

**Welcome to the Parish of Wilnecote,
Tamworth Staffordshire part of the Lichfield Diocese**



**THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO CONSIDER
WHETHER YOU MIGHT BE OUR NEXT VICAR**

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1. Bishop's Introduction



Joining God's Mission: Seeking the Kingdom Together



Thank you for taking the time to explore this parish profile. Across the Diocese of Lichfield and the Wolverhampton Episcopal Area, we are committed to the vision of Seeking the Kingdom — a call to grow in faith, share hope, and serve our communities with confidence in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

To this end, we have committed ourselves to prayerful dependence on God, collaborative ministry, and courageous mission. With a shared desire to deepen discipleship and vocation, prioritise evangelism, nurture younger generations, grow in diversity, and engage every community in Christ's love, we are marching forward in confident hope, trusting God to renew and revive his Church among us.

We are seeking leaders to join us in this joyful work: pastors rooted in Scripture, attentive to their communities, and eager to foster vibrant, outward-looking churches.

I warmly invite you to read this profile prayerfully, listening for where God may be calling you to serve. May the Holy Spirit guide your discernment, and may you recognise the opportunities for faithful witness and kingdom growth that await you.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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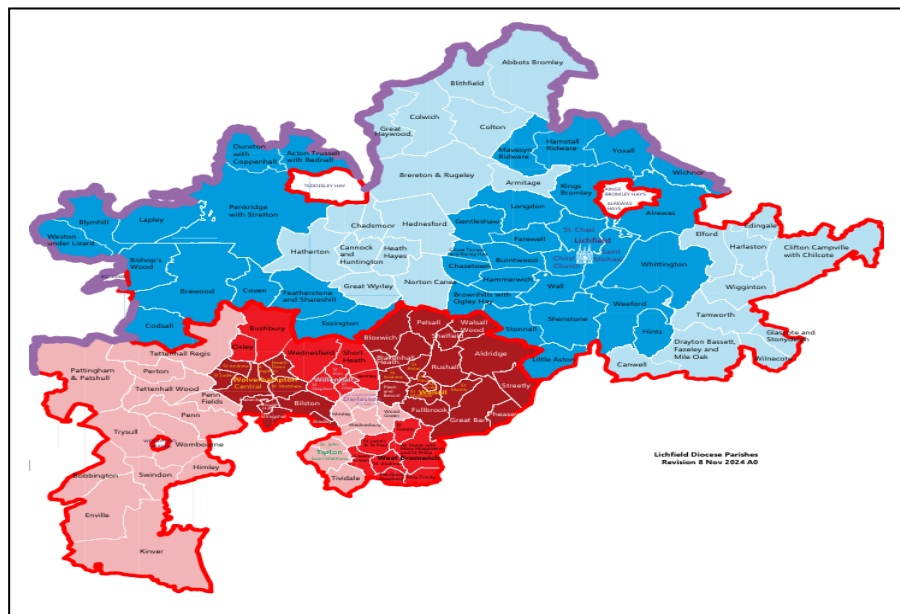
The Rt Revd Dr Tim Wambunya
Bishop of Wolverhampton

2. Rural Dean Introduction

DIOCESE OF TAMWORTH AREA DEAN'S STATEMENT:

Wilnecote Parish play an active role in Tamworth Deanery which has continued in vacancy. The Benefice has representatives on deanery Synod and supports events and courses which are put on by other parishes, encouraging new and longstanding members to join in with worship and courses in other churches in the deanery. As well as reaching out to other congregations to join in their courses.

They are a member of Tamworth Christian Churches (TCC), whose church leaders meet monthly and who engage in mission together as well as joint worship at various times. Tamworth has a very strong ecumenical base which Wilnecote has always celebrated and



supported. At one time it was a member of this parish who instigated and organised the Lay TCC group which ran for several years and furthered our ecumenical ties.

The church officers and congregation members are outward looking and faithful. They are open to exploring faith and to grow their own spirituality and sharing it with those around them. One of their members has just begun Ordination Training. The congregation and Parish would welcome guidance on identifying where they should focus their priorities as there is a great deal of scope for all sorts of ministry, but it is not possible to do everything. As well as supporting them the congregation would welcome support to develop them to play a part in leading and enabling worship.

There is an established ministry of funerals and weddings and several schools which look to the church for worship.

Wilnecote Parish is a 'traditional old Tamworth' parish, of mainly working-class inhabitants and so knowledge/experience and/or passion for 'estates' type ministry is helpful. The previous Incumbent was not from this background, but he had a passion for people and sharing the gospel with them. He served the Parish for over 17 years.

The Parish has one large church building which has rooms, and a large kitchen, its used regularly by others, e.g. River of Life, British Legion, for admin. The church building is a great space, large open and versatile with chairs not pews. It is in good condition, and the church officers have been systematically keeping the building in good repair and arrange the worship space well. There are audio and visual equipment facilities within the church and electronic giving. All of this speaks of the enthusiasm of the congregation and officers to use everything to serve Christ.

Wilnecote Parish would welcome "One who lives out love of God and love of people". Who is Enthusiastic for mission, both outside and inside the church, who will relate to people where they are and as who they are with generosity and integrity. Who genuinely cares for congregation and parishioners. A leader who can engage the congregation in a vision and help them to realise their individual and corporate gifts. Someone excited to work closely with ecumenical and deanery colleagues, who recognises and nurtures the gifts of others and helps them to fruition. Someone enthusiastic for school's ministry. There are several non-church schools nearby in which the previous incumbent took weekly assemblies and welcomed the schools into the church throughout the year to celebrate key events in the Christian Calendar.

Spacious, pleasant vicarage, not very old just a few minutes' walk from church which is itself central to the parish, would be a place you could call home.

