

CMD PROGRAMME

Continuing Ministerial Development



January to July 2024

Training and development opportunities for everyone in the Diocese of Exeter. Including clergy, license lay ministers and lay people.



Dear Colleagues

I like feedback, even when it's critical, because only those who care give feedback. So, thank you to those who care enough about training to say that we need to plan further ahead so that you can get dates in your diary.

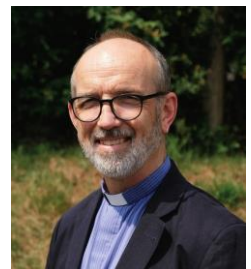
This CMD brochure covers the next six months, and we are aiming for the next one to cover the 2024/25 academic year. We've also heard the feedback that says 'it's too far away and takes too much time' so we're offering some hour long bitsize events on zoom on some very specific subjects.

We are also looking for a way to build up a bank of recorded training and other resources which you can access whenever suits you. We are not giving up on 'in person' training as that is still the gold standard for learning from one another, and, however far away, the transport routes to Exeter are still good.

If you are aware of a need for a particular training in your deanery or Archdeaconry, please let me know and we will come to you. If you have read this far, you clearly do care, so please let me know what would help you develop in your role(s) and if there's anything the Department of Mission and Ministry can do to make that happen.

Revd Preb Ian Bussell

Director of Mission and Ministry



How to book onto CMD COURSES

When you have decided which courses you would like to attend, please complete the online booking form:

exeter.anglican.org/ministry/ordained-ministry/continuing-ministerial-development-clergy/

Children, Families and Youth Ministry

<https://exeter.anglican.org/resources/children-young-people/newsletters/training-and-events/>

GROW Courses

<https://exeter.anglican.org/ministry/lay-ministry/lay-learning/>

OTHER TRAININGS AND EVENTS Please note that training offered by other organisations will have different booking systems and may incur payment.

General Information

All courses are opened to all, lay and ordained apart from those specified.

In order to give us time to send you a Zoom code, please note that bookings close 24 hours before events (or on a Friday for Monday events).

Our webinars and trainings cost time and money to run, so please consider carefully when booking if you will be able to take up your place and if you are not able to attend for any reason please let us know in good time. Thank you.

If you have any problems or queries,
please contact mandm@exeter.anglican.org

Tel: 01392 294918

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Thursday 27 th June	Trauma-informed Ministry

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Wednesday 3 rd July	Reflective Practice Taster Session
Wednesday 10 th July	Comms: Story Telling and working with the Media

Children, Families & Youth Ministry

It's A Christening!

Thursday 7th March

10am- 1pm

An interactive workshop, using national research and our shared experiences to explore ways we can develop baptism ministry teams and create engaging baptism services. This session will help to grow our relationships with baptism families, helping them to know they are loved by God and have a place with the people of God. You will leave smiling and with ideas to put into practice.

Joanne has at different times been an Early Years Practitioner, Children and Families Minister, and Team Vicar alongside wife, mum (grandma), spaniel lover, sea swimmer and red wine drinker.

Joanne's current role is Senior Children and Families Connector in the Diocese of Gloucester encouraging, enabling and resourcing our mission and ministry with children, households and communities across the diocese. I once described myself as licenced to play and this hasn't changed, I come to my Christian faith with an open heart willing to wonder, question, create, experiment, imagine and ultimately encounter God in the risen Christ.

Sharon is a qualified Secondary school teacher who has been involved in children's work with all ages for three decades with a passion for reaching out and supporting others. Being in role as Children and Families and Mission Enabler for a year, Sharon is keen to provide training that will support connections between churches and their communities.

VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Sharon Blyth and Joanne Wetherall

Making our Children and Families work accessible to all

Wednesday 28th February

10am-2pm

Claire and Mark will be sharing theological truths and practical ideas on how to make the church more accessible to our children.

and families and suggest ways we can serve and support young people with additional needs. You will go away equipped and enabled to work more effectively with the younger generation and their families.

Course will be limited to a maximum of 20. All welcome including clergy, children's workers, volunteers, and parents.

