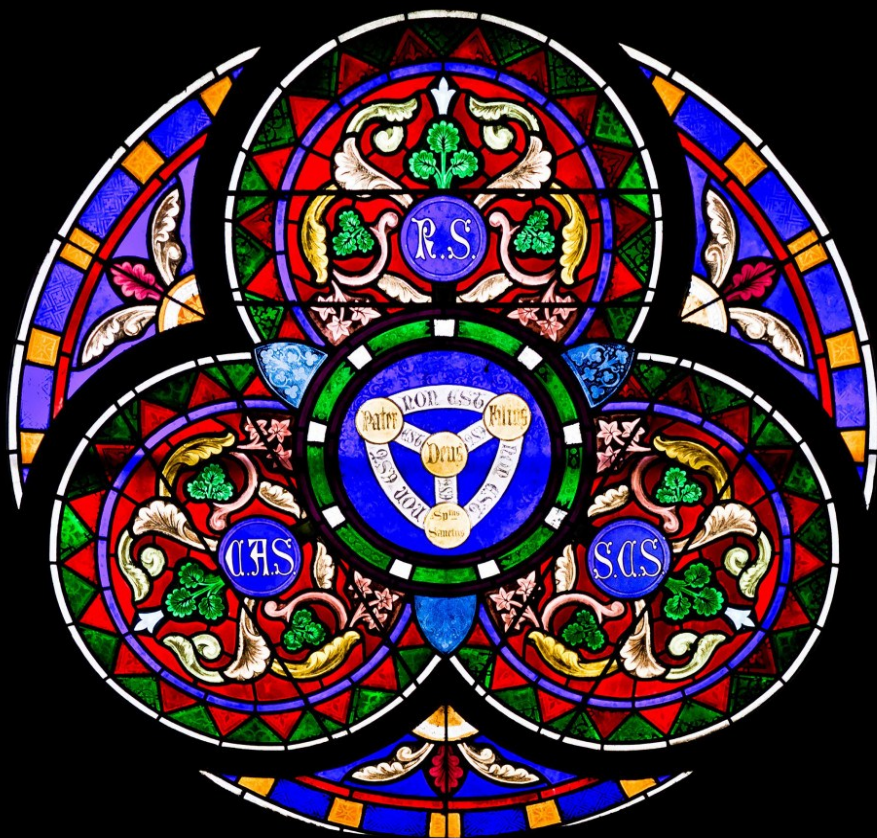


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2024

22-Oct	Wellbeing Day 2024 , Laura Steven, Head of Wellbeing for Clergy and their Families	CLERGY
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10-Jul	St Augustine as the Preeminent Western Theologian , Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins	OPEN TO ALL
7-9 Jul	Restoring the Image' 2025 Conference , Pusey House Oxford	OPEN TO ALL
11-17 Aug	RSCM Residuary Choir 2025	OPEN TO ALL
25-Sep	Early Christians Witness to Contemplative Prayer , Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins	OPEN TO ALL

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Celebrating Faith

Celebrations to mark 950 years of the Diocese of Chichester and Chichester Cathedral

2025 marks the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea which resulted in the Nicene Creed emerging - a document still recited by Christians summarising the essence of what they believe.

To celebrate 950 years of religious, cultural and civic life across the City, District and Counties, the Diocese and Cathedral have curated a diverse programme of events taking place in 2025.

With regards to the events marking the anniversary of the Creed, the Bishop said: *"The programme in 2025 will explore how the Creed unites us in what we believe about God, who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."*

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/news/celebrations-announced-mark-950-years-diocese-chichester-and-chichester-cathedral>



Wellbeing Day for Clergy 2024

Pay what you can. 9.30-16.30. Ashburnham Place, Battle, Sussex TN33 9NF

Led by Laura Steven, Head of Wellbeing for Clergy and their Families

Our keynote speaker is **Rev. Dr. Alex Wimberly**, Leader of the Corrymeela Community, the oldest peace and reconciliation organisation in N. Ireland. During the years of violent conflict, Corrymeela provided a way for people from opposing sides to meet safely, building a network of relationships that played a part in accelerating the N. Ireland peace process. 25yrs after the Good Friday Agreement, the Corrymeela Community is committed to the invitation to live well with difference.