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3. WELCOME FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

Holy Trinity, Wilnecote, stand at the heart of a community shaped by history, resilience, and a deep sense of belonging. As churchwardens, we have the privilege of serving a congregation whose faithfulness is expressed not only in Sunday worship but in the quiet, steady acts of kindness that define our parish life. This is a place where people look out for one another, where relationships matter, and where the church continues to be a source of comfort, stability, and hope.

We welcome you to this Parish Profile with warmth and sincerity. It is more than a document — it is a window into the life of a parish that has prayed, worshipped, celebrated, and grieved together for generations. Our church buildings have witnessed baptisms, weddings, funerals, confirmations, and countless moments of grace. They have stood through times of change, offering a place of sanctuary and continuity in a world that often feels uncertain.

As we enter a new chapter in our parish life, we do so with a mixture of gratitude for the past and anticipation for the future. We are seeking a vicar who will share our journey, bringing wisdom, compassion, and a heart for pastoral ministry. Someone who will help us deepen our discipleship, strengthen our community connections, and continue to share the love of Christ in ways that are meaningful and accessible. We are not looking for someone to “fix” us — we are looking for someone to walk with us, pray with us, and help us grow gently and faithfully.

Our congregation is known for its friendliness, its loyalty, and its willingness to support its vicar. We believe that ministry is a shared endeavour, and we are committed to working collaboratively with our new incumbent. We offer a parish that is steady, grounded, and ready for renewed energy.

We offer a community that values its church and respects its clergy. And we offer a vicarage that is well-situated, comfortable, and ideally placed for ministry.

We pray that as you read this profile, you will sense something of the spirit of Wilnecote — its warmth, its history, its potential, and its hope.

We pray that God will guide you as you discern your calling, and that you may find in these pages a glimpse of the ministry to which you may be invited.

We look forward to welcoming the vicar whom God is preparing for us, and we hold you in our prayers as you consider whether that might be you.

Anne and Vanessa – your faithful Church Wardens

4. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for looking at the Parish Profile for Wilnecote, Tamworth, Staffordshire.

We hope that it will give you some insight into the opportunities and challenges as we grow our fellowship and our Christian family again post-COVID.

We are ready to move on in faith and discipleship and are looking for someone who will work with us to shape our future - led by the Holy Spirit.

5. CONTEXT

We are a single parochial church parish which is in suburb of Tamworth. Most of the congregation live within the geographical area of the Parish. The Parish originally consisted of what was 4 villages and over the decades have now become suburbs of Tamworth, supporting a population of c25,000.

The Parish is made up of 4 electoral wards, 2 total (Wilnecote and Hockley) and parts of 2 others (Two Gates and Kettlebrook).



6. OUR WORSHIP STYLE

Our church sits naturally in the **Broad-Church tradition**, drawing on the richness of both High Church and Low Church expressions without being defined exclusively by either. We value the beauty and depth of liturgical worship, while also appreciating accessible, relaxed elements that help people of all ages and backgrounds feel at

home. We are relaxed in how our services are led by our Vicar to us the person behind the robes is more important than any robes that are worn.

Our services are rooted in the Anglican pattern of prayer and sacrament, yet we hold this with a light touch. We are comfortable with a range of worship styles — from more traditional, reflective services to those that are simpler and more informal. What matters most to us is worship that is **reverent, welcoming, and spiritually nourishing**, rather than strictly aligned with one end of the spectrum. We do follow the concept of “Communion for all” and offer an “open table”.

This breadth shapes our community life too. We are a parish where people with different church backgrounds and theological perspectives can worship together, serve together, and grow together. We value thoughtful preaching, meaningful liturgy, and a pastoral approach that is grounded in grace, kindness, and openness.

We hope to welcome a vicar who is at ease in this middle space — someone who appreciates the diversity within the Church of England, enjoys drawing from a variety of traditions, and can help us continue to worship in a way that is both rooted and accessible.

7. SERVICES

We have two main services a week Sunday and Wednesday both offer Holy Communion. There are facilities for projected liturgy and the use of contemporary music. Within the church there is a piped organ that hasn't been used for many a year due to having no organist.

The weekly Sunday attendance average ranges from 40 to 60.

Week of the Month	Sunday Service time	Type of service	Wednesday Service time	Type of service	Other Church activities
1 st week	10.00 All age	Holy Communion	10.00	Holy Communion	Monday monthly Book Club
2 nd week	09.30	Holy communion	10.00	Holy communion	Prayer and Chat Group
3 rd week	09.30 11.00	Holy Communion All Age/ children's service	10.00	Holy Communion	
4 th week	09.30	Holy Communion	10.00	Holy Communion	Prayer and Chat Group
5 th week	09.30	Holy Communion	10.00	Holy Communion	

Our services have been sustained during the interregnum by the support of an Ordained Local Minister with Permission To Officiate, one Lay Reader, and visiting clergy, and we are continuing to flourish. However, we have had to reduce the number of Wednesday services held each month.

8. FESTIVALS

Bereavement Services

- Services are held once a year, to which recently bereaved families are invited to remember their loved and this is support by our local Funeral Directors.

Advent, Christmas and Epiphany

- Our Christmas celebrations include Candlelight Carol Service followed by mince pies and mulled wine, Christingle,



- Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve,
- Christmas Day Service.