Claire is an ordained curate in Torquay, who has a heart to make church more suitable to all. Claire tells us, "For people who live with disabilities, the world can be a difficult and hostile place. The church has the opportunity to be a place in which those who live with disabilities are prioritised so that the fullness of their humanity and gifts might be received and celebrated."

Mark Arnold is co-founder of the 'Additional Needs Alliance' a collective of organisations, children's & youth workers, parents and more who share a passion for making a positive difference for children and young people with additional needs. He is a 'Churches for All' partner, a member of the 'Council for Disabled Children' and 'Living Fully' and serves on the executive for 'Children Matter!' Mark has over 20 years of youth work experience and is the father of James, a boy with Autism.

VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Led by Claire Reynolds and Mark Arnold of Urban Saints

Disabilities and Additional Needs

Wednesday 20th March

7.30-9pm

Claire is offering two training sessions for our programme:

On 20th March she will host a session via zoom which will be focused on our church buildings and church services, and how really small changes can make a big difference to those with disabilities and additional needs.

On Wednesday 8th May, there will be a full day on offer in Exeter, where a variety of specialist speakers and experts from across the country will be on hand. Training will be on offer from specialists in Children's and Youth Work, and those who work with adults with disabilities and additional needs. Nigel Pratt will also talk us through what is involved in the process of applying to make physical changes to our churches, to make them more accessible.

Claire Reynolds is the Diocesan Advisor on disabilities and additional needs. She is also a curate in her second year of training, based at St Matthias Church in Torquay. She is married with two teenage children, one of whom is autistic. She is passionate about inclusion and accessibility for all in our worshipping communities.

VENUE: **via Zoom**

LED BY: Rev Claire Reynolds

Walk through the Bible

11th, 12th and 13th March

10am-3:30pm

An opportunity to upskill your storytelling skills and connect with local schools and your community. This course is suitable for all who have a heart for reaching children and sharing the Bible. Attendance at all three is essential to complete the course.

A donation of £50 is suggested. If you are unable to make a donation, please contact: mandm@exeter.anglican.org

VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

Refreshments will be provided but please bring your own lunch

LED BY: Walk through the Bible

Four Ideas for Ensuring Every Child Has a Chance to Explore Jesus

Tuesday 11th June

How do we ensure children have an opportunity to explore Jesus? With increasing numbers of children growing up outside of a Christian faith, join us to explore four creative ideas for mobilising our churches to give every child a chance to explore Jesus.

LED BY: CPAS

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Spree South West 2024

21-23 June 2024

Spree SW is a hugely popular camping and activity weekend at the end of June for young people aged from 8 to 17 who come as part of an organised group from their church or Christian youth and children's group. We provide a complete programme of activities throughout the weekend to suit all interests, including five high-quality spiritual programmes for different age-groups.

LED BY: SYMN

CONTACT: Please see website for more information swym.org.uk/events/

Mission, engagement and environment

Four Principles for Creating Pathways to Faith

Thursday 8th February

There are as many pathways to faith as there are people, but identifying clear pathways helps people navigate their journey to faith. What would such pathways look like for people in your context? Join us for our top four principles and loads of ideas of possible pathways.

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**

www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Story Telling and working with the Media

Wednesday 13th March

7pm – 9pm

This webinar will take you through the basics of writing a press release and getting good media coverage. It will also cover working with the media at difficult times.

VENUE: Via Zoom

LED BY: Comms Team

Five Insights to Help You Equip Your Congregation to Share Their Faith

Tuesday 16th April

Long for a congregation where the majority are clear about their role in faith-sharing, able to speak appropriately about the difference their faith makes, and motivated 'to make the most of every opportunity' that comes their way? Then join us as we delve into five practical insights that lead to...

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**

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EcoChurch Celebration

Sunday 28th April

12:30-3:30pm



A celebration of the Eco Church Award Scheme in the Diocese of Exeter

An afternoon event celebrating the Eco Church scheme in Devon. We will hear from Dave Bookless from A Rocha and success stories from churches around the diocese. Come along and be inspired to take action in your parish and mission. The Right Reverend Bishop Jackie of Crediton will be honouring new Eco Churches at every level by presenting them with their awards during the afternoon. There will be an eco update from the diocese as well as a variety of displays and stalls from organisations working across the diocese.

