

CV for Tony Robinson

Tony Robinson is at present Bishop of Pontefract in the Diocese of Wakefield. He is 49 years old and married to Sue. They have three children William, Lucy and Matthew.

Tony was born and educated in Bedford. After leaving school he trained to be a Teacher and taught Mathematics and Computer Studies for two years in a comprehensive school in Chelmsford. He then went to train to be a priest in the Church of England.

His first parish was in Tottenham opposite the Spurs football ground. It was a very lively parish with a predominance of African and Caribbean people in the congregation and community.

He then moved to Leicester to a large team parish working alongside three other clergy and three nuns. The parish included three urban priority areas with all the associated social problems. During his time in Leicester Tony helped establish four community projects including an innovative project working with men who had committed domestic violence. During his twelve years in Leicester the parish had helped to secure over £1.5 million of funding to employ a number of community workers. The parish also contained a wonderful mix of peoples. The parish embraced the largest Hindu community in Britain as well as people from other faith communities.

During his time in Leicester Tony also became Rural Dean of part of the City and also a Canon of Leicester Cathedral.

In 1997 he moved to Yorkshire to be appointed Archdeacon of Pontefract and in 2002 he was consecrated Bishop of Pontefract.

Posts held:

1982-1985	Asst. Curate S. Paul's Tottenham, London
1985-1989	Team Vicar Parish of the Resurrection, Leicester
1989-1997	Team Rector Parish of the Resurrection, Leicester
1992-1997	Rural Dean Christianity North Deanery, Leicester
1994-1997	Honorary Canon, Leicester Cathedral
1997-2003	Archdeacon of Pontefract
2003 -	Bishop of Pontefract

Other responsibilities:

General Synod (1995 -1997 and 2000-2002)
Adviser on Inter Faith Issues

Interests:

Tony enjoys sport and the theatre.