



DIOCESE OF ST ALBANS

CMD WORKSHOP 2012 PROGRAMME

For all in licensed ministry
in the Diocese of St Albans

**CMD
2012**

Introduction

Welcome to the Diocese of St Albans CMD (Continuing Ministerial Development) Programme for 2012.

This booklet contains details of diocesan workshops and events aimed at all those who are in licensed and ordained ministry, clergy and Readers. It also includes links to other bodies, which offer training events. We hope that you will find something enjoyable and helpful in your ministry.

Most of the events advertised here are limited only by the size of the building; places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Feel free to sign up as early as you like. We will inform those who are unsuccessful and put them on a reserve list. If you find you are unable to attend an event, please let us know as soon as possible so that your place can be allocated to someone else. We will send out final programmes and venue details for each event, usually by email, about a month beforehand.

Booking information is given with the details for each event. For some, please use the booking form accompanying this booklet; for others, wait for further information and individual booking forms, or book directly with the appropriate study centre. Some events are limited by numbers so you may wish to make your booking as soon as you get this programme. But please remember you are welcome to book into a course at any stage through the year.

Out of courtesy to our speakers and to help us make appropriate arrangements for each event, please contact us immediately should you find you have to cancel a booking.

It is occasionally possible that the time or venue for a particular event may have to change. We will keep you informed of any changes, but if you want to confirm arrangements for an event please do get in touch.

Learning for Discipleship (LfD) events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles.

Curates and Readers in IME 4-7, please refer to the letter accompanying this programme.

Also, please don't forget to look at our website from time to time for lots of other training opportunities:

[Click here for other trainings](#)

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Diocesan Events

Safeguarding, Working with Children and Vulnerable Adults

Wednesday 11 January
At St Mark's Church,
Bedford
[Maplink](#)

Led by Chris Lees, Diocesan Child Protection Officer

This is an issue which everyone should be up to date with. Chris will offer two opportunities to make sure you are aware of current safeguarding guidelines and good practice. This workshop will be repeated on 28th April.
Book using the accompanying booking form.

IME 4-7 Curates' Conference

Saturday 21 January
10.00 am - 4.00 pm
At the Rufus Centre,
Flitwick
[Maplink](#)

Organised by Ysmena Pentelow, Officer for IME 4-7

The first of the two required study days for curates in IME 4-7. Full details of the day will be sent separately to all curates in IME 4-7. The day conference will include some input and discussion led by Dr Pete Phillips (Durham University), as well as a variety of workshops. More details to follow

LfD Old Testament Workshop - Psalms

Saturday 4 February
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
At St Mary's Church Hall,
Goldington
[Maplink](#)

Led by Alison Gray, Cambridge University (currently finishing her PhD on the Psalms)

A day workshop exploring the Psalms. The Psalms are the heart of Anglican daily prayer and a sacred record of the heartfelt prayers, poetry and liturgy of Israel. The day will provide helpful ways of reading and understanding the Psalms.
LfD events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles. Please book using the accompanying booking form.

Capability & Grievance under Common Tenure

Thursday 1st March
10.00 am - 1.00 pm
At St Andrew's Church,
Bedford
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Venerable Trevor Jones, Archdeacon of Hertford and The Revd Canon Dr Dennis Stamps, Director of Ministry

Common Tenure has introduced two new processes which Clergy may be subject to or use. The workshop will explain the processes and explore their purpose in order to ensure office holders are informed and understand these new procedures.
Book using the accompanying booking form.

Readers' Study Day

Saturday 10th March
9.30 am - 5.30 pm
At St Nicholas' Church,
Barton le Clay
[Maplink](#)

Organised by the Diocesan Readers' Association

A day to for spiritual reflection and development for all Readers and Readers in Training led by The Revd Sarah Burrow.
Invitations for this will be sent out by the Readers Association.

Interfaith Challenges Today

Tuesday 13th March
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
At St Peter's Church,
London Colney
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Revd Nadim Nassar, Director of Awareness Foundation and St. John Wright, Education Director of Awareness Foundation

Living in a multi-faith, multi-cultural society is a great privilege but also a challenge. The day will explore how we can be more confident as Christians yet respectful and accepting of this diversity. There will also be an opportunity to look at resources for the church in this area.
Book using the accompanying booking form.

Tackling Poverty Together

Tuesday 13th March
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
At St Nicholas' Church Hall,
Barton-le-Clay
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Revd Dr Andrew Coleby, Diocesan Social Responsibility Officer

This workshop follows the St Albans & Hertford Archdeaonries' study day, and will make some of that material available to Bedfordshire clergy and lay leaders. It will **also** provide fresh resources and ideas for tackling poverty and transforming communities.
Further information will be in the Bundle.

