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EXPLORERS

Is God calling you?



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ALM Specialisms



Children and Families Ministry

Training for those who have a passion for discipling children and their families, and developing their spirituality and faith.



Church Musician ALM

Training for those wanting to serve their church through music, service leading and preparation.



Evangelist ALM

Faith Empowered is designed to equip local lay leaders in evangelism, run in partnership with the Church Army.



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Pastoral Assistant ALM

Training to facilitate good and safe practice in general pastoral care within the church and community.



Preacher ALM

Training for those who an incumbent identifies as having potential to become an ALM preacher.



Social Justice ALM

For anyone who has ever wondered what Jesus might have meant when he taught us to pray, 'Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'



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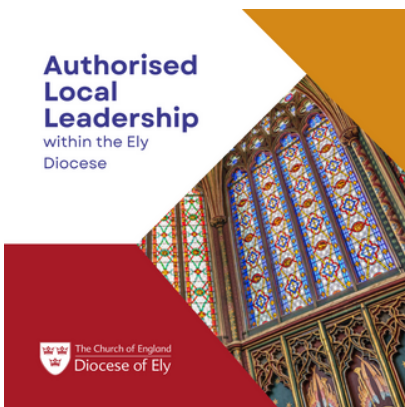
Worship Leader ALM

Training for those wanting to serve their church through music, service leading and preparation.



Youth and Families Ministry

Training with a specialism for working with young people and families.



Authorised Local Leadership

Local Leaders are key contacts in the Parish, with a significant role in helping to develop the gifts of the whole congregation, and to help the church grow in its mission and ministry.



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Anna Chaplaincy

Anna Chaplains offer spiritual care in later life, supporting older people and their carers wherever they may be.



Homelessness Chaplaincy

Homelessness Chaplaincy offers a ministry of presence, of advocacy, of service, of Word and Sacrament to those experiencing homelessness.



School Chaplaincy

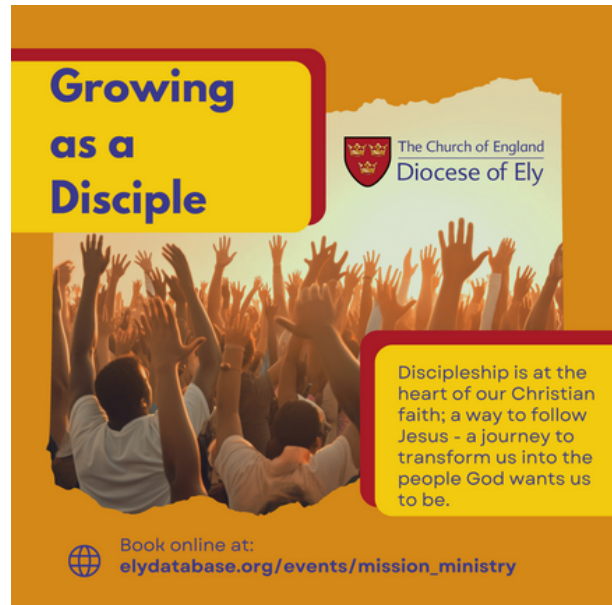
Authorised Chaplaincy Assistants give pastoral and social support; spiritual and ethos development; Christian presence; and support the development of theological understanding in school.



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Growing as a Disciple

This course is about deepening our personal faith and raising our awareness of how God might be calling us to contribute our abilities and time to our churches. We hope that it will also generate enthusiasm and confidence to express our faith as we seek to live as Christ's disciples in our communities, workplaces and in the wider world.



In Growing as a Disciple, we delve into the Bible, getting the big story of the way God has worked in the lives of very ordinary people to bring about his purposes and our salvation. We zoom in to look at particular stories and ask, where are we in this story, and what about our journey of faith?

Course structure

The course is made up of ten sessions each lasting two hours:

- Introduction to Growing as a Disciple
- Prayer: The Language of faith
- The Old Testament story of faith: Abraham to Joshua
- The Old Testament story of faith: Joshua to the exile
- The Old Testament story of faith: Exile to John the Baptist
- The New Testament story of faith: Jesus
- The New Testament story of faith: The gospel explodes
- The church: The community of faith
- Mission: The response of faith
- The next step: Living as fruitful disciples



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Introduction to Theology for Ministry

This new course is required learning for those undertaking the Preaching ALM specialism, (instead of the Growing as a Disciple Course).

It may also be a requirement for those looking for LLM selection.

The course consists of 15 Sessions and will include accessible assignments:

Sessions 1-5 -

Introducing Biblical theology

Sessions 6-10 - Exploring key doctrines

Sessions 11-15 - Ethics and contemporary issues

Ministry Discernment Group

A monthly group for those exploring ordination or LLM selection. These group meetings aim to help you to decide and also to prepare.

Four Sessions that are focused on candidates sharing with one another.

Each session asks for some preparatory work to enable candidates to share during the session.

Session 1 - One Body: the ministry of the whole church

Session 2 - Ministry and Mission in the Church of England

Session 3 - Prayer and Proclamation

Session 4 - Your Vocation



For more information on these courses, contact the Vocations Team on vocations@elydiocese.org



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LLM Specialisms

Licensed Lay Ministers (LLMs) are lay people who come from all walks of life. LLMs lead God's people in worship, preach, and equip the congregation to more closely follow Christ.

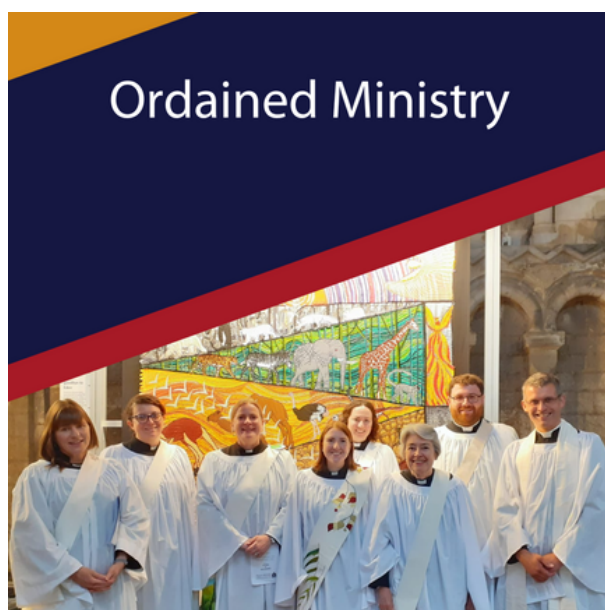
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Specialisms include:

Reader
Children and Families
Community Justice and Peace
Pastoral
Pioneer
Youth and Families



Ordained Ministry



Deacons and Priests are called to build up the church in love and enable it to reach out in service.

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