Lent and Easter

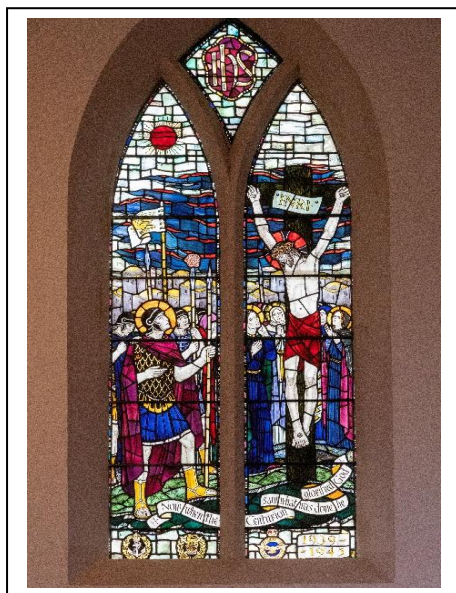
- On Good Friday we hold our own Walk of Faith service, outside our church, and also support Tamworth Christian Churches Together Walk of Faith Service.
- Some of our congregation attend Easter Day sunrise service, this maybe something to think about holding in the future.

Remembrance 11th November – Lest we Forget

Our local Wilnecote British Legion branch is hosted in the Prince of Wales Pub. There are usually 150 people in attendance at our Remembrance Service. Holy Trinity has strong links with Remembrance as the War Memorials are inside Holy Trinity Church, Wilnecote.



- **WWII Memorial Board (Main War Memorial)** is a prominent headed wooden board commemorates the men and women of Wilnecote Parish who died on active service in the Second World War.
 - The Board lists all the individuals that had fallen and not returned from war.
 - The Inscription is: *"WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD / THE MEN AND WOMEN OF WILNECOTE PARISH / WHO DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, 1939–1945"*
- **WWI Memorial Candlesticks**
 - On the main altar there are a pair of brass memorial candlesticks dedicated to those who served in the First World War.



WWII Stained Glass Memorial Window

- Which is a striking two-light stained-glass window commemorates the Second World War.
- The Imagery is:
 - Christ on the cross
 - A centurion looking upward
 - People praying in the background
 - Badges of the Army, Navy, and Air Force are at the base
 - **Inscription:** *"IHS / NOW WHEN THE CENTURION SAW WHAT WAS DONE, HE GLORIFIED GOD / 1939–1945."*

9. ATTENDANCES

In the first part of the table below is the average number of people attending a Sunday or Wednesday service.

The second part of the table below is the average number of attendances over the last 3 years.

Service	Service time	Type of service	Adult	Children
Sunday 10am	10.00 All age	All Age Holy Communion	50	8
Sunday 09.30	09.30	Holy communion	40	5
Sunday School	11am	All Age/ children's service	10	10
Wednesday 10.00	09.30	Holy Communion	8	0
Seasonal Services				
Good Friday	11.30	Walk of Witness	25	4
Easter Sunday	10.00	Holy Communion	70	10
Harvest Festival	10.00	All Age Service	60	20
Remembrance	10.45		110	40
Christingle	10.00	All Age Service	60	20
Carol Service	18.00	All Age Service	70	25
Christmas Eve	23.30	Midnight Mass	100	8
Christmas Day	10.00	Holy Communion	60	8

Previously when there was a vicar in residence the Primary Schools would all attend church 3 times a year: Advent, Easter and Harvest festival. We look forward to this being reinstated.

NUMBER of OCCASIONAL OFFICES

This information is based on the average per year over the last 5 years:

- Baptisms - 8 (these are either held as part of the family service or at 11am on Sundays)
- Weddings – 5 per year



- Wedding Blessings or vow renewal – 6 per year



- Funerals 24, across both church and crematoria



10. FELLOWSHIP - what else Do we Do:

Blokes Breakfast – start the day with a full English or maybe something a little lighter on the first Saturday of the month. An opportunity to share thoughts, concerns or just a chance to share views.

Ladies' Lunch – women from the church and from the community meet for lunch once a month for social chat and fellowship.

Book Club – the church support people coming together, once a month, to review and share thoughts and views of a book that they have all read or part read.

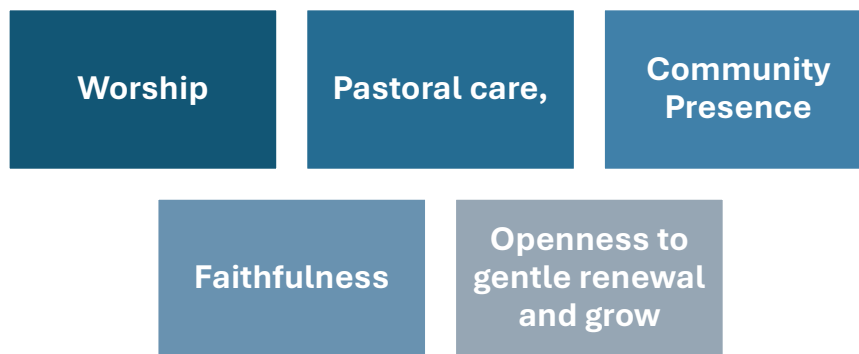
Meets in the back room at church on the first Monday of the month, next meeting 6th April from 2.00 to 3.30pm. New members always welcome.

Tuesday Chat – is a prayer and support group. This is a chance to talk things through and meet up with others for an informal, friendly chat over a cup of free tea or coffee. As well as talking together you can also pray together. Meetings are held twice a month.

Having chairs instead of pews make the church very versatile for having café style services and four times during the year we host calendar social events: Easter Fayre, Afternoon Tea, Harvest Super and Big Tear fund Quiz. These are great opportunity to extend our fellowship to our local community.



