



## Michael Brandsma



Category: Community

Appointing body: ATT 30/06/2020

Term of office: 4 years

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Responsibilities – Community

I am the vicar at St Mary's Atherstone. I am married to Sybil and we have 4 children and 4 grandchildren.

We moved to Atherstone in May 2014 when I was offered the post at St Mary's.

I moved to England in 2008 from Durban in South Africa and we were based in Warwick before moving to Bristol. The community of Atherstone has been very supportive of the work that we at St Mary's are doing to open up the building as a venue for a variety of community uses.

I currently participate in the assemblies at both Racemeadow and Outwoods Schools and have had various links to with TQEA. I am also the chaplain to Atherstone & District Scouts Association.

I believe that if a community nurtures its children with good foundations they will make the world a better place.

During the time that I have been in Atherstone I have seen the progress of the TQEA transition and the positive impression the pupils are portraying on the town. I look forward to my association with TQEA.