



Your name, age and original home village, town or city (the place where you grew up):

Answer: I am Kit Walker, 32 of Dover, in Kent.

The church in Blackburn Diocese where you are serving:

Answer: St Leonard's; Padiham and St Margaret's; Hapton.

Tell us about your family:

Answer: As well as my mother and father, brother and sister I have five nieces and nephews: all in New Zealand. My wife and I have two sons, aged 4 and 2.

Former job before entering ministry?:

Answer: I've had a few: IT Support, Chimney Sweep, Police Detention Officer, Gentlemen's outfitter, Ice Cream producer, Builder.

Why did you decide to get ordained?:

Answer: I have felt a call to full-time ministry since I was a teenager. As my understanding of ecclesiology and ordination developed, I felt this is where God was calling me.

What's been the best thing about your training?:

Answer: The chance to not just learn about who God is, but to allow this learning to turn to praise and worship.

What's the most important thing you have learned?:

Answer: The overwhelming distinction between God and people. This is fundamental to growing into more of a right relationship with Him.

Name the most influential person in your Christian life to date and, briefly, say why.

Answer: My sponsoring vicar taught me more about Christ, grace and how to minister to other people than anyone else – real practical theology.

Say something about your future role and how you hope to serve:

Answer: Preaching the word and bring the needs of the world before the Church in intercession. Accompanying those searching for faith and bring them to baptism. Assisting in administering the sacraments and ministering to the sick and housebound.

What would people not know about you that would surprise them?:

Answer: I'm an open book.

What would you say was your most significant personal achievement to date, either in ministry or before you embarked on your training?

Answer: Convincing anyone, let alone my amazing wife, to both marry me and stay married to me this last decade must top the 'personal achievement' list.

Favourite literary quote (it can be from the Bible or elsewhere) and why?:

Answers: 1 Timothy 1:15 – “Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst.”

Hamlet 1 V – “There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy.”

Churchill – It is a good thing for an uneducated man to read books of quotations.

Do you have any unfulfilled ambitions?:

Answer: Many.

What will you do to support the ongoing Diocesan Vision 2026 Healthy Churches Transforming Communities at parish level?

Answer: Encourage and strengthen the faith of those in the church through prayer and Bible study.

How would you express your own vision for the church?:

Answer: A living family of God where the disturbed are comforted, comfortable are disturbed, which grows in faith and number, and all around the truthful gospel of Christ's death and resurrection for our salvation.