

Just a little introduction to who I am...

How did I come to be a part of Holy Trinity?

We (My husband Phil and children Luke and Bethan) were invited to Holy Trinity by someone I met with my toddlers out walking her dog on RAF Dishforth shortly after arriving back in the UK from the Falklands Islands 23 years ago. We very nearly bought a house in Harrogate but one Sunday service, God spoke to us both individually and very clearly saying, this is your church family and this is the community where you will settle and so we moved to Ripon! In fact, I met my first (and still) friends at little fishes.

Over the years I have led the children's groups on a Sunday morning, youth groups, set up Little Fishes Plus when there was a demand for Little Fishes to expand, and with a couple of others, established Summer Boost. I was on PCC for 6 years, the Mission Action Planning group and more recently I have been on the Family church leadership team.

Beyond my church life most of my time is taken up working in the wonderful team at Park Street Surgery as Reception and Dispensary Manager. I love to spend time with my grown up children, my family in Ripon and lots of social get togethers with the wonderful friends I've met through the different chapters of life in Ripon. Phil and I love to discover new places on holiday and also taking ourselves off for walks.

Why become Church Warden?

For a number of months, I have been seeking God's guidance on how to deepen my relationship with him and part and parcel of this, asking him how I can serve. It felt right to put myself forward for PCC. I hadn't actually considered being a Church warden until I received a call from Phil (vicar not husband)! Much as I was surprised, I believe this was all in God's timing. I had one main reservation, but during the week I spent praying about it, God spoke into this assuring me this was the right decision.

Seeing Family church evolve and grow over the years has been an absolute delight. I've also been blessed with years of living life with the congregation upstairs and I miss this. The church is uniquely beautiful in the way it brings together all generations with individual characters, passions and gifts. Each and every member of our Holy Trinity family is an important part of this body of Christ; the creation of a new service bringing everyone together is exciting. We will grow and become stronger through this journey of evolving, with its challenges and each learning to adapt. I pray that in this role I can serve you with listening ears, open eyes and seeking God's wisdom in this new season.