During the afternoon, optional workshops include:

- 'Bread-Making as an Expression of Faith and Friendship'
- 'Life Through a Loving Lens: Contemplative Photography'
- 'Around the Campfire: Enjoying Earth & Fire'
- 'Relational Leadership and Restorative Practice'
- 'Digging Deeper: What Lies Beneath All Our Conflicts?'

Alternatively, you can receive the ministry of prayer in the on-site Church, have a cream-tea in the Orangery or explore the beautiful woodland. At the end of the day, we will gather to share what we have received, concluding with prayer, led by Revd Canon Rebecca Swyer.

Please note, this event is for Chichester Diocese Clergy only.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DRVE>



Power Under Pressure: MODEM Conference 2024 course

£125-175. Begins 1pm on the 4th; ends 2pm 5th.

Sarum College, 19 The Close, Salisbury, SP1 2EE, UK

The MODEM Hub for Leadership, Management & Ministry Annual Conference will explore different ways in which power is used in churches and related organizations. The conference is open to all and will cover some of the different ecologies of power in the Church and how authority and power are used in church contexts.

Confirmed speakers (Further speakers will be added to the programme)

The Revd Professor Martyn Percy: Martyn Percy is Provost-Theologian for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui; Senior Research Fellow at the James Hutton Institute; and Honorary Fellow at the Universities of Edinburgh, London and Oxford. He writes extensively on theology, ministry, forms contemporary culture. His most recent publication was *Advent Manifesto* (2023).

The Revd Liz Griffiths: Liz has a wide experience in local ministry and since 2017 she has been Director of Bridge Builders, an independent charity focused on creating models of reconciliation for Christian communities.

Professor Richard Bolden: Richard is Professor of Leadership and Management at University of the West of England (UWE) and co-author of *Exploring Leadership*.

Please book 1 ticket per person attending i.e. if you are a couple attending, book 2 tickets.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.sarum.ac.uk/short-courses/2024-modem-conference/>



According to the Scriptures: How the Bible became Doctrine

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of the New Testament'.

In this last seminar on the New Testament before we begin the Year of Faith, we will consider how Christian teaching emerged out of Holy Scripture.

We will examine especially how the doctrines of Christ and his work, the Holy Trinity, grace, and the sacraments are rooted in the biblical texts as they were taken up by the Church in prayer, worship and witness.

Zoom detail will be provided nearer the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/853638243967>



Six Steps Online 2025

Free. 18.00-19.30. 6 x Zoom

Led by Revd Canon Peter Sills

Revd Canon Peter Sills has written Six Steps Into the Bible as an aid to studying the Bible and deepening faith, aiming to plug the gap between academic studies and popular introductions. It explores principles to guide you through the challenges of interpretation, gives insights into different genres of writing and links the Bible to contemporary issues.

Peter will be leading a Zoom group in 2025 with fortnightly meetings on:
Thursdays (6.00-7.30pm) between January and April.

The dates are:

January 9 & 23

February 6 & 27

March 13 & 27

April 10.

To find out more and book:
www.peter-sills.co.uk





Relational Mission: Meeting God in the Neighbourhood

13.00-16.00. Zoom.

Led by Ruth Harley

In an era when uncertainty about the church's future is high, how can we rethink our ideas about mission and cultivate relationships which enable us and our neighbours to encounter God in the small, the local, and the everyday?

This course will explore how prioritising a relational approach to mission can help us to slow down, become less anxious, and discern how God is calling us to engage in our local neighbourhoods in ways which embody the good news of Jesus.

Drawing on a blend of story, theology and research, we will discover together how letting go of some of our preconceptions of what mission ought to look like might enable us to embrace a more creative, liberating and relational approach... and perhaps some unexpected outcomes.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.sarum.ac.uk/short-courses/relational-mission/>





The Nicene Creed in the Life and Worship of the Church

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

Based as it is on Holy Scripture, the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed (fruit of two councils) which we use regularly at the Eucharist, is the key summary of Christian faith.