11. Our Values



Worship

Worship is at the heart of our parish life. We believe that worship should be a place where people encounter the holiness of God, where Scripture is proclaimed with clarity and conviction, and where the sacraments are celebrated with reverence and joy. Our services are rooted in the Church of England's liturgical, delivered in a Broad-Church style which offers dignity, structure, and a sense of the sacred. We value preaching that is thoughtful, pastoral, and grounded in Scripture. We value music that lifts the heart and supports congregational participation. We value the rhythm of the liturgical year, with its seasons of preparation, celebration, reflection, and renewal.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is at the heart of our parish identity. Many of our members are older, and we place great importance on visiting, supporting, and praying for those who are unwell, housebound, or bereaved. We believe that pastoral care is not simply the responsibility of the vicar, but a shared ministry in which the whole congregation participates. We want to be a church where no one feels forgotten, where compassion is expressed in practical and meaningful ways, and where people know they are held in prayer.

Community Presence

We believe the church should be visible and engaged in the life of the parish. Holy Trinity is a landmark in Wilnecote, and we want our ministry to reflect that sense of presence:

- steady,
- reliable,
- and open to all.

We value partnerships with local organisations, schools, and community groups. We want to be a church that

- listens to its community,

- responds to its needs,
- offers hospitality,
- is welcoming, and supportive.

Faithfulness

We honour the heritage of our parish. Generations have worshipped here, and we are mindful of the responsibility we carry to steward this legacy with care and gratitude. We value continuity, stability, and the quiet faithfulness that has sustained this parish for many years. We believe that faithfulness is expressed not only in worship, but in the daily acts of kindness, generosity, and service that shape our life together.

Openness to Growth

While we value stability, we are also open to gentle renewal. We want to explore new ways of reaching families, deepening discipleship, and strengthening our community connections. We are not seeking dramatic change, but thoughtful, prayerful development that honours our tradition while responding to the needs of today. We believe that growth is not only numerical, but spiritual — a deepening of faith, a strengthening of relationships, and a widening of our vision.

12. OUR CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY

Our congregation is predominantly older, many of whom have worshipped here for decades. This brings a strong sense of continuity, loyalty, and shared history. People often describe Holy Trinity as a church with a warm heart and a peaceful atmosphere. Visitors frequently comment on the friendliness of our welcome and the sense of calm they feel when they enter the building.

We are a parish that values relationships. Much of our ministry is built on personal connection, pastoral presence, and the steady rhythm of the church year. We are not a church of sudden change or dramatic shifts; instead, we grow through faithfulness, patience, and gentle encouragement.

We are a church that values prayer. Prayer is woven into the fabric of our parish life in our worship, in our pastoral care, and in our daily lives. We believe that prayer sustains us, guides us, and strengthens us.

We are a church that values community. We believe that the church should be a place where people feel welcome, where relationships are nurtured, and where people can find support, comfort, and hope.

Holy Trinity Church stands at the centre of old Wilnecote, close to the Prince of Wales pub, the British Legion, and the Old Cemetery. The War Memorial within the church is a significant landmark and remains a focal point for community remembrance. The church's location gives it a strong sense of presence and

visibility, and many people in the community see it as a place of stability, comfort, and continuity.

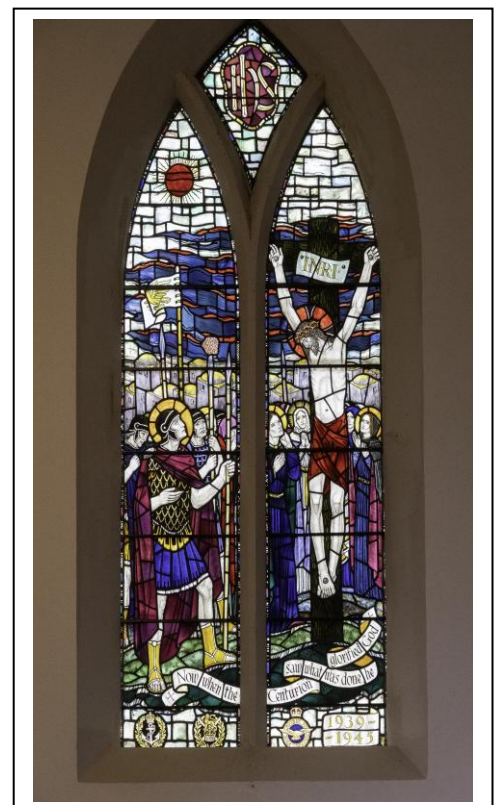
The parish includes 4 Primary Schools and 2 Senior schools, schools, shops, and community facilities. These provide opportunities for partnership, engagement, and outreach. The local schools, in particular, offer potential for developing relationships with children, families, and staff.

Wilnecote is a community with a strong sense of identity. People care about their neighbourhood, their history, and their relationships. There is a deep respect for the church's presence, even among those who do not attend regularly. Many people see Holy Trinity as "their church" — a place that belongs to the community, that holds its memories, and that stands as a symbol of continuity and hope.

13. PARISH HISTORY

Holy Trinity Church is a Georgian building at the top of a hill on Watling Street, right in the heart and centre of the parish and has been a spiritual landmark in Wilnecote for generations. Its presence is woven into the story of the village which gives a story of faith, community, resilience, and continuity. The church stands at the heart of old Wilnecote, surrounded by the Old Cemetery, the War Memorial, and historic buildings that speak of the parish's long and varied past.

There has been a church on the site since about 1250 and although the current building is over 200 years old (1822) very little of its original fixtures and fittings remain. It has been remodelled many times, including approximately 20 years ago removing the



Victorian pews and replacing them with chairs. There is an office, kitchen and meeting room within the church, making it more than fit for purpose for meeting groups, prayer and study groups as well as social events.

The origins of Christian worship in Wilnecote stretch back many centuries.

