The Parish (or other setting)

A curacy will usually take place in the context of a parish. Occasionally (particularly for a self-supporting curacy) it may be necessary for a curacy to take place in another setting (e.g. a school chaplaincy). If this happens then arrangements will be made to ensure that the curate receives a sufficiently wide range of experiences.

Typically, a parish:

* Will offer a wide range of ministerial opportunities,
* Will not see the curate simply as an ‘extra pair of hands.’ This means recognising that sometimes the curate’s training needs take precedence over the needs of the parish.
* Will help the curate in transition from lay to ordained status,
* Will help the curate understand lay perspectives in the parish regarding for example, preaching and leading worship, and also how members lead and participate in ministry within and out with the Church (e.g. as Junior Church leaders, parish treasurer, in their paid employment….),
* Will undertake to pay working expenses,
* Will assist the training incumbent in offering feedback.