

Downing Street has today announced that the Queen has accepted the nomination of the Venerable Sarah Bullock as the next Bishop of Shrewsbury.

Sarah (55) trained for ministry at Cranmer Hall, University of Durham, a theological college in the evangelical tradition of the Church of England. She was ordained 26 years ago after a short career in teaching and children's and youth work in the Diocese of Manchester. She then served there in a variety of parish and diocesan roles including Bishop's Adviser for Women's Ministry and Borough Dean for the City and Borough of Manchester. She was made an Honorary Canon of Manchester Cathedral in 2007.

In 2013 Sarah was appointed Archdeacon of York, a largely rural area which includes market towns, the deep rural communities of the Vale of York and the edges of the Yorkshire Wolds as well as the City of York. Building relationships in the rural communities has been a vital part of supporting and encouraging the churches and she has worked creatively with colleagues to develop new approaches to mission and ministry in such communities. While Archdeacon she has also learned to drive a tractor, operated a milking parlour, led a Carol Service in a cowshed at Askham Bryan (Agricultural) College and ridden a racehorse!

For full details, see the Diocese of Lichfield website.

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