

Position: Arvo Church Ministry Coordinator & Community Chaplain

Vision and Background

St Mary in the Valley (<u>www.smiv.org</u>), a suburban church located in Calwell, ACT, is seeking to be an intergenerational Anglican community devoted to Jesus, growing in faith, and living for others.

Position Description

To nurture & lead the 'Arvo church' congregation of SMiV, particularly through the provision of ongoing opportunities for worship and fellowship.

To function as a community chaplain to encourage outreach into the community, potentially through Calwell shops, Anglicare Early Childhood Centre across the road, Warrigal Aged care Centre and any other ways and to provide services to the community and to encourage participation in the life of the church, focusing on families with children.

Under the direction of the Rector, duties will include:

- Planning services, including coordination of musicians, and all those involved in different parts of the service including interactive talks – both doing & guiding others, on occasion teaching and other elements.
- Discerning and overseeing any appropriate adjustment to the nature of 'Arvo church' gatherings
- Coordinating all aspects of running Messy Church twice a term (with the help of Arvo church people).
- Working closely and in partnership with SMiV's *Stipendiary Lay Minister* to link Arvo Church with families they meet, and to provide needed leader support at 'Reboot'- the youth & children program on Friday afternoons/evenings.
- Pastoral care and follow up of Arvo church and running disciple-making Bible studies.
- As Community Chaplain: looking for opportunities throughout the year to offer services to families in the community and be involved in outreach at the shopping centre and around the Parish. This would be a new 'pioneering' undertaking and would include looking for ways to partner with Mary's Market (SMiV's Anglicare charity shop at Calwell shopping centre) and with the other churches in Calwell.
- Keeping parish leadership informed of developments and representing the needs of Arvo church to parish leadership as needed.

- Identifying any situation where more urgent pastoral follow-up is needed and relaying such needs to the Rector and/or to our Pastoral Care Coordinator.
- Monitoring safe ministry obligations at Arvo church in compliance with parish and diocesan policies.

Remuneration

The position will be paid at the stipendiary lay ministry rate. At two and a half day per week this equates to approx. \$551.63 per week, plus employer superannuation contribution of 15.87%.

Other relevant information

The position is fixed term for an initial period of 12 months, with an extension possible, if requested by the parish.

To qualify for a Stipendiary Lay Minister's position, the applicant needs to be either an Anglican or willing to be admitted into the Anglican Church.

For any clarification, please contact Rector Rev John Kuruvilla on 0406765443.