



ST ANDREW'S
CORBRIDGE

1350th
INSPIRING THE FUTURE

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH - VOLUNTEER CHURCH GUIDES

FACT SHEET

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for your interest in becoming a volunteer site guide at St Andrew's Church, Corbridge. Before completing the application form please take a moment to read this Fact Sheet which has been designed to answer basic questions you may have at this stage.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, CORBRIDGE

We are situated in 'Hadrian's Wall Country' in the beautiful Tyne Valley in Northumberland and are a welcoming and friendly community of Christians. We have the joy and privilege of worshipping in an historic and beautiful Parish Church. The lovely church of St Oswald, Halton, and the village of Newton are also part of our Parish life.

We are delighted to welcome members of the local community and our many visitors to visit our two church buildings and to share in the life of our parish.

A warm welcome extends to all.

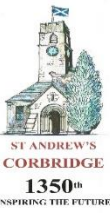
David Kennedy, Vicar

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH 1350

St Andrew's church celebrates its 1350th anniversary during 2024 - 2025 with a programme of special church services, art and craft exhibitions, musical performances and heritage events.

A key part of the anniversary year will be delivery of a series of guided tours of the church highlighting its living heritage and vibrant culture.

Our hope is to recruit volunteers to deliver the guided tours and provide a warm welcome to visitors. Previous experience in delivering guided tours is not necessary as training will be provided.



THE ROLE OF THE VOLUNTEER CHURCH SITE GUIDE

You will be delivering guided tours of the interior of St Andrew's church to visitors (sometimes groups of visitors) during the 1350th anniversary year. It is hoped that these guided tours will continue beyond the anniversary year.

THIS IS WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

- Enthusiasm
- Keenness to learn
- Willingness to share knowledge with others
- Flexibility and adaptability
- Commitment to attend the training course.

Limited written handouts will be made available and you should therefore expect to make your own notes during training sessions.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US:

- To support you in devising, planning and delivering a guided tour of the church our friendly team of experts will offer a series of **free** training sessions to include:

Training session outlining factual information about St Andrew's architecture, stained glass windows, family memorials and other special features which will help build your knowledge of the church.

A specially designed skills training session focussing on guiding technique and highlighting the practical aspects involved in guiding groups of visitors.

- On-going support after the training sessions
- Complimentary refreshments on training days

TRAINING SESSIONS – SCHEDULE OF DATES

- Information-giving lectures will take place – dates to be agreed.
- The skills and guiding technique training session will take place on:

Wednesday 3rd July 2024 (9.30am – 4.30pm)

It is hoped that volunteers will be able to attend all training sessions.

TRAINING VENUE

St Andrew's Church Cottage, Hill Street, Corbridge. NE45 5A