This seminar will look at how we got the Creed, what its shape tells us about how God has revealed himself, and how it summarises developing Christian doctrine in the crucial years between the first and second general councils of the Church (325AD-381AD).

Zoom detail will be provided nearer the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSKX>



Disability Theology: Theory and Practice course

10.00-13.00. Zoom.

Led by Dr Eleanor McLaughlin

In this course I will introduce participants to the work of disability theologians including Nancy Eiesland, Sharon Betcher and Thomas Reynolds. We will consider the various terms used in relation to disability, and how these have developed over time.

Within a theological framework, we will investigate ideas relating to what it means to be human, how we think about community and relationships, and how we 'measure' our own and others' value.

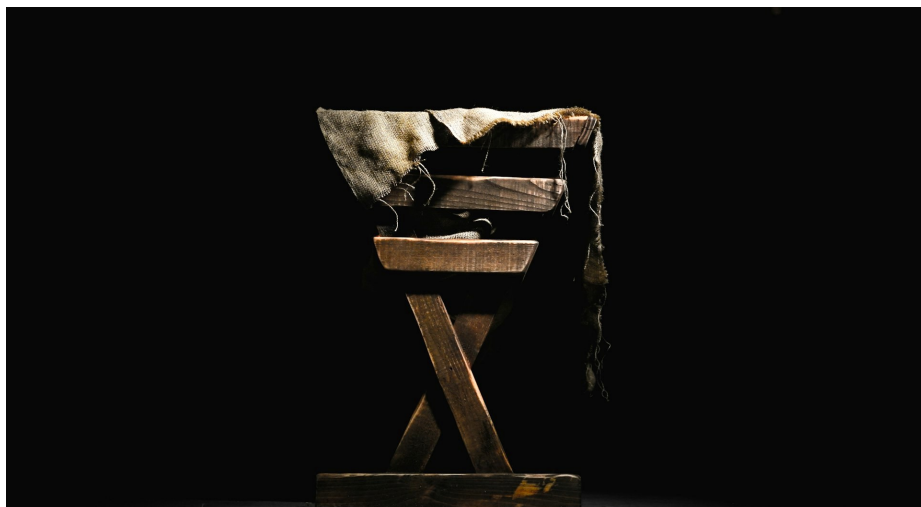
In addition to these theoretical considerations, we will explore how some of the concerns raised by disability theologians could be responded to in practice: for instance, how can churches enact a Christ-like welcome for all, disabled and able-bodied alike? How might we best 'be the body of Christ' when human experiences of embodiment are so varied?

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.sarum.ac.uk/short-courses/disability-theology/>





Christ, The Unique Manifestation of God

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

This seminar will consider how the Early Church in its worship and witness understood the coming of Christ as the unique manifestation of God's mystery.

Drawing on biblical and liturgical sources it will look at Christ's manifestation in the 'three great wonders' of Epiphanytide: his revelation to the Magi, baptism in the Jordan, and transformation of water into wine at Cana.

The aim will be to sharpen our contemplative focus on Christ as the revealed 'Image of the invisible God' (Colossians 1.15).

Zoom detail will be provided the day before the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSKY>



Planning for Retirement Day for clergy and Partners

Free. 9.30-15.45. Vicar's Hall, South Street, Chichester PO19 1PX

Led by The Revd Simon Hobbs, Bishops' Chaplain for Retired Ministry

Whether you are considering retiring in the coming months or years, this event aims to support you in discerning your way forward.

9.30-10.00: Gathering together in the beautiful Vicars Hall in Chichester, entrance via the Cathedral green on West Street.

10.00-10.30: Bishop Will will offer an introduction to the day.

10.00-12.15: The Head of Wellbeing for Clergy and Families, Laura Steven, will facilitate conversation about moving into this new season - such as, whether you want to continue your ministry in retirement, and how to maintain your physical and mental health and the challenges and opportunities all of this can bring.

After lunch: representatives from the Church of England Pensions Board, Housing Services, and Ecclesiastical Financial Advisory, will illuminate how to track and access your pensions, your housing options and wider financial planning.

