

Merri Creek Anglican

Youth Ministry Trainee

Overview: Young people need Jesus, and there is a huge need for people who are willing to devote themselves to helping them meet him and grow in their love for him. Merri Creek Anglican Church (MCA) is responding to this need by providing an opportunity for a youth ministry trainee to work under the youth minister Tom French. This position is an exciting opportunity for someone who is enthusiastic about working with young people and considering a career in youth ministry.

Hours: 15 hrs/week (0.4 FTE)

Responsibilities:

- Assist in the planning, organising, and leadership of our combined youth group, youth ministry events, and programs under the leadership of the MCA Youth Minister.
- Lead a youth small group involving teaching Bible studies – building community, and providing pastoral care.
- Collaborate with the youth ministry team to develop teaching materials, and creative content for youth group and other youth ministry events.
- Preach at youth group and write a youth Bible study 2-3 times per year.
- Meet fortnightly with MCA Youth Minister for reflection and mentoring.
- Attend church weekly. Participate and lead in youth programs as necessary.
- Build relationships with youth and their families.
- Plan and lead a small ministry program for youth in consultation with the Youth Minister.

Qualifications:

- A strong commitment to Christian faith and values, with a passion for working with young people and helping them grow spiritually.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to connect with youth from diverse backgrounds.
- Capacity to work collaboratively within a team environment and desire to grow in leadership skills.
- Previous experience in youth ministry, volunteering, or leadership roles within a church or community setting is preferred but not essential.
- Must pass required police checks and Diocescen clearance process.
- Must have completed or be willing to complete Diocesen Safe Ministry training and comply with all MCA and Diocescen child safety standards.

Other Requirements:

- Availability to work flexible hours, including evenings, weekends, and occasional travel for camps or off-site events.
- Willingness to embrace and support the vision, mission, and values of Merri Creek Anglican.

Benefits:

- Hands-on experience in youth ministry within a supportive and nurturing environment.

- Mentorship and guidance from experienced ministry leaders.
- Excellent foundational experience and training for future youth ministry opportunities.
- Would suit someone doing or seeking to do formal ministry training in the future.

Reports to: The Youth Minister

Applications to be made with:

- cover letter
- brief CV
- two references

Send the application to the Senior Minister, Peter Carolane via email: peter@merricreek.org

Applications close: February 1st, 2024

For questions about the position please contact the Youth Minister:

Tom French: tom@merricreek.org

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