

The Assistant Organist



Bromley is on the western edge of Kent but enjoys excellent and rapid transport links to London. The Parish Church is situated in the centre of the town, just off the High Street. The church building of 1824 was destroyed by enemy action during the Second World War and was rebuilt in the 1950s.

The aim of our church is to create an environment in which people can expressively worship God. To this end we have a variety of services accessible to all; with a range of accompanying music styles combining the best of traditional and modern hymns and worship songs. Worship includes weekly sung Eucharist (with a choral setting sung on the first

Sunday of the month), monthly Choral Evensong, as well as a less formal all age service.

The church of St Peter & St Paul is well known for producing a high standard of music. We have an experienced and skilled robed choir (including choral scholars) affiliated to the RSCM, an organ scholar plus a group of singers and instrumentalists who help to lead our monthly informal all-age service. The organ is an acclaimed 3 manual mechanical action instrument built in 1991 by J W Walker and Sons Ltd with significant upgrading carried out by the firm of Nicholson and Co Ltd last year. The Assistant Organist will need to be a person who has sensitivity to and an understanding of the role of music in worship. Duties are:

- To support the Vicar and Director of Music in leading public worship
- To accompany services each Sunday morning; at the monthly choral evensong and occasional evening services and on the normally expected additional occasions (these would include Ash Wednesday, Ascension Day, Christmas, Holy Week services etc.)
- To accompany choir practices and deputise for the Director of Music when necessary
- To work with the junior choristers on the Voice for Life programme
- To accompany the choir on visits
- To support efforts to recruit new choir members including children and young people
- To direct the choir occasionally
- To work closely with the organ scholar
- To support and assist with the recital programme

- To support the work of the Director of Music and carry out such other tasks as he/she may delegate from time to time. This may occasionally include playing for weddings or funerals when he/she is unavailable.

The Assistant Organist would be permitted the use of the organ for private practice whenever the church is not otherwise in use and may also use the organ to give lessons. There would be opportunities for the giving of organ lessons and to perform at recitals.

The Assistant Organist will work under the direction of the Director of Music. He/she will be entitled to six Sundays off each year.

Bromley Parish Church takes seriously the safety of all its people and expects everyone to work within the church safeguarding policy. This role will require an enhanced DBS Certificate. Other general terms would comply with RSCM terms and conditions.