The day will conclude at 3:45pm.

16.00-17.00: OPTIONAL EXTRA meet for a brief 1:1 with a representative from the Church of England Pensions Board, Housing Services, or Ecclesiastical Financial Advisory Services. Refreshments and lunch are provided. Indicate any food allergies when reserving your place. If you are a couple attending, book 2 tickets.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EFHA>



Mental Health, Theology, and Ministry: An exploration

10.00-13.00. Zoom.

Led by Charlie Bell

What does it mean to be a healthy human being? In this short course, we will explore this from the angle of mental health and wellbeing. What might it mean to be 'whole', and how might this sit within our understanding of holiness? What do our theology and our Biblical narratives have to contribute to conversations about mental wellbeing in an era where both the science is ever developing and individual experiences and expression are increasingly encouraged?

What might the implications for our ministry be from these conversations between theology and medical science? What might we do differently, and what might we do better?

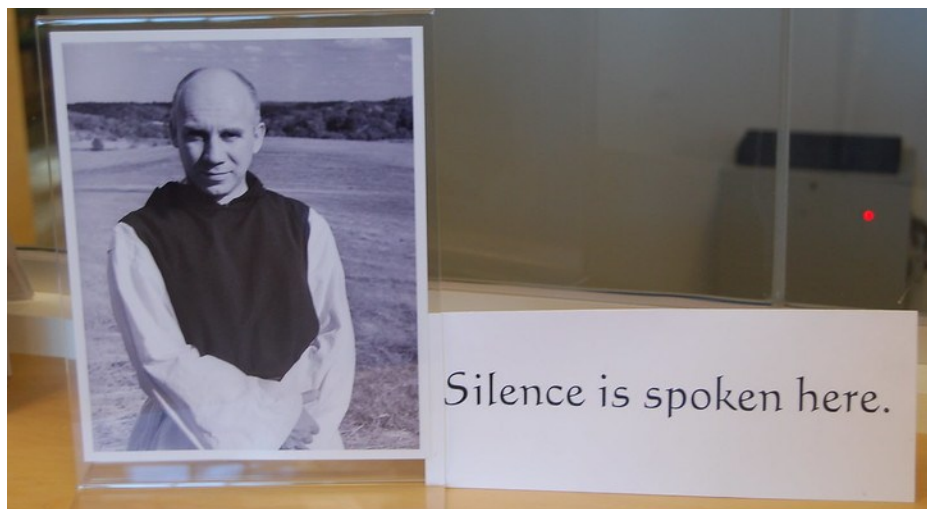
How should a contemporary understanding of mental health affect the way we engage in pastoral care, and where might we have something particular to add to the way medicine considers what it means to be human?



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To find out more and book:

<https://www.sarum.ac.uk/short-courses/mental-health-theology-ministry/>



"The Life and Works of Thomas Merton"

10.30-15.00. Be Still, Chichester Contemplative Prayer Group Study Day.

Vicar's Hall, Chichester Cathedral, 12-13 South St, Chichester PO19 1EH.

Led by Elizabeth Holmes, a Committee Member of **The UK Thomas Merton Society**

Looking at Thomas Merton, one of the most one influential Catholic authors of the twentieth century.

£15 for the day. Lunch will not be provided.

For further information and to reserve a place, please contact:

David Browning at bestillchichester@btinternet.com

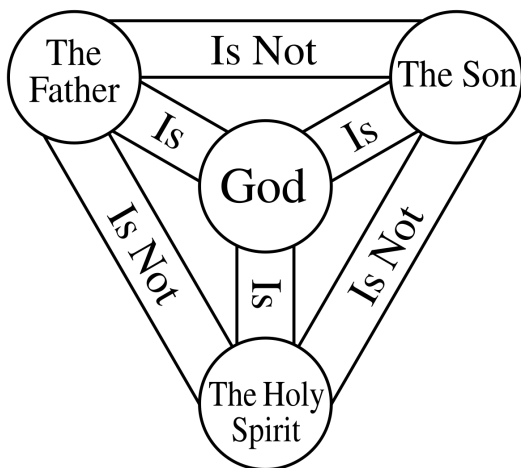
Or on 01243 839922;

or visit our website: <http://www.bestillchichester.com>



To find out more and book:

David Browning at bestillchichester@btinternet.com or on 01243 839922



Preaching the Mystery of the Trinity

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

Clergy often approach their Trinity Sunday sermon with some trepidation: how to explain that three supposedly equals one?

