Jesus."

"Going to SPREE gave me really great opportunities to explore my faith and make new friends."



Bampton School

Bampton Church of England Primary School, part of a Multi Academy Trust, is housed in modern, purpose-built facilities on the edge of the town. The school benefits from spacious grounds, an indoor heated swimming pool, and is soon to rebuild its outdoor amphitheatre for performances and presentations.

The school thrives under strong leadership and a dedicated team of staff and governors, committed to maintaining high standards of behaviour and academic achievement. In collaboration with pupils, governors, and the community, the school developed its vision — "Courage, Curiosity and Compassion make us Inspiring Changemakers" — to ensure that its distinctive Christian values remain central to school life. An Ofsted inspection in February 2024 rated the school Good in all areas.

School children attend church during term time for all major festivals, with the school organising large and vibrant services at Easter, Harvest, and Christmas. The Rector or church representatives also visit the school on Wednesday afternoons to help lead collective worship.

In previous years, the church ran a weekly Christian after-school club (J Club) and a fortnightly Open the Book session, bringing Bible stories into the school. Both activities paused due to a shortage of volunteers, but efforts are now underway to restart the Open the Book group.

Previous incumbents viewed the school as a key opportunity to strengthen links between the Church and the local community. Serving on the Board of Governors / Local School Committee has provided a valuable chance to help shape school policy and ethos within the Multi Academy Trust, while offering support to staff, parents, and children.

Bampton school children want the new vicar to be:

*"A nice and generous person, funny and kind ...
and be able to give a very clear message without lots of words and
using examples that children will understand."*



The Troyte Ringing Centre

The Troyte Ringing Centre (TRC), established in 2004 across the towers of Bampton and Huntsham, is a nationally recognised ringing centre and registered charity. The Centre is named after Charles Troyte of Huntsham Court, who became the first President of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers in 1874 and the first peal rung by ringers born and bred in Devon was rung on Huntsham bells in 1875. It is the only such centre in the Deaneries of Tiverton and Cullompton and is regarded as one of the top in the UK. Its facilities include a training bell and simulator in Bampton for teaching beginners, and a sound-controlled system at Huntsham, where most advanced ringing activities take place.

TRC provides a wide range of training and outreach. It runs an After School Bell Club with Bampton Primary School and a follow-on programme for students at Tiverton High School. Each year, 10–12 training events are held, supporting around 40 ringers from the Centre and the wider area. TRC also fosters community engagement through events such as coffee mornings, churchyard teas, and an annual Teddy Bear Parachute Jump, and offers celebratory and civic ringing for special occasions.

Over the past twenty years, TRC has facilitated more than 600 peals and quarter peals, primarily on the eight bells at Huntsham. Many performances feature original compositions by a dedicated group of about 20 regular ringers from across Devon, Somerset, and Dorset. These activities contribute significantly to the region's ringing culture and the vibrancy of the local church community.

Financially independent, TRC supports the ongoing costs of the churches it uses, covering heating, lighting, and minor maintenance, and has built a reserve of over £36,000 for future major works. Its members are an active group within the Mission Community and play a significant role in the lives of the churches and the local communities in which they sit.

“It gives us great pleasure to be able to ring for all the services and special occasions throughout Parishes.”



Bampton Heritage and Visitor Centre

Bampton Heritage and Visitor Centre (BHVC) was established as a registered charity in 2013. It operates under a licence agreement with the Church for space at the west end of the building, recently extended for another five years. The Centre's main objectives are to conserve local heritage and foster interest and learning among both residents and visitors, as well as to promote the town and provide helpful information to tourists.

The Centre provides significant benefits to the Church by keeping the building open to the public when it might otherwise be closed and by enhancing its role as a community hub. BHVC is staffed entirely by volunteers and currently opens three days a week, with a short closure during winter. In addition to welcoming visitors, the Centre organizes special events such as presentations, lectures, social gatherings, heritage walks, and town trails.

While the church building faces limitations in functioning as a full public venue—primarily due to the lack of essential services—representatives from BHVC and the Church continue to collaborate on potential improvements. These efforts aim to expand the building's usability and further support both the Centre's and the Church's community roles.

“Thank you for very friendly and informative guides! Beautiful church!”



Hukeley Mission Community Website and other media

The Hukeley Mission Community website (hukeleymissioncommunity.org) was recently redeveloped and now features a wide range of information, including details and images of our five churches, monthly service schedules, upcoming events, and news updates.

Information about Bampton Church is available on the Bampton in Devon website and is promoted via social media including Facebook and YouTube. St Michael and All Angels Facebook page is used to highlight events and upcoming services. In addition, we enjoy a good working relationship with the Tiverton Gazette, our local newspaper, which helps extend our community outreach.

Signpost community newsletter

Signpost is the community magazine for Bampton and the surrounding area, including the other parishes of the Hukeley Mission Community. It is published 10 times a year (monthly, except in January and August) and is subscription-based, with around 550 households subscribed — roughly half of the households in the area.

The magazine advertises all local events and activities, including church services. The Rector also contributes a full-page article to every edition — a wonderful opportunity to regularly share the Gospel message with the wider community.

“Wellbeing Bampton is a unique partnership between the community, the GP surgery, pharmacy, town council and St Michael and All Angels. The focus is on connecting with others to reduce isolation and enjoy the wealth of activities, venues and environment that Bampton offers.”



The Vicarage

A modern four bedroomed house with living room, kitchen/dining room, study, bathroom, cloakroom, utility area, garage, oil central heating and garden. There is plenty of additional parking space on the gravelled driveway.

New double glazed doors and windows were fitted recently, and the boiler and oil tank were replaced three years ago. These have been well maintained.

The house is located next to Bampton Church and churchyard, which can be accessed through an adjoining gate. It is within easy walking distance of all the local shops and Bampton School. The entrance to the driveway is in Barnhay, via the entrance to Bampton Surgery and The Old Vicarage.



Our Diocesan Prayer

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your Church
send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions, power to our witness.

Help your Church here in Devon
to grow deeper in faith and prayer
to grow new disciples, to grow leaders,
to grow younger and to grow
in joyful service of our local community
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