Delegates are very welcome to stay on for Evensong at the Cathedral focused on caring for creation led by Rev'd Canon Cate Edmonds from 4pm.

Booking via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ecochurch-celebration-tickets-789190007557>

VENUE: Exeter Cathedral, EX1 1HS

LED BY: EcoChurch

CONTACT: Sarah Charker

Developing your Church Communications Strategy

Thursday 25th April

2pm-4pm

This practical webinar will help you develop an effective and achievable communications strategy for your church or mission community, covering all aspects of church communication in a realistic way.

VENUE: Via Zoom

LED BY: Comms Team

Journey of Generosity

Tuesday 4th June

10am-4pm

Join Rev. Jeremy Putnam (Mission Enabler) and Brigit Kiyaga (Mission Resources Advisor) for a one day 'Journey of generosity' retreat at the Millhouse Retreat centre in Tiverton. During this Journey of Generosity

(JOG) we will explore real-life stories of generous givers from around the world, study what the Bible has to say about giving, and walk through some activities together and alone. We will be using the resources from Generosity Path and join thousands of others who have engaged with a conversation about faith, life and money! Doors will be open at 10:00, and we will close the day at 16:00. Reserve your space by Thursday the 16th of May and please let us know your dietary requirements. (The available spots are limited to 12, with a minimum requirement of 8 participants.)

Brigit Kiyaga is the Mission Resources Advisor in the Diocese of Exeter and, with her team, promotes generosity and giving in Devon. Brigit grew up in the Netherlands, where she graduated as Social Worker, worked in Brazil, South Africa, Namibia and Kenya and has family living all over the globe. In 2011 she arrived in the UK, where she studied Applied Theology and went on to work in a school, retreat centre and as a self-employed bookkeeper and graphic designer. She is married to Rev. Nathan Kiyaga, has four children (Samantha, Esther, Abigail and Isaiah) and frequently hosts language students. When the children are all asleep she is off for a swim, reads a book, or catches up with the household chores!

VENUE: Mill House Retreat, Westleigh, Tiverton EX16 7ES

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Rev Jeremy Putnam and Brigit Kiyaga

Planning your Christmas Communications Campaign

Wednesday 5th June

7pm-9pm

What is your message for Advent and Christmas 2024 and who do you want to hear it? This webinar is a step-by-step guide to planning all your church Lent and Easter communications in an engaging and stress free way

VENUE: Via Zoom

LED BY: Comms Team

Story Telling and working with the Media

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2pm-4pm

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LED BY: Comms Team

People and Pastoral

Reflective Practice Taster Session

Wednesday 7th February

2 - 5pm

Why reflective practice?

Parish life is full of complex dynamics and unpredictable situations. Roles, boundaries and structures are often unclear. Expectations on clergy can be high and burnout a possibility. Reflecting with others can help you learn from experience about yourself and your network of relationships. Time to reflect in a group brings you support and encouragement – you are not alone.

What is a Reflective Practice Group?

Four to five people supported by an independent group facilitator where conversations and questions emerge and are explored on issues brought by the members.

Participants explore areas of experience including:

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What happens on a taster day?

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VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

LED BY: Jane Stalvert

For Clergy Only

Transforming Conversations (4 day course)

Monday 26th February 9am-5pm

Tuesday 27th February 9am-5pm

Wednesday 1st May 9am-5pm

Thursday 2nd May 9am-5pm

Transforming Conversations is a professional training in coaching skills designed by 3D coaching and delivered under licence in the Diocese of Exeter by Ian Bussell and Mike Williams. Coaching is essentially the skill of helping someone think through their stuff in their own way. It's a core skill for anyone enabling and empowering the ministry of others. This four day course is learning through practice so that, like learning to ride a bike, what feels clunky at first becomes part of your practice by day four.

Who is this for?