As we look to the future, we do so with gratitude for the past. We honour the legacy we have inherited, and we seek to build upon it with care, humility, and vision. We believe that the history of Holy Trinity is not simply something to be preserved —

it is something to be lived, shared, and carried forward into the next chapter of our parish life.



14. OUR STRENGTHS

Every parish has its strengths, and Wilnecote is no exception. We are blessed with a congregation that is faithful, prayerful, and deeply committed to the life of the church. We are blessed with a beautiful historic building that stands as a place of peace, beauty, and spiritual significance. We are blessed with a strong sense of community identity, with relationships that have been nurtured over many years, and with a heritage that inspires us to look to the future with hope.

A Loyal and Prayerful Congregation

Our congregation is faithful, committed, and deeply supportive of its vicar. Many members have worshipped here for decades, and their dedication is a source of strength and stability. They bring wisdom, experience, and a deep sense of belonging.

Strong Pastoral Relationships

Pastoral care is one of our greatest strengths. We value visiting, supporting, and praying for those who are unwell, housebound, or bereaved. Our congregation is known for its kindness, compassion, and willingness to help.

A Respected Community Presence

Holy Trinity is a landmark in Wilnecote, and the church is widely respected for its pastoral presence and its role in community life. Many people in the community see the church as a place of stability, comfort, and continuity.

A Stable PCC and Committed Volunteers

We have a dedicated PCC and a team of volunteers who work hard to support the life of the parish. They bring a range of skills, experience, and commitment.

15. OUR OPPORTUNITIES

Engaging Families and Young People

There is real potential to develop ministry with families, children, and young people, especially through school links and seasonal events. We want to create a church where children feel welcome and where families can explore faith together.

Strengthening Community Partnerships

We have opportunities to build stronger relationships with local organisations, charities, and community groups. These partnerships can help us respond to local needs and offer support to those who are vulnerable or isolated.

Developing Outreach and Social Events

We would like to explore new ways of bringing the community together through social events, open-church days, and gentle outreach. These events can help us build relationships, share our faith, and offer hospitality.

Exploring Fresh Expressions of Worship

While we value our tradition, we are open to exploring new forms of worship that complement our existing pattern. These might include reflective services, seasonal gatherings, or occasional family-friendly worship.

16. CHALLENGES WE FACE

Every parish faces challenges, and we believe it is important to name them honestly and prayerfully. We do not see these challenges as obstacles, but as opportunities for growth, creativity, and renewed purpose.

An Ageing Congregation

Our regular worshippers are predominantly older. While this brings wisdom and stability, it also means we must think carefully about how to engage younger generations. We want to create a church that is welcoming to all ages, while honouring the needs and preferences of our older members.

Limited Volunteer Capacity

Many of our volunteers have served faithfully for years. We need to encourage new people to take on roles and responsibilities. We want to create a culture where volunteering is shared, supported, and sustainable.

Changing Community Patterns

Like many parishes, we face the challenge of shifting social habits, where church attendance is no longer a cultural norm. We want to find ways of connecting with people who may not attend regularly, but who still value the church's presence.

Balancing Tradition and Renewal

We value our heritage, but we also recognise the need to adapt sensitively to the needs of today's community. We want to find a balance between continuity and change, between tradition and innovation.

17. DISCIPLESHIP AND PASTORAL CARE

Discipleship at Wilnecote is nurtured through preaching, prayer, and the steady rhythm of the church year. While we do not currently have formal study groups, there is a growing desire within the congregation to explore faith more deeply, to ask questions, and to reflect on what it means to follow Christ in daily life. We believe that discipleship is not a programme but a journey — a journey that is shaped by worship, community, and the quiet work of the Holy Spirit.

We hope to develop opportunities for discipleship that are accessible, gentle, and rooted in the life of the parish. We have two seasonal study groups during Advent or Lent, as well as a prayer and char group that meet fortnightly.

Pastoral care is one of our greatest strengths. Our congregation places a high value on supporting, and praying for those who are unwell, housebound, or bereaved. Many of our members have been part of the parish for decades, and the relationships that have been formed over the years are deep and enduring. We believe that pastoral care is not simply the responsibility of the vicar, but a shared ministry in which the whole congregation participates.

Our vision for discipleship and pastoral care is one of gentle growth, deepening relationships, and renewed commitment to the spiritual life of the parish. We believe that as we grow in faith, we will also grow in love — for God, for one another, and for our community.

18. CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

At present, our provision for children and families is limited, reflecting the age profile of our regular congregation. However, the parish itself includes many families, and we believe there is real potential to grow this area of ministry. We want to create a church where children feel welcome, where parents feel supported, and where families can explore faith together.

Our previous vicar built up good working relationships with the 4 primary schools and 2 senior schools in our Parish and led on school assemblies. Previously when there was a vicar in residence the Primary Schools would all attend church 3 times a year: Advent, Easter and Harvest festival. We look forward to this being reinstated.

We recognise that engaging with families requires sensitivity, creativity, and patience. We do not expect dramatic change, but we are open to gentle, sustainable steps that build trust, relationships, and a sense of belonging. We hope to maintain our links with local schools, offering support, presence, and partnership. We believe that schools are a vital part of the community, and that building relationships with staff, children, and families can open doors for ministry and outreach.

We recognise that children's ministry is not only about services — it is also about relationships. We want to create a church where children feel seen, valued, and welcomed. We want to create a space where parents feel supported, encouraged, and connected. We want to create opportunities for families to gather, to share, and to build community.

We are open to exploring new ideas, such as craft mornings or partnerships with local organisations. We believe that small steps can make a big difference, and that gentle, consistent engagement can build trust and relationships over time.

Our vision for children, youth, and families is one of welcome, inclusion, and gentle growth. We believe that families are a vital part of the life of the parish, and we want to create a church where they feel at home.

