

Rev'd Marie Pattison

Rector of Radcliffe

- **Inclusive and affirming**
- **Poverty and justice focused**
- **Prayerfully driven**
- **Ecumenical**



About me



I'm in my first incumbency as the very newly minted Rector of Radcliffe.

I served my curacy in Walkden and Little Hulton in the Salford & Leigh Deanery.



I've been involved in prayer and spirituality work in the diocese for many years. Before ordination, I was Director of Katherine House, a prayer and spirituality centre owned by Roman Catholic Sisters and visited by a wide variety of people.



I'm a former Churchwarden and familiar with the responsibilities, pressures and delights faced by these amazing volunteers.



I worked for many years with the Jesuits, a Roman Catholic order, facilitating a gap year for young people who worked with various charities with marginalised people in Britain



I've lived in the diocese since 2006. Yes, I'm from the Northeast and have a funny accent.



I've studied Theology all my adult life, I didn't stop when I graduated. I love a lecture and a chance to engage with new ideas.



In my downtime, I like to knit and crochet, go for walks (I'll borrow your dog), read real books & audiobooks and play board games with friends.

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Issues in the church I care about



Climate Change



**Poverty and
Economic Justice**



**Inclusion and
Sexuality**



Safeguarding



**Clergy
Wellbeing**



I long for and pray for a church which celebrates and affirms every person.

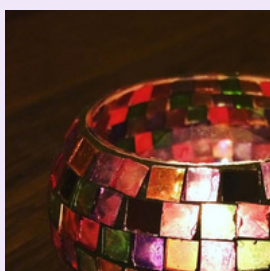
I have worshipped with Open Table and preached at their services. Open Table is a network of communities which genuinely welcome, affirm, include and empower people who are: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, & Asexual (LGBTQIA)+ their families, friends & anyone who wants to belong in an accepting, loving community.

I will always continue to challenge the church where it fails to welcome based on grounds of disability, economic power, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, learning disability, mental health, neurodiversity, or sexuality. I believe this is an issue that hurts the heart of God and damages our integrity when we reach out to our communities.

I'm from a working-class background – I grew up in Durham coalfields during the miner's strike – and would love to see a church that reaches across class divides and sees more people from backgrounds like mine in ministry. I have some sense of the practical and cultural barriers to that from my own experience.

I'm a member of Church Action on Poverty's worship and theology collective and have written liturgy for their resources.

My parish is one with very high levels of poverty, and my vision of church is one that challenges issues of social and economic justice.

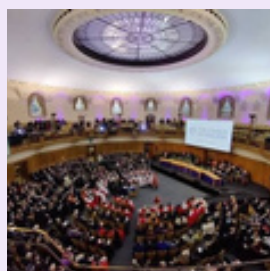


I have an interest in teaching Prayer and Spirituality and have led many courses on it, including training ALMs.

My own prayer life has been influenced by Ignatian Spirituality and its focus on contemplative prayer and discernment. My prayer life drives and fuels my ministry and decisions.

I'm Rector of two beautiful old churches, one Grade 1 listed with a massive graveyard, in an area where we are not blessed with a great deal of money. I would like for that for to be easier in terms of paperwork and funding.

I'm loving being a parish priest and I would love to see our clergy free to spend more time baptising babies, blessing schoolbags, litter-picking, visiting the grieving, administering the sacraments and being a blessing to our communities.



I am standing for General Synod for the first time. What I would lack in experience, I would make up for in enthusiasm and commitment. If you know me, you know I'm a person of integrity who takes her responsibilities seriously; and if you don't know me, you have to take my word for it!

I'm fairly clear about what I believe in and I stand by it; however I have a strong history of working well with those whose views I don't share.

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