



CHURCH UPDATE (2)

As promised, we are providing regular updates on the progress being made towards the appointment of a new vicar for this parish (TPOTS), together with the parishes of Berrow and Brea and this is the second of our reports.

First of all, many thanks to Ginnie Soffe, Sarah McClean and Sarah Coles, our parish profile team who are liaising with their counterparts in Berrow and Brea. Good progress is being made with the first stage of putting together the combined Benefice Profile. As I explained in the first report, this is a key part of the appointment process: its purpose is to provide interested priests with an idea of who we are.

The plan is that the Profile will be ready in draft form by mid-August to enable us to advertise the position in September.

Feedback has now been collected from the “church family”, our schools and community groups in the three parishes (TPOTS, Berrow and Brea). The parish profile representatives from all three church families met again at the beginning of June to take a preliminary look at the feedback and to organise the Open Meeting, which was held on Saturday 15th June at Woodlands. Thank you to Sarah McClean for hosting an excellent event.

After that Open Meeting, a small group has now started work on the draft profile, including the priorities that have emerged from the meeting as well as from the consultation and, when this draft is ready, it will then be sent to the TPOTS PCC for approval.

After the profile has been completed, we then begin the process of advertising, and then of selecting a successful candidate by interview. Allowing for the need to give notice, we estimate that a new vicar may be able to start with us at about Easter of 2025.

In the meantime, if anybody has any questions or any initial observations, please don't hesitate to contact Carole, in the Church Office (from 19th June). You can email Carole at the church office or call her. (office.tpots@gmail.com or 01278 769082)

As before, whilst all of this is taking place, our three churches will continue to offer services on Sundays and during the week in the usual way and we hope to see you there.

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The Parish of Three Saints

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