

Vacancy News

It's all gone rather quiet!

I can totally understand, why this was pointed out to me this week. Equally, I can understand why I was asked the question “Have we had any applicants yet”?

Therefore, I thought it worth explaining the process a little further, because the truth is, ‘I don’t know’! “And why is that, I hear you ask”?

Well, the answer is really quite simple. The process doesn’t work like that. Should someone apply or even ring to get further details and information, they do not contact our St Michael’s Church office. All enquires and applications go directly to Chester Diocese. They are now the people managing the process.

It is possible that the Archdeacon could share some information with us, but he is a very busy man. Whilst we are obviously very keen to know if we have any applicants, this is just one of many issues that he will be dealing with. So, in practice, we will probably not learn

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anything until we have passed the closing date on the 9th November.

The adverts are all placed and out there for potential candidates to read and consider our Profile.

The closing date for applications will be Sunday 9th November.

Assuming we have enough applications, shortlisting will take place on Monday 17th November.

If there are people to interview, these will take place on Thursday 4th December.

If we are lucky enough to be able to appoint, it could be a further three months, before a happy smiling face will walk in through our Church doorway, due to the period of notice they are likely to have to give their current employer.

Your part in this, is to please commit all of the above to prayer. In addition, please pray for all those who will be involved in this process, in the days and weeks ahead.

Keep Smiling Keep Praying Keep pulling together