

DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE

PATRONAGE (BENEFICES) MEASURE 1986

Statement prepared by the P.C.C. describing the Church's ministry and mission within the parish

This form is designed to give an overview of a parish to be used in a vacancy for the appointment of a new parish priest. It will be accepted as the 'statement describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish' required by the Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986. Additional information may be given by way of printed documents or written submissions.

I. Parish Information

1. Name of Parish: **Wallsend St Peter and St Luke**
2. Name of Parish church(es) **Wallsend St Peter and Wallsend St Luke**
3. Name of other C of E churches/centres for public worship in the parish **None**
4. Group of parishes in which you work (formally or informally): **There is a link with Wallsend St John, and vice versa, where people worship in each other's churches.**
5. Deanery: **Tynemouth**
6. Population: **9000**
- 7.(a) Number on Electoral Roll **70**
- (b) Date of APCM at which this number was declared: **19th May 2024**
7. Attendance at worship at each church:

Average Sunday Communicants	14 St P	27 St L
Average Sunday attendance	15 St P	28 St L
Average weekday Communicants	7 St P	12 St L
Average weekday attendance	7 St P	13 St L
8. Occasional Offices:

Number of baptisms in the last 12 months: **21 for the parish**
Number of persons confirmed in the last 12 months: **None**
Number of weddings in the last 12 months: **2 for the parish**
Number of funerals in church in the last 12 months: **5**
Number of funerals taken by clergy not in church in the last 12 months: **2**

II. The Local Community

- 1.(a) Briefly describe the population in terms of any predominant age and/or social groups, the ethnic mix etc:
Mostly white British, plus 6.7% Ethnic Mix
- (b) Are there any special social problems, e.g. high unemployment?
2. Please list: **High Unemployment, Social deprivation, substance and alcohol abuse**

Local schools: **St Peter's, Carville, Western and Richardson Dees and Burnside High**

Youth centres: **None**

Hospitals: **None**

Nursing/residential homes, sheltered housing: **Windsor Court, Osborne House, and St Peter's Court**

Places of worship of other faiths :**Salvation Army, Catholics, Gospel Hall , Methodists, Life Vineyard, New Life Christian Centre, Hope Church (AMiE)**

Local businesses: **Many shops, light engineering, and very little heavy industry**

Neighbourhood initiatives: **None**

Local associations: **Air Cadets, In addition there are many public buildings, and many organisations meet there**

Any civic responsibilities of local clergy: **Remembrance Sunday Parade**

III. The Church Community (please give details for each church)

- 1.(a) What percentage of the congregation lives outside the parish? **53% (mainly in the parish of Wallsend St John)**
- (b) Describe the congregation in terms of age, employment, culture, ethnicity and gender: **Some retired professionals, mainly elderly, there are a few children at St Luke's. 70% Female 30% Male**
2. Please describe the tradition of your church and give details of robes/vestments worn by officiants: **Anglo Catholic, Vestments, incense.**
3. Give details of Sunday services with times and form of service used: **9.30am Sung Mass at St Luke's 11.00am Mass at St Peter's with hymns (via tablet) All Common Worship.**
4. Give details of weekday services: **10.30am Wednesday at St Luke's and 9.30am Thursday at St Peter's**
5. List any authorised ministers (e.g. Reader, Church Army Officer, Ordained Local Minister, Non-stipendiary Minister, Curate in training, retired Clergy): **Rev Canon Adrian Hughes**
- 6.(a) What is the average weekly giving of those aged 16 years and older, and what proportion of the giving is gift aided: **£7.86 at St P – ALL GIFT AIDED £7.67 at St L 75% GIFT AIDED**
- (b) When did the parish last have a stewardship campaign: **Unknown**
7. How does each church supplement direct giving in order to meet financial needs (eg fundraising events, hall lettings, occasional offices, investments): **Fundraising events**
- 8.(a) Give details of expenses paid to the incumbent, and state whether this covers them in full. **Telephone (parish proportion), Travel, Stationery, Hospitality**
- (b) Is there an annual discussion about the level of expenses as part of the budgeting process: **No**