Anyone who thinks they may have the heart and the time to offer coaching to others in the diocese. Anyone in a supervisory role such as training incumbents, rural/area deans and team leaders. Others have said 'this has transformed the way I work', 'the best course I've done', 'so helpful for ministry'. *Ian Bussell is the new Director of Mission and Ministry. He trained as a teacher and then as a psychotherapist before ordination. He has had two parish roles where he has been a training incumbent. In the last few years he has developed coaching and mindfulness in the diocese of Gloucester.*

VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Rev Ian Bussell and Rev Mike Williams

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VENUE: Via Zoom

LED BY: Rev Claire Reynolds

GROW Pastoral Care

Wednesday 17th & 24th April and 1st & 8th May 2024 (4 sessions)

7.30-9pm

Pastoral Care Love is at the very heart of who and what we are as Christians. Our friends, families, neighbours and colleagues are drawn into this love. In the words of the first epistle of John; 'Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God' (1 John 4:7). This love can be realised through the care we show for other people, just as Jesus cared for so many people throughout his time on Earth. The purpose of this course is to try and think through what it means to follow Jesus' example of love and care today. This learning is spread across four sessions

VENUE: via Zoom

LED BY: Jon Curtis

CONTACT: Jon Curtis

BOOKING: [Click here](#) to sign up for a Grow Course.

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Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Rev Claire Reynolds

Trauma-informed Ministry:

Reflecting on COVID and moving forward in a changed world

Thursday 27th June

10am-3.30pm

Trauma-informed Ministry: Reflecting on Covid and moving forward in a changed world

It's clear that even 2 years on from the pandemic many ministers are still feeling a sense of being 'bone-tired and emotionally drained'*. Experiences vary enormously and not everyone will be feeling the same way. And although we have come through the worst of the pandemic, the legacy of it is still being felt by us all, and exacerbated by having to face into challenges of rebuilding and pressure to move forwards with strategies for growth and pastoral reorganisation. And all in the context of wider concerns such as cost of living crisis and social inequalities, impacts of climate change, political instability and war in Europe and the Middle East... no wonder our anxieties and stress levels are high, and just at a time when we find our capacity to cope with all of this is diminished and demands on us as leaders and members of churches are more fraught.

It's not a situation that is going to be resolved easily or quickly so how can we resource ourselves for the long haul and give ourselves the best chance of finding courage and creativity to deal with the challenges and with one another without burning out or breaking apart?

In this interactive and experiential workshop we will look at:

- our current context - where do we find ourselves now, whether personally, as ministers or collectively as churches?
- how we can make good use of recent developments in **trauma theory** and neurobiology to help us understand what happens to us in our body and brain when we are dealing with trauma or experiencing chronic stress, anxiety and conflict;

- how we can move from being at the mercy of our difficult emotions and anxieties, simply **re-acting** to people and situations, to being able to **regulate** ourselves and **respond** in a more considered and creative way;
- how we can better accompany others in pastoral ministry through times of trauma, anxiety and conflict;
- Where is God in all of this? What are the connections between our understanding and experiences of trauma and our **biblical and faith resources**?

Workshop Reviews:

I would recommend this course. It was well presented using a mix of teaching from listening to interactive. The material is grounded in serious exploration of trauma from a number of disciplines including Theology. A really helpful overview of trauma - for individuals, for churches and communities, and for ourselves. Plus plenty of signposts if we want to explore further.

** Bp Julie Conalty the Bishop of Birkenhead tweeted last year, "Reflecting on the trauma of the last 2 years and how little space there has been to heal, it's not as simple as 'now return to normal' – we are bone tired and emotionally drained".*

The Rev Hilary Ison

Hilary has been in licensed lay ministry since 1980 and ordained ministry since 1987 in parish and sector ministry, theological education and from 2008-2017 as a National Adviser for Selection in the Bishops' Advisory Panels for ordained ministry.

She gained further qualifications in Organisational Consultancy and Systems Leadership (MA, Tavistock Clinic 2002) and as a practitioner in Systems Constellations (2017): www.systemicconstellations.com

Her interest in building resilience in congregations and ministers has been informed through participation in a research project (2017-20) looking at how better to prepare ministers to cope with tragedy and trauma in congregations. This has resulted in the development of resources and delivery of training days for ordinands and curates, and, during the Covid Pandemic, providing on-line workshops for those in ministry.

