



## **The Revd Mother Kate Hough**

Kate was born in Dover Military Hospital but it wasn't long until her family moved to Lincolnshire to be closer to her Mothers Family. Although she spent most of her time growing up in the rural villages of Lincolnshire on and off various family farms, she and her family also spent four years on and off living in Jasper, Alberta, Canada due to her Father being posted there as Army Liaison officer to the community. This bought many interesting experiences to her childhood including whitewater rafting, climbing, and how to find alternative routes whilst cycling to elementary school and discovering there is a bear or a herd of Elk in the path of your normal route. Kate made lifelong friends in Canada, whom she still enjoys seeing when they can.

Back in the UK Kate went to Secondary School in Grantham before heading off to boarding school known for its quality in helping children with SEN, in Market Rasen. Her parents eventually moving to that area resulting in Kate becoming a day pupil. Kate then attended Bangor, University studying a BA in English Linguistics. A challenge with her Dyslexia but something she greatly enjoyed studying. After graduation Kate entered a graduate management programme, and whilst she has had a varied career she has always enjoyed being in management where she can help train and develop peoples skills.

Although separated but the Atlantic Ocean Kate and her brother are close. He and his family living in Alabama hasn't stopped Kate from enjoying being an Aunty. Kate was very moved when her brother, sister-in-law and niece made it to the UK for her Ordination, and then in 2024 when they all came over again and Kate baptised her nephew at St Wulfram's Church.

As an Ordinand Kate studies through the context based system at St Mellitus College, Nottingham. This involved spending half the week in study and the other half on Placement at St Swithin's, Lincoln. Kate valued the combination of academic along side practical in-parish training and feels that this put her in a good place for starting her curacy as plant/revitalisation curate at St Wulfram's, Grantham.

Kate has a dog and two cats, and in her spare time enjoys getting out and going for long walks with her dog, Purdey. Her hobbies include being out in the countryside on long walks, or walking along the coastlines, reading, baking (especially Christmas cakes) and crafting especially fibre arts.