

Sarah Jones Biography

Bio One

Sarah was the first person to be ordained in the Church of England having previously made a gender change. In 2005 she was outed to the media. The story was covered in newspapers, radio, television and blogs throughout the world.

She ministered in Hereford Diocese for 14 years before becoming the vicar of central Cardiff in 2018. Sarah is an Honorary Canon of Llandaff Cathedral and an Honorary Associate of The School of History, Law and Social Sciences at Bangor University.

Sarah talks to organisations, groups and media about sex and gender, diversity and inclusion. In June 2021 Sarah was awarded a Pride Award by Attitude Magazine and in November 2021 she was the subject of a BBC World Service radio programme. Sarah is regularly featured in the Welsh LGBTQIA+ Pinc List.

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Bio Two

Sarah was the first person to be ordained in the Church of England having previously made a gender change. In January 2005 she hit the headlines when she was outed to a national newspaper as having made a gender change many years previously. The story was covered in many newspapers, television and radio stations and on web sites and blogs throughout the world.

Representatives from the media went to her parishes and asked people what they thought about having a curate who had made a 'sex-change'. The people and her Bishop supported her.

Sarah was ordained priest in September 2005 despite criticism from some conservative Christians - even on the morning of the ordination itself.

She is a contributor to national and local radio and television programmes as well as livestreams, blogs and webcasts.

Sarah now ministers in central Cardiff. She also speaks to conferences and groups on a range of topics including sex and gender, social influence, leadership and diversity, being your authentic self and about the importance of having good support from your employer. In June 2021 Sarah was awarded a Pride Award by Attitude Magazine and in November 2021 she was the subject of a BBC World Service radio programme.

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