Hilary is a Trustee of St Luke's for Clergy Wellbeing.

<https://tragedyandcongregations.org.uk>
<https://ison.systems>



VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

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LED BY: Rev Hilary Ison

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LED BY: Jane Stalvert

For Clergy Only

Vocation, Faith and spirituality

Called By Name

Monday 12th February

and repeated on

Monday 17 June

7:30-9pm

The date for the next Called by Name vocations enquiry event is Monday 12th February on Zoom 7.30pm-9pm and will be run by Rev'd Hannah Mears who is our Vocations Development Officer. If you know someone in your parish or chaplaincy context who is beginning to consider a call to ministry, whether lay or ordained, please encourage them to take this first step in finding out more. There will be space to reflect on God's calling, to hear from different speakers about different ministry avenues and opportunity to ask questions.

"Just wanted to say how much I enjoyed last night - it was brilliant and really, really helpful to hear from others already in lay and ordained ministry positions."

For booking please email: mandm@exeter.anglican.org

VENUE: via Zoom

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: Rev Hannah Mears

Moving On

Tuesday 30th April

For clergy seeking a new post. This online, forum-style, event will offer clergy insights into the tricky subject of moving jobs.

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Worship and preaching

Experimenting with Form in Preaching

Saturday 27 January

10.00am

VENUE: Trinity College, Bristol, BS9 1JP

COSTS Ordinands £35; ministry student, £30

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Preaching on and Through Music

Saturday 10 February

10.30am

VENUE: on-line via Zoom

COSTS Ordinands £12; ministry student, £10

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Preaching at Funerals

Monday 12 February

10.30am

VENUE: on-line via Zoom

COSTS Ordinands £12; ministry student, £10

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Out of the Shadows: Preaching the Women of the Bible

Saturday 17 February

10.00am

VENUE: Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield, WF14 0BN

COSTS Ordinands £50; ministry student, £45 (includes lunch)

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Whole Church Worship Training Day

Saturday 24 February, 10am to 4pm

at Abbotsbury Church, Newton Abbot



The Diocese of Exeter's Mission Shed network is relaunching fresh for 2024. Our first event will be exploring Whole Church Worship.

Our key speakers for the day will be Sam and Sara Hargreaves, who lead [Engage Worship](#). Their work involves training and resourcing local churches for creative, sustainable and world-changing worship. They have decades of experience leading in a wide range of local churches, plus leading at conferences such as Spring Harvest and New Wine.

During the morning Sam and Sara will share principles and demonstrate ideas for leading all kinds of people in worship. Together we will explore how we can unite across diverse generations, styles and backgrounds, welcoming new people and families into our gatherings. They will also share easily usable ideas for music, interactive prayer, engaging teaching and more, accessible for churches even with limited resources. The content is based on Sam and Sara's latest book, Whole Church Worship.

The day will also include workshops on worship and mission, including running a community choir, modern sacramental worship, digital ministry, worship outside the church building, creativity in worship and more! As well as learning, we will also have the opportunity to worship together.

[Please click here to book your free ticket for this event via Eventbrite](#)

[Download a flyer to share.](#)

VENUE: *Abbotsbury Church, Newton Abbot*

Refreshments will be provided but please bring your own lunch

LED BY: Rev Jerney Putnam

Preaching the Events of Good Friday as Seen through the Women's Eyes

Saturday 9 March

10.30am

VENUE: on-line via Zoom

COSTS Ordinands £12; ministry student, £10

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

The Language of Resurrection: Finding the Right Words

Monday 11 March

09.30am

VENUE: Gladstone's Library, Hawarden, Wales, CH5 3DF

COSTS Ordinands (includes lunch): general, £40; ministry student, £37.50 (includes lunch).

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Connecting Old Testament & New Testament in Our Preaching

Saturday 20 April

10.30am

VENUE: Gladstone's Library, Hawarden, Wales, CH5 3DF

COSTS Ordinands, £12; ministry student, £10

Led By: College of Preachers

Booking: **Further details and links to book tickets for all workshops are available on the College of Preachers' website:** www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events.

