



The Scottish Episcopal Church The Diocese of Brechin

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To: Potential applicants

Greetings,

Rector of St Mary's Broughty Ferry

I am delighted that you are considering an application for this post in the Diocese of Brechin. As we move carefully through the end (we pray) of Covid-19 constraints, our ministries and church communities have been stretched and re-formed, and I am delighted that, in the midst of all this change, you are wondering if God is calling you to this ministry near Dundee.

The church presented in the profile has lived well through the pandemic, worshipping online and then carefully returning to 'in-person' activities as permitted. Their Rector, who retired at the end of September 2021 after nine years, left a small congregation in a calm and positive frame of mind and with not insignificant historical resources to support ongoing ministry. The newly re-ordered church building, completed shortly before the pandemic, offers a context for engaging and building relationship with the wider community.

The City of Dundee, of which Broughty Ferry is a generally affluent suburban community, is a place that went into lockdown from a place of renewal and growth, with regeneration from the city waterfront enhancing the amenity and facility of the whole area. This renewal is continuing in 2021 and onwards: there is a new energy and direction to Dundee and Tayside.

This ministry in Broughty Ferry will be rooted as pastor to St Mary's faithful community whilst exploring opportunities for the congregation to develop and grow. The Diocese of Brechin has also seen significant change in leadership over the past few years—this is an exciting time to be joining this team as we work to make sense of being Scottish Episcopalians in the 21st century.

Please be assured of my prayers for you as you consider if this may be where your vocation will next develop and deepen. Please do contact me via the office office@brechin.anglican.org if you would like to know any more about the churches, the diocese or any aspect of the Scottish Episcopal Church in this place. I would be very happy to have a discussion by phone or video call.

With every blessing,

The Right Reverend Andrew Swift
Bishop of Brechin
Scottish Episcopal Church