

Living and telling the story of Jesus



Diocesan Healing Advisory Group - August 2024



May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him. From Romans 15:13

Greetings on behalf of the Diocesan Healing Advisory Group.

Diocesan Healing Adviser Vacancy

As you may know, our Healing Adviser, Revd Dr Gilly Bunce is stepping down this summer and we are looking for a new Diocesan Healing Adviser, to take over from October 2024.

This is a voluntary role and a Bishop's appointment.

Healing is integral to the good news of Jesus Christ. The role of the Diocesan Healing Adviser within our diocese is to encourage, support and resource healing ministry, with understanding, expertise and commitment, and to maintain and develop links with other dioceses and denominations so that we continually learn, share and challenge ourselves.

This is a flexible role, in line with the needs of the role and of the post-holder's wider context. As guidance, the minimum average expectation is 2 days a month. The appointment is for 3 years, with an option to renew if the post-holder and Bishop are in agreement.

If you are interested, please have a look at our website for <u>information about the</u> Healing Adviser role, the role description and application form.

For an informal chat about the role please email Caroline Bruce.

The closing date is Friday 6 September.

Healing Service Sunday 20 October 2024, 3.00 pm, Wells Cathedral

A Healing Service will be held during Evensong in Wells Cathedral, with healing prayer offered after the service.

Taking healing further in your local context - Healing Hubs and Healing Day

Following the Healing Forums we held in the spring with Acorn Christian Healing Foundation and the Guild of Health & St Raphael, we would like to hear from you if you would like to explore what healing means in your own context and consider starting a healing hub in your area. We are making a list of those who are interested and who would like to get in touch with each other locally. Videos of all our Healing Forums are available via our website.

We are also exploring the possibility of holding a Healing Day at Flourish House in Wells with a speaker, with a possible charge of around £20.

If you are interested in Healing Hubs or a Healing Day and you have not already been in touch with us, please mail-Sue-Whitehead or phone Sue on 01749 685272.

Healing Resources

Resources to assist parishes wishing to introduce or develop a ministry of healing are available on the Diocesan website.

Please keep in touch with the Healing Advisory Group, as we are here to resource you, and be assured that we pray regularly for you. Do please email us with any comments, questions or requests. Within the bounds of confidentiality, it is good to share

something of our struggles and joys with each other and, with permission, with the wider community if it is appropriate.

I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5

Love and prayers

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