Events from Sarum College

Various dates and times

Sarum College is a learning community open to all. Programme formats vary from evening lectures today and residential courses. Course content also varies from academic to experiential, intensive to leisurely. Life experience feeds into our tailored approach to learning and theological exploration within a community of people who want to develop as thinkers and leaders.

VENUE: Great Hall, Old Deanery, Exeter, EX1 1HS

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

LED BY: **Sarum College**

Booking: **Booking information and other courses available can be found at:**
www.sarum.ac.uk/short-course-category/ministry/

Leadership and Management

Slaying the dragon (or unleashing Google on Parish administration!)

Tuesday 16th April
10am - 1pm

Ministry becomes ever busier and ever more demanding while the information we handle increases. Part of the solution is to work smarter, not harder, and make use of the IT available and the many products that are both free and easy to use. This presentation aims to introduce some of the tools available, and demonstrates how they can support some of the parish admin. It will, hopefully, be useful to both those just curious, and ardent enthusiasts.

Chris Painter has been ordained for 23 years, ministered across 5 dioceses and was a technical communicator and trainer in industry for 18 years. In his last secular employment, he was a regular participant at conferences on technical communication, held in the United States.

VENUE: **Via Zoom**

LED BY: Rev Chris Painter

Leading Well: a five-session online leadership course (2024)

Looking to develop in your leadership? Wanting to explore how to lead a church in mission? Longing for a place to explore questions and concerns in a safe environment? Leading well as an incumbent is both stimulating and demanding, particularly during the early years of an incumbency.

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these courses please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

How to Lead Well with Others

25th January

Leadership is best done as a communal enterprise. But that isn't always easy. How do we tackle the challenges and lean into the blessings of leading well with others...?

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

PCC Tonight Training Evening

Wednesday 31st January

How's your PCC doing? Focused, fun and fruitful? Or a little different to that? A training evening for your whole PCC.

LED BY: CPAS

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Geek Factory 2024

12-14 February 2024

Geek Factory 2024 this is a fantastic opportunity for young people to explore their faith through all things geeky.

LED BY: SWYM

CONTACT: Please see website for more information swym.org.uk/events/

Purposeful Planning

Wednesday 13th February

Vision is exciting, but it is just the beginning. It needs turning into reality. And that is where good planning comes in.

LED BY: CPAS

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Data Protection - 2 Sessions

Session One: Thursday 29th February 10am-1pm, in person

Session Two: Thursday 29th February 2-4pm via Zoom

The aim of the Data Protection training is to help parishes and mission communities to understand their legal obligations in relation to data protection, offering practical help and support to implement these within individual settings. The sessions are designed to be interactive and will be adapted to respond to the needs of participants on the day wherever possible.

Session One will give a brief overview of the UK General Data Protection Act and the Data Protection Act 2018. It will cover the legal principles of data protection, the rights of data subjects and the responsibilities of PCCs and Incumbents.

Session Two will provide example resources and will explain how to deal with ensuring that the required policies and procedures are in place, including how to deal with Subject Access Requests, something which we are seeing happen more frequently in parishes across the Diocese.

Annemarie Kendell is the Operations Manager for EDBF, as well as being the Executive Assistant to the

Diocesan Secretary. She has responsibility for IT across the Diocesan Offices, and as part of this she undertakes the role of Data Protection Officer.

VENUE: See above

Refreshments will be provided on 29th February

LED BY: Annemarie Kendall

CPAS Webinar: Leading Courageously in an Era of Unpredictability

Wednesday 24th April

As with previous webinars, the topic for this one will be decided closer to the time. Hosted by one of our team, there will be some input and an opportunity for sharing ideas and exploring issues.

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

How to Take Risks and Embrace Failure Well

Thursday 9th May

Risk and failure. Not words that gladden the heart of many leaders. Yet without them we're probably restricting what God might do

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

CPAS Webinar: Releasing Growth in an Era of Scarcity

Wednesday 19th June

As with previous webinars, the topic for this one will be decided closer to the time. Hosted by one of our team, there will be some input and an opportunity for sharing ideas and exploring issues.
Following the webinar, we will stay online for those who would like to chat further about the issues.