LfD Workshop: Cranmer and the BCP - Book of Common Prayer

Saturday 24th March
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
At St Nicholas' Church Hall,
Barton-le-Clay
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Revd Jeanette Gosney, Parish Development Officer

The day will include: the history and development of Cranmer's prayer book; worship using Cranmer's prayer book; the doctrine and language in worship, and Cranmer's Prayer book and Anglican worship today.
LfD events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles. Please book using the accompanying booking form.

Writing Role Descriptions – Common Tenure

Tuesday 17th April
10.00 am—1.00 pm
At St Andrew's,
Biggleswade
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Venerable Trevor Jones, Archdeacon of Hertford and The Revd Canon Dr Dennis Stamps, Director of Ministry

Under Common Tenure, all licensed clergy as office holders with a Statement of Particulars will also require a Role Description. This workshop will explain the process and how to compose a Role Description. *(This workshop will be repeated on 8th May in the south of the diocese.)*
Book using the accompanying booking form.

LfD Workshop: Contemporary Christian Ethics

Saturday 21st April
At The Diocesan Office, St Albans
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Revd David Lindsay, Reader Training Officer, Portsmouth Diocese and The Revd Dr Andrew Colby, Diocesan Social Responsibility Officer

An opportunity to explore Christian ethics from a theological and practical perspective. Theory will be applied to a variety of topical practical contexts. The day will include presentations, workshops, and discussion.
LfD events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles. Please book using the accompanying booking form.

Safeguarding, Working with Children and Vulnerable Adults

Saturday 28 April
At The Diocesan Office, St
Albans
[Maplink](#)

Led by Chris Lees, Diocesan Child Protection Officer

This is an issue which everyone should be up to date with. Chris will offer two opportunities to make sure you are aware of current safeguarding guidelines and good practice. This workshop will also be run on 11th January 2012.
Book using the accompanying booking form.

Writing Role Descriptions - Common Tenure

Tuesday 8th May
10.00 am - 1.00 pm
At St Mary's, North Mymms
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Venerable Trevor Jones, Archdeacon of Hertford and The Revd Canon Dr Dennis Stamps, Director of Ministry

Under Common Tenure, all licensed clergy as office holders with a Statement of Particulars will require a Role Description as well. This workshop will explain the process and how to compose a Role Description. *(This workshop is also held on 17th April in the north of the diocese.)*
Book using the accompanying booking form.

Getting the most from Reviews (MDR)

Thursday 24th May
10.00 am - 1.00 pm
At All Saints, Datchworth
[Maplink](#)

Led by **Andrea Groom**, who is a professional coach and a private consultant for management, leadership, and team development within the healthcare and social services and within the church.

Reviews have become standard practice within most organisations and are now 'required' under Common Tenure for ministers. This workshop is aimed to help you consider how to make the most of the process for your own personal and professional development.
Probably not suitable for IME 4-7 or Readers.
Book using the accompanying booking form.

Quiet Day Leader Resourcing Day

Saturday 9th June
10.30 am - 3.00 pm
At St Mary's, Redbourn
[Maplink](#)

Organised by Diocesan Initiatives in Spirituality
Led by The Revd Sarah Burrow

A day offering teaching and input for those who offer the Ministry of Quiet Day Leadership. Cost: £7.50. Please bring your own lunch. Please contact Sarah to book a place: 01234771317, sarah.burrow@btinternet.com

The Bishop's Summer Conference

Monday 25 - Thursday 28th
June
At The Hayes Conference
Centre, Swanwick.
[Maplink](#)



Equipped
Meeting the Challenge of Mission and Ministry

The Summer Conference will be an opportunity for Stipendiary clergy and SSMs to study and be resourced, but also to get to know each other better, to worship together, to have space for reflection and to have fun. The speakers are: Professor Alistair McGrath and The Revd Canon Prof. Martyn Percy, with The Revd Prof. Canon Loveday Alexander leading the Bible Study.
Invitations will be sent out in the Spring.

<p>IME 4-7 Curates' Conference</p> <p>Saturday 14 July 9.30 am - 3.30 pm At St Stephen's Church, St Albans Maplink</p>	<p>Organised by Revd Ysmena Pentelow, Officer for IME 4-7</p> <p>The second of the two required study days for curates in IME 4—7. <i>Full details will be sent out nearer the time.</i></p>
<p>Diocesan Silent Retreat</p> <p>Wed 25th - Fri 27th July At The Claret Centre, Buckdon Towers, St Neots, Cambs Maplink</p>	<p>Organised by Diocesan Initiatives in Spirituality Led by The Revd Canon Anna Matthews</p> <p>Further details to follow in the Bundle and via email. Contact for bookings: Revd Terrance Bell, 01462 768123.</p>
<p>Diocesan Day for Spiritual Refreshment and Quiet</p> <p>Friday 17th August 10.00 am - 3.30 pm At The Chapter House, Renhold Parish Church, Beds Maplink</p>	<p>Organised by Diocesan Initiatives in Spirituality</p> <p>Now an annual event, offering time and space to reflect on the walk and journey through life with God. Further details for booking to follow in the Bundle and via email.</p>
<p>LfD Workshop Doctrine</p> <p>Saturday 22nd September 10.00 am - 3.00 pm At High Town Methodist Church, Luton Maplink</p>	<p>Led by the Revd Dr David Munchin, Team Rector of the Welwyn Team and author of <i>Is Theology a Science?</i></p> <p>The day will look at the sources for doing theology: scripture, tradition and reason. <i>LfD events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles. Please book using the accompanying booking form.</i></p>
<p>Influencing Skills: Difficult People</p> <p>Wednesday 26th September 10.00 am - 1.00 pm At At All Saints, Datchworth Maplink</p>	<p>Led by Andrea Groom, who is a professional coach and a private consultant for management, leadership, and team development within the healthcare and social services and within the church.</p> <p>All of us have to work with difficult people in life and ministry. In volunteer organisations like the church, the ability and skills needed to influence and deal with difficult people are very important. This workshop will present specific ideas about how to 'influence' difficult people and give you the opportunity to consider how to apply it to a specific situation you are facing. <i>Book using the accompanying booking form.</i></p>

