

The Bishop of Carlisle
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Dear Applicant

Ulverston Parish Church

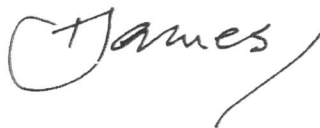
Ulverston Parish Church has one of the most lively and faithful congregations in Carlisle Diocese. It actively supports the ecumenical 'God for All' vision and strategy in Cumbria which encourages us all to 'Follow Daily; Care Deeply; Speak Boldly and Tread Gently', and over the years UPC has been at the forefront of developing gifts and enabling ministries of every kind.

As the Parish Profile makes clear, this post offers an outstanding opportunity for a strategic leader with a passion for Mission to lead a church which has huge potential for further growth, and which engages well with the local community. We are looking for someone with a deep and resilient faith; a heart for pastoral care; and a vision for building up the people of God in whole-life discipleship.

The Diocese of Carlisle has seen a number of exciting developments in recent years, including the development of ecumenical 'Mission Communities' and a strong emphasis on lay ministry and the distinctive diaconate. Geographically, the diocese is huge. But it is also very beautiful and has managed to maintain a strong sense of 'family' despite large distances. We are deeply committed to the 'well-being' of our clergy, and are passionate about spreading the Gospel and building God's Kingdom.

If you share that passion, we would love to welcome you here, and very much look forward to receiving your application.

With every blessing in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James". The signature is stylized with a large, circular initial 'J' and a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

James Newcome
Bishop of Carlisle