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**
www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

How to Lead Through Disappointment

Tuesday 25th June

You can't avoid them in leadership. Disappointments. But you can either bury them or process them well...

LED BY: **CPAS**

Booking: **For booking and further information regarding these course please visit:**

www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events

Bible & Theology

Thinking about Israel's claim to Israel and its biblical underpinnings

Wednesday 28th February
7pm

Dr Megan Warner is Tutor in Old Testament and Biblical Hebrew at Northern College/Luther King Centre for Theology and Ministry and holds positions as Honorary Researcher at the Universities of Exeter and Manchester. She specialises in Genesis, biblical law and the use of trauma theory in biblical scholarship and practical theology.



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VENUE : Via Zoom

LED BY: Megan Warner

Cathedral Lent Talks

In person in the Richard Eyre Room, Exeter Cathedral (entrance via West Wing of the Cathedral) or remotely via Zoom.

Join our Epiphany-Lent Study Group on the Gospel according to St Mark, with the Revd Canon Professor Richard A. Burridge, an internationally recognised biblical scholar, ethicist, theologian and social commentator.

This seven-week course will look at Mark's account of Jesus' ministry of teaching and healing, the origins of the conflict with the religious leaders of his day, Mark's discussion of Jesus' identity and mission, as well as prepare us for Holy Week through Mark's narrative of the Passion and Crucifixion. Insights from the gospel's possible original audience and context will provide clues for how we can read it today, as well as benefit from Mark's wisdom under the suffering of the early church for our concerns two thousand years later.

LED BY: Exeter Cathedral

Further information [Click here to browse.](#)

Faraday Institute for Science and Religion

The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion is a Cambridge-based interdisciplinary research institute improving public understanding of religious beliefs in relation to the sciences.

Hear from Faraday Institution researchers and from the wider UK battery research and innovation community at these upcoming events. Connect with the team and collaborate.

LED BY: Faraday Institute

Further information [Click here to find out more information.](#)

St Martins in the Fields

Lectures & Courses from St Martins in the Fields can be found on their website.

LED BY: St Martins in the Fields

Further information [Click here to view.](#)

Looking for learning resources

The St Paul's Cathedral learning library holds hundreds of films, podcasts and written resources for adults and children.

LED BY: St Paul's Cathedral

Further information [Click here to browse.](#)

Artificial Intelligence, Genuine Care

For church leaders (including those in training), our course '**Artificial Intelligence, Genuine Care**' continues to explore how Christians can engage with technology in a godly way. See

<https://www.faraday.cam.ac.uk/event/artificial-intelligence-genuine-care/>

LED BY: Faraday Institute for Science and Religion

Further information [Click here to browse.](#)

'The Art and Science of Human Health and Spirituality'

Some clergy may want to dig deeper at our **summer course** – this year we'll be looking at 'The Art and Science of Human Health and Spirituality'. What does it mean to be human in an age of technology? Are we slaves to our genes? How does artificial intelligence affect healthcare? Can art help with healing? Explore these questions and many others

1st – 5th July;

LED BY: Faraday Institute for Science and Religion

See <https://faraday.institute/summercourse2024> to explore further.

Research Seminar series

Our **Research Seminar series** will restart on 30th January, with a range of topics to intrigue and consider:

- 30th January Dr Jon Thompson [Cambridge House, Virginia, USA]
'Personal Identity and Resurrection: Early Modern Philosophical Perspectives' – ONLINE ONLY
- 13th February Prof. Martin Barlow [University of British Columbia, Canada]
'Kepler, Galileo and Aliens' - hybrid
- 27th February Dr Pete Jordan [University of Oxford]
'Rescuing Religion from Obsolescence? John Templeton on Science and Religion' - hybrid
- 12th March Dr Nathan Bossoh [University of Southampton]
'Science, Religion and the Material Turn: Exploring New Global Potentials through Colonial Museum African collections' - hybrid
- All these will be held at 1pm in Westminster College, Madingley Road, Cambridge (except the first) as well as being broadcast online via Zoom. All are welcome

LED BY: Faraday Institute for Science and Religion

- Register at faraday.institute/seminars