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**Priest in Charge**

**Benefice of Carlisle Holy Trinity & St Barnabas**

Come and grow with us in faith, courage and community.

We are seeking a Priest in Charge who brings strong theological depth, spiritual resilience, and a collaborative heart to lead our large and socially diverse parish.

**What we offer:**

* A committed team ministry context where collaboration is essential and valued
* A congregation that is open, prayerful, and ready to grow
* A willingness to try new things and proven success in reaching children and families
* A parish with enormous potential, embracing a wide socio-economic spectrum—from long-established communities to areas of real challenge and opportunity.
* Lay people who are ready to be encouraged, equipped, and released into ministry
* A church community that knows vision and reality don’t always align—but believes God works in the gap between

**What we’re looking for:**

* A strong team leader with theological maturity and spiritual presence
* A collaborative priest who values and invests in both lay and ordained colleagues
* Someone who can communicate with grace and clarity across class, culture and ages
* A priest who can lead gently, encourage faithfully, and discern wisely
* Someone with a calling to nurture both the faithful and the curious—reaching in and reaching out

**St Barnabas is ready for the next chapter. We are looking for someone who feels called to walk it with us—not alone, but with God and one another.**

**Could that be you?**

For an informal conversation please contact Archdeacon Ruth Newton (07919 792051)

*This is a full-time stipendiary post (£31,840 from April 2025)*

For a profile and application form, please visit [www.carlislediocese.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.carlislediocese.org.uk/vacancies)

Closing date: **3rd September** **2025**

Interviews: **22nd September 2025**