Yet a biblically based presentation of the Mystery of the Trinity and the Creed – not as a problem but as a mystery revealed to be adored – should proclaim the heart of our faith: God creating, saving, and transforming the world through his Son and Holy Spirit, thus inspiring prayer and worship.

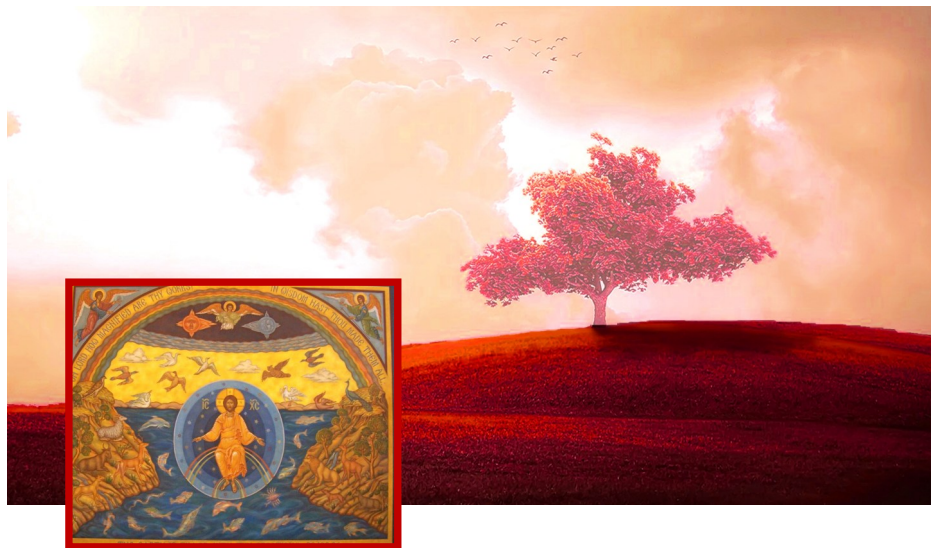
We will look at some ways in which the revealed Mystery of the Trinity can be communicated using the resources of Holy Scripture and worship.

Zoom detail will be provided the day before the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSKZ>



An Introduction to Eco Theology and the Climate Crisis

Free. 2 session day, 10.00-12.00 and 13.00-15.00. Church House, Hove, BN3 4ED.
Led by The Revd Buff Stone, Diocesan Environment Officer
& The Revd Jules Middleton

The Climate and Environmental Crisis is the issue of our age. We start with the foundation training from the national church to enable us to explain the science of what is happening and the theology of why Christians should be part of the solution. As Christians, we offer hope for a world in turmoil. In the afternoon session we take a deeper look at the theology of creation.

10.00-12.00, morning session with The Revd Buff Stone

An Introduction to Carbon Literacy and the Climate Crisis

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DTVJ>

Lunch

13.00-15.00, afternoon session with The Revd Jules Middleton

Christology of Creation - a deeper look at eco-theology

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DUKZ>

Each session will be a 1 hour presentation, with time for group work and discussion.

To find out more and book: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DTVJ> and
<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DUKZ>



The Church Fathers on Salvation and Deification

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

Knowledge of the Church Fathers (Syrian, Greek, and Latin) shows that their vision of salvation was much wider than the sometimes narrow understanding that prevailed in western Christianity in later centuries.

Drawing on the teaching of specific Fathers this seminar will show that in addition to considering redemption from sin, the patristic vision saw salvation as entailing much more: the glorification of the cosmos through sharing in the divine life revealed in Christ and given to us in the Spirit.

