

Role description for Choir members

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Thank you for your support for All Saints' Church. We are delighted that you want to sing with the choir. We welcome people of all abilities and any level of previous experience. This role description is designed to provide you with information about what the choir does and the responsibilities that its members typically take on.

Role

Jointly with others, and under the leadership of the Choir Director, we lead the congregation of All Saints in worship, through the medium of music. As members of the church family, we do our best to serve God and the congregation in a gracious, Christ-like manner, treating each of our fellows with respect and dignity, as unique individuals created in the image of God.

Description of activities

Jointly with other choir members, and under the leadership of the Choir Director:

- We perform anthems and other items at Sunday morning services (and at a small number of festivals and special services during the year), and lead the congregation in the singing of hymns.
- With the musical support of and in partnership with Choral Scholars, we seek to broaden the Choir's repertoire, and further develop its contribution to the life and worship of the Church.
- Normally, there are 3 one-hour evening rehearsals per month (Thursdays 20.00-21.00), and 2 or 3 morning services per month (2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays) preceded by a rehearsal, and the time commitment on a Sunday is normally 09.15-11.30.
- We sing at festivals and special services at the Church (such as the All Saints' Patronal Festival, Remembrance Sunday, Easter services and the Christmas Carol Service) and many of us also participate in joint choral services at other churches, such as the Ash Wednesday Communion at St. Mary's Quarry Street.
- Many choir members also engage in the wider life of All Saints.

Although we would love you to come along to as many of our activities as you can, this is an entirely voluntary role and we understand that people have many commitments, so there is no formal attendance requirement.

Safeguarding

All Saints' takes the safety of everyone within the church very seriously. As a member of the choir, you may come into contact with people for whom All Saints' has particular safeguarding responsibilities. The Church of England has to fulfil its statutory duties as an organisation in this regard, and part of this involves the need for us to sign the agreement below. Please would you take the time to read the linked documents and sign at the foot of this page. Many thanks.

Agreement:

- I agree to being a Choir Member under the governance structures of the All Saints' Incumbent and PCC.
- I agree to read and participate in the Choir in accordance with the All Saints' Safeguarding Policy, detailed at <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-05/PromotingSaferChurchWeb.pdf> including recruitment and training requirements; and all other Policies of All Saints Church
- I agree to read and adhere to the Church of England's Parish Safeguarding Handbook: <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/ParishSafeGuardingHandBookAugust2019Web.pdf>

Name (print and sign): _____

Contact email and phone number: _____

Incumbent: _____ Date: _____