There are reputable primary and secondary schools in the area. The closest local primary school is just over the road from Holy Trinity Church and strong links have been built with all the schools that are in the Parish of Wilnecote. At both the senior schools there are plenty of leisure facilities available.

19. THE “NEW” VICARAGE

The vicarage is on Glascote Lane. It is a modern detached house located approximately 200m away from Holy Trinity Church, offering exceptional convenience for parish ministry. Its location provides a strong sense of connection to the parish and its people, making it easy for the vicar to be present, accessible, and engaged in the life of the community.



Setting & Location

- The setting is quiet yet well-connected, with easy access to local amenities, schools, and transport links typical of the Wilnecote area.
- It is a modern style home as compared with the Victorian former vicarage further along Glascote Lane
- Its a **comfortable family home** suitable for clergy life.
- A location that naturally integrates the vicar into the daily life of the parish
- A balance of privacy and visibility—important for a welcoming but sustainable ministry presence.

Neighbourhood Character

- The immediate area includes a mix of substantial detached homes, many with long ownership histories and strong ties to the community.
- The road includes several notable properties such as *The Old Vicarage* and *The Old Vicarage Lodge*, *The Old Sargent's House*, *The Old Police House* and *the Old Police Cells* that have all been renovated into homes, all these reinforcing the long ecclesiastical heritage of the location.

The Vicarage

- The Vicarage is a large 4 bedroom house, which has a practical layout.
 - Downstairs there is a comfortable lounge, separate dining-room, a practical kitchen and a separate utility room.

- Also downstairs there is a large office where many sermons were written in by the previous vicar. However, there is also a large office at Holy Trinity Church, so there could be an opportunity to change the use of this room.
- Set back slightly from the road with driveway parking.
- The vicarage is well-suited to contemporary clergy housing expectations, it is energy efficiency, fully double glazed. Had a new central heating boiler fitted in 2025 and the loft was re-insulated in 2025.
- Back garden can be accessed by a side-gate at the front and has a small patio area.

We believe that the vicarage is an important part of the parish's ministry. It provides a home for the vicar and a base for pastoral care, prayer, and reflection. We are committed to maintaining the vicarage to a high standard, ensuring that it remains a comfortable and welcoming home.



20. PCC



21. WHAT WE CAN OFFER OUR NEW VICAR

A parish that is warm, loyal, and prayerful. We offer a congregation that values its vicar, supports their ministry, and respects their time and wellbeing. We offer a community that appreciates the church's presence and is open to building relationships.

A PCC that is committed, responsible, and eager to work collaboratively. We offer volunteers who are dedicated, experienced, and willing to support the life of the parish. We offer a stable environment with space to grow gently and confidently.

A beautiful historic church that is cherished by the congregation and community alike. We offer a vicarage that is well-maintained, comfortable, and ideally located for ministry.

A parish that is ready for renewed energy, fresh ideas, and steady leadership. We offer a community that is open to gentle change, thoughtful development, and new possibilities.

A warm, prayerful and supportive church family Holy Trinity Wilnecote is a friendly, down-to-earth congregation who genuinely care for their vicar. We value

partnership, honesty, and shared discipleship, and we are ready to welcome someone who will journey with us.

A committed leadership team Our churchwardens, PCC and volunteers are reliable, collaborative and eager to support your ministry. We have learnt a lot through the Interregnum, and you won't be left to carry everything alone — we believe in shared responsibility and clear communication.

Space to lead and space to breathe We understand the importance of a healthy work–life balance. We will respect your day off, protect your time for prayer and study, and work with you to ensure your ministry is sustainable.

A well-maintained vicarage on Glascote Lane offers a comfortable, large four-bedroom modern home with good space for family life and hospitality. The parish is committed to ensuring it remains a pleasant, welcoming place to live.

A parish with real opportunity Wilnecote is a community with deep roots and a strong local identity. There is genuine potential for growth in worship, discipleship, and community engagement. We offer a parish where your gifts can make a visible difference.

Strong community connections We have good relationships with local schools, the British Legion, community groups, and civic partners. You will be welcomed as a visible and valued presence in the wider community.

Above all, we offer a parish that will pray for you, support you, and walk with you as you lead us into the next chapter of our life together.

22. The PERSON BEHIND THE ROBES

We are praying for a vicar who will walk with us, guide us, and help us grow gently and faithfully into the next chapter of our parish life. We are not seeking someone to transform us overnight, nor someone to impose a vision from outside. Instead, we long for a vicar who will listen, discern, and lead with humility, compassion, and wisdom.

We are looking for someone who is rooted in the Broad Church tradition — someone who values the beauty of liturgical worship, the rhythm of the church year, and the sacramental life of the Church of England. We hope for a vicar who can preach with clarity and warmth, who can teach with patience and insight, and who can help us deepen our understanding of Scripture and faith.

We are looking for someone with a pastoral heart — someone who is comfortable spending time with older members, visiting the housebound, supporting the bereaved, and offering prayer and presence in times of need. We hope for a vicar

who understands the importance of pastoral care, who values relationships, and who sees ministry as a shared journey.

We are looking for someone who is approachable, friendly, and visible in the community — someone who is willing to engage with local organisations, schools, and families. We hope for a vicar who can build relationships, foster trust, and represent the church with grace and integrity.

We are looking for someone who is open to gentle renewal — someone who can help us explore new possibilities without losing sight of our heritage. We hope for a vicar who can encourage lay leadership, nurture volunteers, and support the development of new ministries.

Above all, we are looking for someone who will pray with us, walk with us, and help us grow in faith, hope, and love. We believe that God is preparing the right person for us, and we hold that person in our prayers.

