

## **The Revd Julie Wearing**



**Julie Wearing grew up in Birmingham, attending King Edward VI Grammar School for Girls, Handsworth. On leaving school, she studied for a HND Applied Biology at Sheffield City Polytechnic, followed by a degree in Applied Biology at Coventry Polytechnic.**

**In 1990, Julie began her career in the pharmaceutical industry initially as a medical representative and later in clinical research, working in patient drug trials in the areas of infertility, diabetes and multiple sclerosis. She worked in various roles over the next 16 years in project and line management, both locally and globally. In 2006, Julie became a consultant in quality management supporting companies in setting up of departments, performing audits and ensuring readiness for regulatory inspections. After nearly 20 years in the industry, following a call for ordination, Julie was selected for training for the priesthood.**

**Julie attended Cranmer Hall, St John's College, Durham, gaining a BA in Theology and Ministry in 2012 and was ordained that year. Julie served her curacy across 3 churches, predominantly Anglo catholic, in the multi cultural, urban parish of Upton cum Chalvey (Slough). Julie worked ecumenically and across different faiths, especially with the local grammar school. She continued her studies gaining an MA in Ministry and Theology from Cranmer in her first year of incumbency.**

**In 2015, Julie became the vicar for St Faith's church: an inclusive, urban church in the West End of Lincoln, offering a welcome to all. There she became involved in the two local schools, the local Scout group and various community groups. Additionally she was a volunteer chaplain to the police and the 204 Squadron Air Cadets.**

In 2020 due to COVID, a little delayed, Julie moved to become the vicar of St George's, Crosby, Scunthorpe arriving a week after the first lockdown. Extraordinary times meant she camped on the driveway for 3 days in her campervan whilst waiting 72 hours before unpacking, in order to reduce the risk of catching COVID (as others had packed her belongings).

St George's was an inclusive, urban church which was also a part of One Body, One Faith. The COVID pandemic, despite the gravity of the situation, provided an opportunity to be creative and the life-size nativity built by members of the congregation was one of the highlights as it became a backdrop for a carol service and somewhere where people could come and visit and leave prayers. Whilst in Scunthorpe, Julie became volunteer for Humberside Police and transferred to the 119 (Scunthorpe) Air Cadets.

On 2022, Julie stepped back from full-time ministry and moved to Barton-upon-Humber where she continued to be a volunteer chaplain to both Humberside Police and 119 (Scunthorpe) Air Cadets. Recently as volunteer Lead Chaplain to Humberside Police she became a trustee on the board of Police Chaplaincy UK. During this time, with Permission to Officiate, she supported the parish of St Mary's, Barton, the wider benefice and the deaneries of Yarborough and Manlake.

Julie loves being outdoors, has a campervan and enjoys walking and cycling. She plays the French Horn and has latterly taken up the tenor horn too. She plays with 3 bands: Barnetby Brass, Humber Wind Band and Scunthorpe Concert Orchestra: the latter had their largest and most successful concert in 2023 when they performed at the Plowright theatre, Scunthorpe. In her quieter moments, she loves to cross-stitch and knitting.