9. What amount of Share has been (a) requested and (b) paid:
Last year: **£3000 (2023) St P – Paid £3500 £6500 (2023) St L Paid £7000**
Current year: £3500 St P – Paid £4000 £8000 St L – Paid £8500
Next year: **£4000.00 St P £8500 St L**

10.(a) Is there any capital project in hand at the moment: **No**

10.(b) If so, please give brief details with costs and state how they are to be met:

11. Please attach a copy of the latest statement of accounts.

IV. Church Buildings (please give details for each church)

1.(a) What is the general state of repair of the churches: **Good**

(b) Please give details of any major maintenance needed following the last Quinquennial Inspection: **Re-wiring at St Luke's, and has been completed.**

2. Please give details of church halls and any other ancillary buildings (and an indication of the level of their use). **St Peter's Meeting Room, is used very little, mainly for church events and a weekly Zumba Class. St Luke's is used by Yoga, Community Choir, Lunch Club, Mums Space, History Society, Shooting Stars, and Market Research.**

3. Is there a churchyard to maintain and who is responsible for its maintenance? **St Peter's is closed, and is maintained by North Tyneside Council.**

V. Outreach and Mission

1.(a) What are the regular mission and outreach activities of the parish: **Open Days, Lunch Club, Christian Aid Collections**

(b) What are you doing to help people find out about Jesus: **See MAP**

(c) What are you doing to help grow people in discipleship: **Advent and Lent Courses**

(d) What are you doing to grow people in leadership: **Encouragement**

2.(a) Please give details of support for the church overseas: **Christian Aid**

(b) How much is given annually: **Varies**

3.(a) Give details of support for home missions and charities: **Walking With and Peoples Kitchen form Harvest Festivals**

(b) How much is given annually: **St Luke's gives 5% of what is given in Parish Share to Charity/ Christingle Collection to Children's Society**

4.(a) Does the parish have an overseas link: **No**

(b) If so, please state where/who

5.(a) Is there an organised system of outreach and welcome to new families: **No**

- (b) *If so, please describe:*
6. *What part does the church play in community care: **No***
- 7.(a) *Are there Lay Eucharistic Assistants who take communion to the sick: **One***
- (b) *If so, who are they: **Mr David Hall***
8. *What work does the church undertake with young people, other than in church based organisations (eg open youth work): **Expectation that the Incumbent will have weekly contact with Air Cadets etc***

VI. Ecumenical Relationships

- 1(a) *Involvement in local Council of Churches **Yes***
- (b) *Is there a formal covenant with any other denomination? **Yes***
2. *What informal ecumenical contacts are there? **Wallsend Council of Churches***

VII. Church Education and Social Provision

- 1.(a) *Name of Church School(s), if applicable: **St Peter's***
- (b) *Aided?
Controlled?
Foundation?
Academy from January 2025*
- (c) *Number of pupils on roll (approx.): **187***
- (d) *If aided, does the PCC support the school:*

VIII. Lay Education and Participation

1. *What education and training work takes place in the church for the following (give approx. numbers):*
- Children: **None***
*Young People: **None***
*Adults: **None***
- 2.(a) *Give details of house/prayer groups: **None***
- (b) *Are the leaders clergy or lay:*
- 3.(a) *How do you rate the strength of lay leadership: **Strong***
- (b) *To what do you credit this strength or the lack of it: **Unknown***

IX. Mission

1. *List areas of church life which you consider in need of development: **Young Families, Discipleship, visiting.***
2. *What are the main areas of mission that you think the new priest should prioritise in their ministry*

X. Additional Information

Please add here, or on another sheet, anything else which you would like the Patron and the Bishop to know about the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish.

XI. The new parish priest

List the qualities and skills you would like to see the new priest:

Per parish profile