23. SAFEGUARDING

We are fully committed to the safeguarding of children, young people, and vulnerable adults. Safeguarding is not simply a legal requirement — it is a moral and spiritual responsibility. We believe that every person is made in the image of God, and that every person deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, and care.

Our PCC has adopted the House of Bishops' safeguarding policies, and we ensure that all volunteers who work with children or vulnerable adults are appropriately trained and DBS-checked. Safeguarding is a standing item at PCC meetings, and we work closely with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team whenever needed.

We believe that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We want to create a church where people feel safe, valued, and protected. We want to ensure that our buildings, our practices, and our relationships reflect our commitment to safety and care.

We recognise that safeguarding is an ongoing process — one that requires vigilance, training, and reflection. We are committed to reviewing our policies regularly, responding promptly to concerns, and fostering a culture of openness, accountability, and trust.

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer plays a vital role in ensuring that our safeguarding practices are robust, up-to-date, and effective. We are grateful for their dedication, professionalism, and care.

24. FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

While our finances are stable, we must continue to steward our resources carefully and explore new ways of sustaining our ministry. We want to ensure that our buildings supported for the long term and that we continue to pay our Common Fund Contribution..

We are grateful for the generosity of our congregation, whose giving enables the ministry of the church. We are also grateful for the dedication of our treasure, who ensures that our finances are managed with integrity, transparency, and care.

Fund movement by type 2025

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
General							
Unrestricted	97,003	32,445	39,304	-	1,661	(28,334)	89,623
Sub-totals	97,003	32,445	39,304	-	1,661	(28,334)	89,623
Totals	97,003	32,445	39,304	-	1,661	(28,334)	89,623

Fund movement by type 2024

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
General							
Unrestricted	77,357	60,358	41,801	-	426	(25,588)	97,003
Sub-totals	77,357	60,358	41,801	-	426	(25,588)	97,003
Totals	77,357	60,358	41,801	-	426	(25,588)	97,003

25. THE WIDER DIOCESE AND DEANERY

Wilnecote is part of the Tamworth Deanery within the Diocese of Lichfield. We value the support of neighbouring clergy and enjoy good relationships with local parishes. The deanery offers opportunities for collaboration, training, and mutual encouragement.

The Diocese of Lichfield is known for its commitment to mission, discipleship, and community engagement. It provides resources, training, and support for clergy and lay leaders. We value the diocese's emphasis on prayer, learning, and service.

As a parish, we are committed to playing our part in the life of the deanery and diocese. We participate in deanery synods, clergy gatherings, and collaborative initiatives. We value the sense of belonging that comes from being part of a wider church family.

We believe that our next vicar will find support, fellowship, and encouragement within the deanery and diocese. We believe that ministry is strengthened when clergy and parishes work together, share resources, and support one another.

26. WHY WILNECOTE?

Wilnecote is a parish with real potential and a great deal to offer the right vicar. It is a parish with a warm heart, a strong sense of identity, and a deep commitment to its church. It is a parish that values its clergy, supports its ministry, and is open to gentle renewal.

We offer a congregation that is faithful, prayerful, and eager to grow. We offer a community that respects the church's presence and is open to building relationships. We offer a beautiful historic building that stands as a place of peace, beauty, and spiritual significance.

We offer a vicarage that is well-maintained, comfortable, and ideally located for ministry. We offer a PCC that is committed, responsible, and eager to work collaboratively. We offer volunteers who are dedicated, experienced, and willing to support the life of the parish.

We offer opportunities for gentle, sustainable growth — especially with families, schools, and community groups. We offer a parish that is ready for renewed energy, fresh ideas, and steady leadership.

Wilnecote is not a parish of extremes. It is a parish of faithfulness, steadiness, and quiet potential. For the vicar who values pastoral ministry, community presence, and the beauty of traditional worship, Wilnecote offers a deeply rewarding place to serve.

