

Job Posting

Job Title: Priest-in-Charge (Full-Time)

Name of church or organization: St. Mark's & St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Churches

Location: Johnstown & Somerset, PA

Job Description:

The leaders of [St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#) in Johnstown, PA, and of [St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church](#) in Somerset, PA, are searching for a full-time Priest-in-Charge to serve both congregations and communities.

The two parishes will remain separate entities, with their own memberships, vestries, budgets, and services. However, they are looking forward to exploring, with their new priest, opportunities to gather for shared times of worship, fellowship, learning, prayer, and service.

St. Mark's and St. Francis each bring a rich heritage of traditions and community engagement to the partnership. St. Mark's runs an animal welfare ministry and welcomes visitors for *Community Common Prayer*. St. Francis invites food-insecure neighbors to a free summer barbecue and works with another Somerset church to offer a Vacation Bible School for local children.

Located 30 miles apart on the east side of the scenic Laurel Highlands, individuals and families in the region have access to a plethora of outdoor activities (such as hiking, fishing, rafting, skiing and biking), historical sites (including three National Park Services sites), higher education, cultural events, the Johnstown Symphony orchestra, and other attractions.

Conversation between St. Mark's and St. Francis about this shared call began in June 2023. After signing a Covenant of Explorative Partnership, each parish engaged in a self-study process and developed a Parish Profile. Their commitment to the partnership was recently affirmed by the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding outlining key aspects of how the parishes would work together, and with the Bishop's Office, toward a shared call. The people of St. Mark's and St. Francis in the Fields look forward to welcoming a Priest-in-Charge to join them in this partnership and to guide them in serving God, each other, and their communities.

Application Process:

Please send cover letter, OTM profile, and resumé/CV to The Rev. Canon Kimberly Karashin, Canon to the Ordinary and Transition Minister for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, at kkarashin@episcopalpgh.org. Cover letter should describe why you feel called to apply for the position and the gifts you will bring to it. Links to online sermons/services or copies of two written sermons would be helpful and appreciated.