Zoom detail will be provided the day before the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSLA>



RECONCILIATION INITIATIVES

Being Missional Today: addressing Disruption, Liminality & Reconciliation

Coventry Cathedral, Coventry CV1 5AB

£75.00, or **£65.00 for 5 or more participants***

Key Speakers: Rt Revd Guli Francis-Dehqani and Revd Dr Al Barrett



A festival of ideas on missional thinking, with experiential learning opportunities, in dialogue with 22 different speakers and practitioners.

A conference combines a festival of ideas on missional thinking, offered mostly by published authors, developed in conversation with participants. Experiential learning opportunities are woven into the gathering.

This promises to be a stimulating event for those looking for inspiration in the missional challenges facing our local parishes and diocesan resource people today.

***for 5 or more participants -**

contact Earl Collins: earl.collins@chichester.anglican.org

To find out more and book: - **see *group bookings Earl Collins, or**
<https://reconciliation-initiatives.org/being-missional-today/>



Moses and the Myth of the Solitary Leader

10.00-16.00. Sarum College, 19 The Close, Salisbury, SP1 2EE

Led by Dr Jayme Reaves and Rabbi Shoshana Boyd Gelfand

The Jewish tradition refers to Moses as “Moshe Rabbenu” (Moses, our Teacher), hailing him to be the greatest prophet of all time and he is referenced prominently in the New Testament as well as a leader, prophet, teacher, and ancestor of the faith. There is no question he demonstrates extraordinary leadership skills, exemplary for both traditions.

However, no leader achieves success on their own. Moses was surrounded by other significant characters who shaped and supported him on his leadership journey. We will explore five of his central relationships: his mother(s), his sister, his brother, his wife and his mentor. We will see how they formed the leadership team that supported Moses to be the leader that he was.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.sarum.ac.uk/short-courses/rst-moses-myth/>



Ecclesiastical
Law
Society

‘Nicaea Received: 1700 years of Canons, Councils and Ecumenism’

To mark the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea,
Chichester Cathedral and the Bishop’s Palace

See ticket information below*

The conference will explore the legacy of the first Ecumenical Council and its enduring impact on the faith and order of the Universal Church and boasts a world-class programme of speakers including the Patriarch of Constantinople as our keynote speaker on Saturday evening.

***MEMBER’S TICKET and NON-MEMBER’S TICKET:**

For the whole conference, (£395 and £475 respectively)

FRIDAY-ONLY TICKET: The Friday programme includes lunch, a seminar, the Friday keynote address, tea, evensong, and dinner, (£100)

SATURDAY-ONLY TICKET: The Saturday programme includes two seminars, coffee, lunch, the two Saturday keynote addresses, evensong, drinks and the Conference Dinner, (£198)

KEYNOTE-ONLY TICKET: This ticket allows you to attend the three keynote addresses taking place in the Cathedral on Friday and Saturday, (£20)

Registration closes on 5 June, except for Keynote-only tickets, which will remain available until Thursday 19 June (or until sold out).

To find out more and book: - <https://ecclawsoc.org.uk/events/2025conf/>



St Augustine as the Preeminent Western Theologian

Free. 10.00-12.00. Zoom.

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

Western theology has often been described as a 'footnote to St. Augustine.'

Building on the foundations of Nicene faith, he was the preeminent Church Father for all later western traditions, Catholic and Protestant. Yet such a towering figure cast a very big shadow.

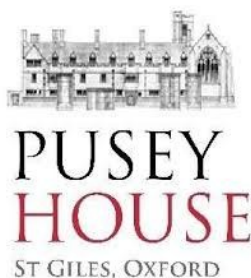
This seminar will look at the highs and lows of Augustine's influential theology, from the Trinity to predestination. It will aim to show that while Augustine's reputation is justly deserved, the Church has always received his insights critically.

Zoom detail will be provided the day before the event.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSLD>



Restoring the Image

Creation, Salvation, and the Human Person

‘Restoring the Image’ 2025 Conference, Pusey House Oxford

Pusey House, St Giles, Oxford OX1 3LZ

Speakers include:

Gary A. Anderson

Lewis Ayres

John Behr

Joanna Collicutt

David Curry

Andrew Davison

Paul Dominiak

Mark Edwards

Abigail Favale

Jennifer Frey

Malcolm Guite

Joshua Hordern

‘What is man that thou art mindful of him?’, the Psalmist asks. In July 2025, Pusey House will host the fourth in a series of theological conferences, **Restoring the Image: Creation, Salvation, and the Human Person**.