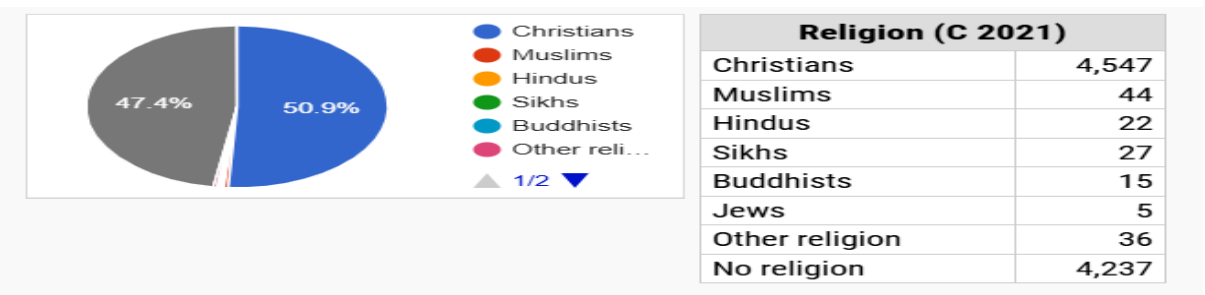
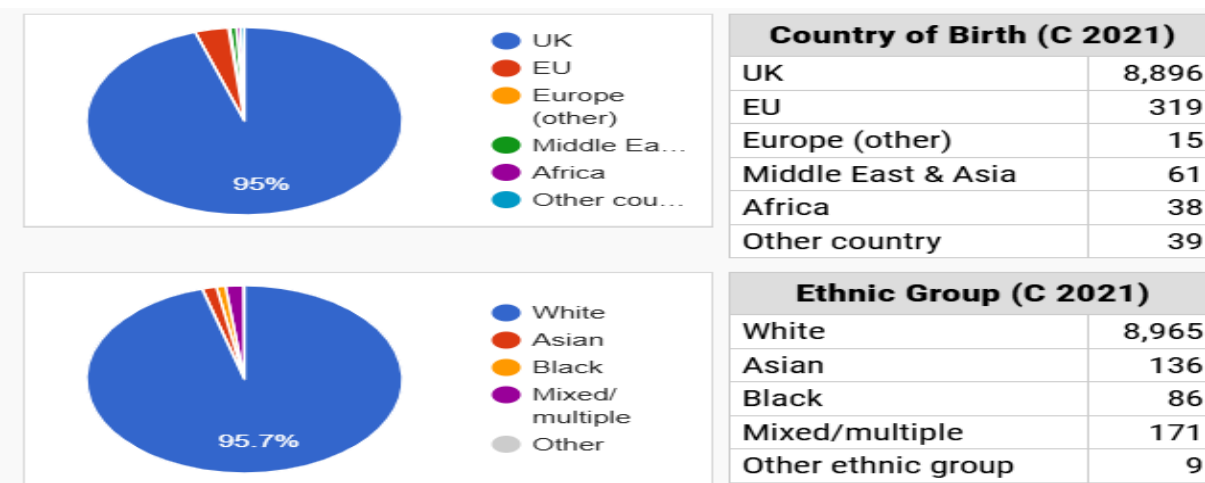
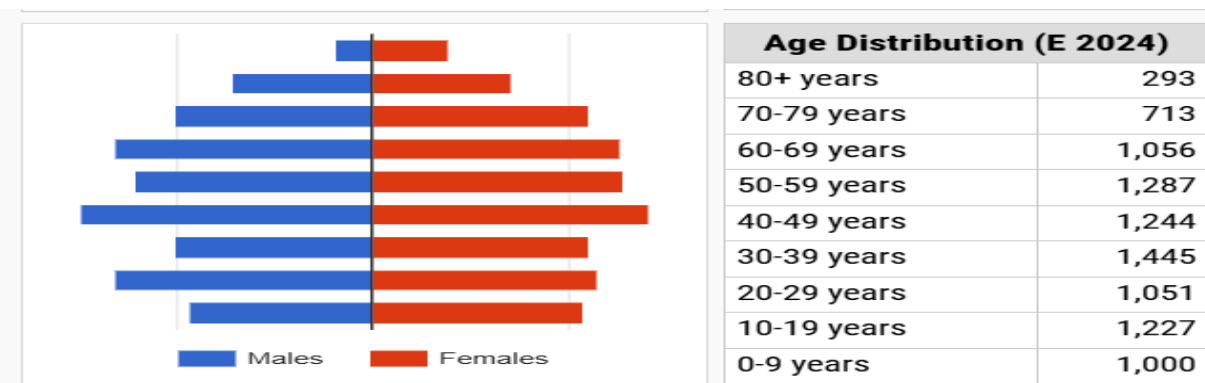
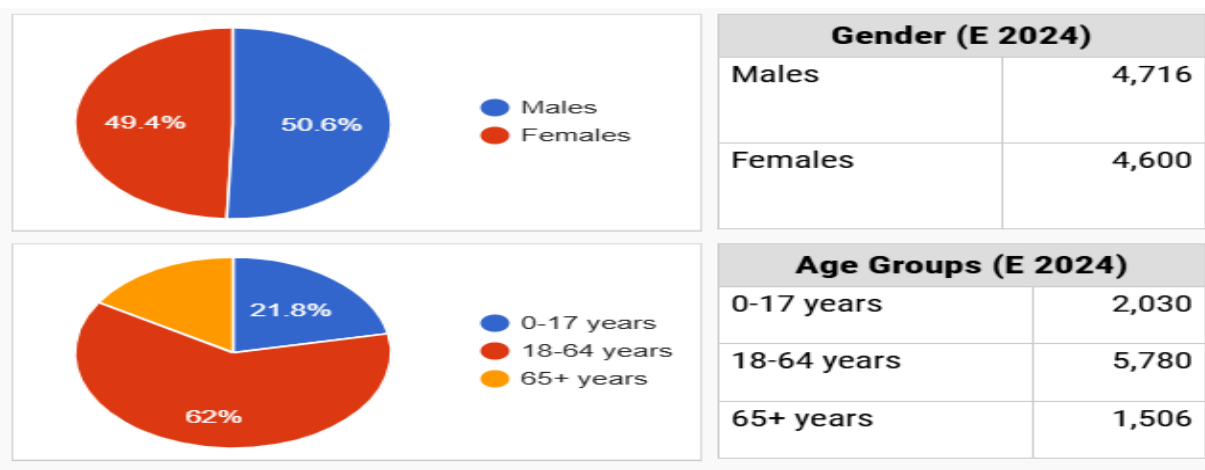
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How easy is it to get to Wilnecote Parish

Wilnecote is, 8 miles from Lichfield, and is within half an hour of Birmingham, and is in easy reach of the Midland motorway networks, as it is 1 mile from junction 10 of the M42. The M42 is the linking motorway for the M1 and the M6. Approximately half a mile from the church is Wilnecote railway station. Wilnecote railway station is primarily served by hourly CrossCountry services and is on the Nottingham (calling in at Derby) to Cardiff (calling in at New Street Station Birmingham) line. By linking to Tamworth, Birmingham, Derby, and Nottingham this makes the whole of the country accessible by train.

Thank you for taking the time to read our Parish Profile and hopefully we have given you enough information and God has given you guidance for this to be either your first parish to lead or your next parish to lead.

Population demographic's – Wilnecote Ward



Population demographic's – Belgrave Ward