Exploring Spirituality Day 2012

Saturday 29th September
In Hertford Archdeaconry
(Venue t.b.a.)

Organised by Diocesan Initiatives in Spirituality

The annual Exploring Spirituality Day that moves around the Archdeaconries returns again to Hertford Archdeaconry. Further details to follow in the Bundle and via the Diocesan website.

Making Choices - Calling or Career

Thursday 11th October
10.00 am - 1.00 pm
At St Mary's, North Mymms
[Maplink](#)

Led by Christine Blackie, an independent careers professional and counsellor who works with clergy and other professions

It seems that clergy do not readily acknowledge the secular terminology of "career" with regard to calling and vocation, and yet research suggests that we draw on many of the same skills, attitudes and behaviours as any other professional when managing the direction of our ministry. Mindful of individual calling and vocation, this workshop aims to raise awareness of those career-related tasks which can help you make more informed choices at different stages of your ministry.

Book using the accompanying booking form.

Godly Play Retreat

Mid-October
At The Claret Centre,
Buckdon Towers, St Neots,
Cambs
[Maplink](#)

Organised by Diocesan Initiatives in Spirituality

Further details to follow in the Bundle and via email. Contact for bookings: Rev'd Terrance Bell, 01462 768123.

The Bishop's Autumn Conference

Friday 19th - Sunday 21st
October
At High Leigh Conference
Centre, Hoddesdon.
[Maplink](#)



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The Autumn Conference is for Readers, SSMs, Active Retired Clergy and those clergy who were unable to attend the Summer Conference. It will be an opportunity to study and be resourced, but also, to get to know each other better, to worship together, to have space for reflection and to have fun. The speakers are: The Revd Janes Hedges, Canon of Westminster and Mark Russell, Chief Executive of the Church Army.

(LfD) Workshop on Luke's Gospel

Saturday 10th November
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
At St Nicholas' Church,
Barton le Clay
[Maplink](#)

Led by The Revd Dr Michael B Thompson, Vice-Principal and Lecturer in New Testament Studies, Ridley Hall, Cambridge

The lectionary Gospel for the coming Christian year is Luke. This day is designed to deepen your knowledge for preaching.

LfD events are open to all clergy, Readers and those in lay ministry roles. Please book using the accompanying booking form.

The Mission Challenge of Rural Ministry

Tuesday 27th November
10.00 am - 1.00 pm
At The Chapter House,
Flitwick
[Maplink](#)

Led by Canon Dr Jill Hopkinson, National Rural Officer for the Church of England

Rural ministry is changing because the context and nature of farming and rural life is changing. What are the challenges? How can we find effective mission and ministry strategies that respond to the changing context? The workshop will provide a chance to explore these themes together.

Book using the accompanying booking form.

Christian Giving and Stewardship

Geoff Fletcher, Diocesan Stewardship Development Officer, is very willing to visit clergy and other ministry and parish groups to make presentations / lead discussions on aspects of Christian Giving and Stewardship, with either a practical and / or a more theological focus in mind. Such sessions can be arranged for various groups (individuals, parish leadership groups, PCCs, Deanery Chapters, Deaneries, CME groups ...). Please contact Geoff on gffletcher@stalbans.anglican.org or telephone 01727 818141 to enquire further.

Events led by other centres of learning in the diocese

BELIEF

<http://www.beliefbedford.weebly.com>

Please check BELIEF's website throughout the year for information about their events.

Learning Together

Learning Together will be running the Diocesan Learning for Discipleship programme.

Contact The Revd Dr David Munchin for more information:

Email: davidmunchin@talktalk.net

St Albans Centre for Christian Studies

<http://www.christianstudies.org.uk/>

For information about the Centre's programme in 2011, please look at their website and apply direct to the Centre. You can download the form through the website. The Centre also offers longer courses, including the St Albans Certificate in Theology. Check the website for further information.
