

## Parish Church of St Ia

### Director of Music (and/or Organist)

St Ives Parish Church is seeking a suitably experienced and qualified Director of Music to direct our choir and to oversee the musical life of the church. We are also seeking an experienced and accomplished organist to play on Sunday mornings. This could be the same person or the role could be split between a Director of Music and an Organist. The role is available from October 2019.

Our friendly and active church community, in the heart of historic St. Ives, has a strong musical & choral tradition with enthusiastic support from the congregation and clergy.

- We have one main Sunday service (CW Communion at 9.30am) and choir practice is (currently) on a Wednesday.
- There is a robed SATB choir who are looking to grow numerically and musically.
- There are a few extra civic and festal services in addition throughout the year.
- There are several weddings and funerals each year for which an extra fee is payable.
- There is a requirement to organise a programme of concerts throughout the year.
- We are looking for someone who is sensitive to our Anglo-Catholic worship and who can choose music and hymns that are seasonally, thematically and liturgically appropriate.
- We are looking for someone who is committed to the whole mission of the church and can articulate how music takes its place within that context.
- We are looking for someone who is musically ambitious and who wishes to become involved in the musical and wider life of the town.
- Remuneration will be set with reference to RSCM scale rates paid and according to responsibilities undertaken.
- The organist will also have an opportunity to consider a (smaller) role at the neighbouring parish, St. John's in the Fields, which could be undertaken concurrently (this is optional not mandatory).
- St. Ia has a fine 3 manual Hele organ and St. Johns has a 2 manual tracker organ by Noble of Derby, both well maintained.

**We would consider appointing either a Director of Music and a separate organist OR a Director of Music who can also play the organ. Remuneration will be adjusted to reflect the arrangements.**

**In place of remuneration, the Director of Music would have the option of affordable accommodation (a two-bedroomed terraced house) in the heart of St. Ives, offered for the better performance of the duties of the successful candidate. This would subject to normal tenancy checks and agreements.**

Application is by Covering Letter and Curriculum Vitae by e-mail (preferred) or post. References will be taken up following offer. The deadline by which to receive applications is the 25 August 2019 Interviews will take place on Tuesday 10 September from 1.30pm.

Please send completed applications to the Reverend Nick Widdows:

[nickwiddows@hotmail.com](mailto:nickwiddows@hotmail.com)

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