

# PARISH OF BILTON ST JOHN AND ST LUKE

**A worshipping community  
Passionate about loving Jesus Christ  
Committed to loving others**



## ELECTORAL ROLL APPLICATION

**2020**

**AS AN ENROLLED MEMBER OF THIS CHURCH**

### Application for the Electoral Roll of St John and St Luke, Bilton

- 1) I declare that I am baptised and am sixteen years old or over
- 2) *Please tick a) or b) or c)*
  - a) I am a member of the Church of England or a church in communion with it and I live in the parish  
OR
  - b) I am a member of the Church of England or a church in communion with it. I do not live in the parish but have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the last six months  
OR
  - c) I am a member in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and also declare myself to be a member of the Church of England and I have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the last six months
- 3) I apply for entry on the church electoral roll

Signed ..... Date .....

Name .....

Address .....

Postcode ..... Tel .....

Email .....

*Please tear off this portion and return it to either church or the church office or the vicarage*

## YOU ARE ENTITLED TO ...

- Attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
- Serve on the Parochial Church Council if you are over 17 years of age
- Elect representatives from this parish to Harrogate Deanery Synod, and through them, via Diocesan and General Synod, participate in the life of the Church of England nationwide

BUT .... That gives only the dry legal facts. By being enrolled, you become part of a community of people inspired by Christ, sharing

- **RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND OTHERS.....**

*Jesus said "Love God with all your heart, soul, mind and thought. Love your neighbour as yourself."*

- **BELIEF.....**

At Baptism, candidates or their parents and godparents affirm their faith when they say:

I believe and trust in ...

**God the Father, who made the world**

*which we celebrate with confidence, but also a sense of responsibility for the well-being of the earth which we hold in trust*

**God the Son, who redeemed humankind**

*leading to thanksgiving and hope but also a sense of responsibility for spreading the good news that Jesus died for everyone*

**God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God**

*giving us wonder and joy but also a sense of urgency in the search for the renewal and unity of the Church*

- **OPPORTUNITY.....**

*Jesus said 'Seek first the Kingdom of God'...*

- through worship
- through prayer
- through reading and hearing the scripture
- through sharing fellowship with other Christians

- **CHALLENGE .....**

*Jesus said 'Go and make followers of all people'*

- through reaching out within the parish
- through opportunity to serve others in the community

- through support of missionary work at home and abroad
- through sharing the gospel with friends and neighbours
- through financial support of the work of the Church

**As you become an enrolled member of St John's and St Luke's Church or renew your membership**, we hope that you will think and pray about what your membership means, in terms of who you are in Christ, and your spiritual gifts, enabling you to serve, and your financial support.

**For the Church to be effective in doing God's work in the world, it needs**

- 1 **People** willing to be involved in the ministry of the Church. There are many opportunities for members eg helping in Sunday groups, visiting the sick, helping with uniformed organisations, making coffee, reading during services, leading intercessions, caring for the buildings and churchyard, to name but a few.
- 2 **Enough money to maintain** the buildings and support the clergy and the Diocese.
- 3 **Money to finance our outreach** to the community, both local and further afield. This is the reason for the Church's existence.

*Please use the form below to ask for further information, or to offer your services.*

- \*I would like to know more about giving regularly, using envelopes or by Standing Order
- \*I/we pay tax and would like to Gift Aid our giving. The church will receive 25p more for every £1 given.
- \*I would like to offer to help, or already help, by .....
- .....
- .....
- \*I would like to talk to someone about any of these

