

Assistant Priest to the Rector – Christ Church – Warwick, NY Priest In Charge – St. Paul’s – Chester, NY

Overview

This is a unique opportunity for an enterprising ordained Episcopal priest. This is a full time position that will serve two parishes, 9 miles apart in the Diocese of New York. The person chosen to fill this position will serve as an assistant to the Rector at Christ Church in Warwick, NY and as a Priest In Charge at St. Paul’s in Chester, NY. The Priest will serve 50% of their time in each congregation under the supervision of the Rector at Christ Church Warwick.



General Function

To assist the Rector in every aspect of priestly ministry in a rapidly growing, vibrant Episcopal congregation in Warwick, NY and to ultimately serve more autonomously in Chester, NY in a long established parish. This is an outstanding opportunity for a newly ordained priest with strong life experience or a more seasoned clergy looking for new opportunities in two loving congregations.

Qualifications

- * A strong relationship with Jesus
- * A sincere desire to share the Gospel
- * Genuine respect for – and comfort in – the Episcopal Church
- * A proven record of success in an accredited Episcopal seminary
- * Ordination as Transitional Deacon and/or Priest
- * Strong communication and administrative skills
- * Enthusiasm and talent for pastoral visitation
- * An appreciation for various liturgical and musical styles
- * Readiness to lead Christian Education programming for all ages
- * A desire to grow in this position
- * Flexibility

Key Duties and Responsibilities

Sundays

- Regular participation in rotation with Rector as preacher/celebrant
At both parishes

Weekdays

- Maintain regular office hours
- Share in visitation to hospitalized and homebound
- Vestry Meeting participation
- Regular participation in regional and diocesan events
- Day off during the week

Salary & Benefits

The salary, which is established annually by the church's budget, will conform to New York's diocesan standards for a cleric at the experience level of the person hired. Monetary compensation will be distributed over the course of the calendar year by the Diocesan Payroll Service in twice monthly payments. Additional benefits provided.

Christ Church & Warwick

Christ Church is a welcoming and inclusive parish that has served the people of southern Orange County for over 150 years. It is a strong and growing parish, composed of men, women and children from a variety of racial, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds. We are on the young side, with new families regularly deciding to affiliate with the church. Father Jim Erwin, our current Rector, joined us in November, 2012. Some parish strengths:

- * Joyous, rich and varied liturgy
- * A tradition of outstanding preaching
- * A strong laity committed to all aspects of ministry
- * Excellent music programs for all ages

- * A healthy community
- * Outreach –weekly feeding ministry & Thrift shop

We are set in a historic church building, campus and neighborhood in the village of Warwick. Our church has experienced a great deal of growth which has necessitated the expansion of our parish house which is currently underway. Though of rural character in many ways (Warwick is a popular "country" destination for NYC folks on weekend getaways) the village is just one hour by car from the George Washington Bridge and many of our parishioners work every day in NYC. Though small in size, Warwick has a sophisticated town life with many cultural and entertainment opportunities. Our quality of life is top notch, and includes a colorful village and good public schools.

St Paul's and Chester

St. Paul's is a small vibrant community located in Chester, NY. The parish has served Chester and its surrounding towns including: Washingtonville, Monroe, Middletown, New Hampton, Goshen since 1898. The congregation is comprised of men, women and children of various ethnicities, family structures and backgrounds. There is a strong sense of extended family within our church which draws members from all walks of life. Although we have been without a permanent priest for some time, we have been blessed with supply priests who have demonstrated dedication and devotion for our community's growth. Our parish strengths include:

- *Strong laity that supports ministry
- *An eagerness to grow and expand our current programs
- *Well established Godly Play Program
- *Licensed lay ministry
- *Participation within the community for summer lunch/literacy program
- *Food pantry

Reporting

The Assistant Priest/Priest In Charge reports directly to the Rector.

This job description is not intended to be all-inclusive.

We are now accepting applications for this position and expect to hire for a start date of July 1, 2017.

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