

Choral Director

Appointment Type: Full-time, 2-year fixed-term contract. **Working hours:** 35 hours per week, flexible working will be required including evening and weekend work as required by the role. **Location:** Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist ('Salford Cathedral'), 250 Chapel Street, Salford, M3 5LE
Salary, pension, and benefits: £24,000-£26,000 per annum, 25 holidays plus UK bank holidays and 5 Diocesan closure days, employers pension scheme.

About: The Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist is the seat of the Bishop of Salford and the mother church of the Diocese of Salford. The Choral Director will be paramount to contributing to the vision of the new Schools Singing Programme, working closely with the Director of Music to develop the rollout.

What we are looking for: The Choral Director will play a key role in the delivery of the Singing Programme in diocesan schools, including in-class singing sessions, and both establishing and directing after-school choirs. They will have an active role in the ongoing development of Salford Cathedral's Music Foundation, particularly in developing the newly established Children's Choir and Youth Choir. The Choral Director will identify and develop relationships with schools and parishes and foster links between them, seeking opportunities for after-school choirs to provide music in local parishes and establish after-school choirs in strategic locations throughout the diocese.

What you will need: It is essential that the successful candidate is experienced in teaching classes and choral singing to children, performing a wide range of repertoire in school and performance contexts. They will be a good communicator at all levels and competent in use of current IT systems. The Choral Director will have a deep knowledge of and passion for music, be well-versed in safeguarding issues and committed to best practice.

This role requires a friendly and approachable person who understands the importance of respect for others, equality, and diversity. They will work effectively independently, collaboratively, and flexibly to respond to the needs of key stakeholders.

Safeguarding requirements: The Diocese of Salford is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The post-holder will be expected to contribute to a positive culture of safeguarding within the organisation. **This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure by the Disclosure and Barring Service which includes a barred list check for working with children.**

All employees of the Diocese are expected to work to promote the safeguarding of vulnerable groups and must familiarise themselves with and adhere to the procedures on how to deal with allegations or concerns of abuse and the Church's Safeguarding Policies and Procedures which can be found at <https://www.csas.uk.net/procedures-manual/>

Other requirements: While it is not essential to be a Catholic, it is expected that the post-holder will work respectfully in a Catholic environment in line with the aims and ideals of the Church.

Closing date for applications: 12 noon on Friday 12 November 2021

For further information or to apply, please visit our website:
<https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>

If you have any queries about the role, please contact HR@dioceseofsalford.org.uk