Theologians from the Academy and the Church will meet to consider Christian theological anthropology – the doctrine of humankind’s creation and restoration in the image and likeness of God.

The Conference will feature opportunities to meet and socialize with theologians from both the Academy and the Church, to foster friendships across different parts of the Church, and to share in the liturgical life of the House. All conference delegates are warmly invited to join the Pusey House community in worshiping at the daily offices and mass.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.puseyhouse.org.uk/about-1>



THE ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC

RSCM Residentiary Choir 2025

Chester Cathedral.

£330, which covers all tuition and resources for the week.

The Residentiary Choir is a training choir for 40 auditioned adults, which comes together for a week each summer to sing services in a cathedral or other similar venue. Enthusiastic and experienced singers from RSCM affiliated churches (or Individual/Student members) are invited to apply as vacancies arise. Individual vocal coaching is included as an integral part of the week, and the choir sings a wide range of music of all periods. Many members are leading singers or choir trainers of their home choir, and benefit from an intensive week of study under professional trainers and singing in the company of other.

The choir is currently directed by Martyn Rawles, Organist and Assistant Director of Music at Lichfield Cathedral.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.rscm.org.uk/learn-with-us/rscm-choirs/residentiary-choir/>



Early Christian Witnesses to Contemplative Prayer

Free. 10.00-12.00. 211 New Church Rd, Hove BN3 4ED*

Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of Faith'.

The Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed massively clarified the Church's understanding of God's revelation but was also often under attack.

Some of its chief defenders were monks, who recognised that its teaching about God has profound implications for a Christian vision of contemplative prayer.

We will look at several traditions of monastic prayer (Evagrius, Pseudo-Macarius, and Augustine), to demonstrate how the monks contemplated the mystery of God expressed in the Creed.

*Venue may change depending on number of bookings.

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To find out more and book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DSKU>



Mind, West Sussex

The Gateway, 8-10 Durrington Lane, Worthing, BN13 2QG

If you are an individual who would like to learn more about mental health, a manager or employer interested in training for your workplace, or a parent, carer or professional who wants to better support young people, you can find the right training course here.

All our training options are led by specialist trainers and are offered either in person or online.

Training includes:

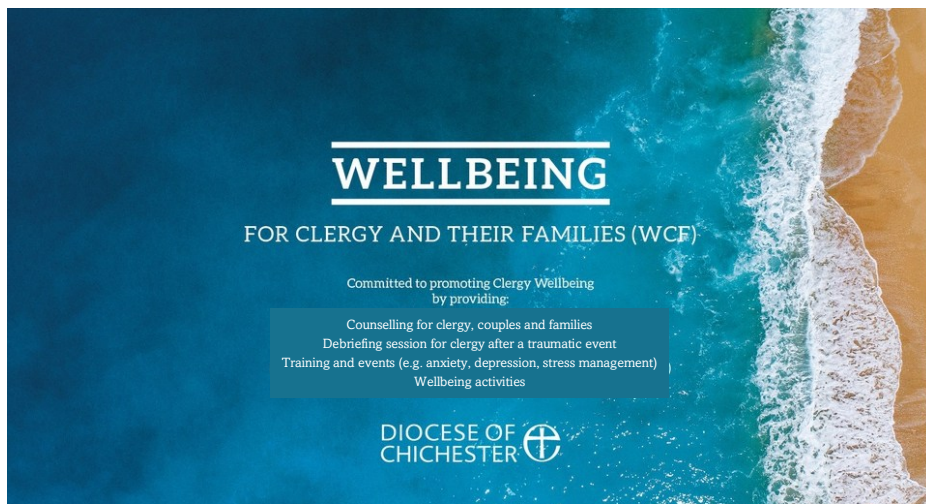
- * **Understanding Behaviours in Children and Young People**
- * **Self Harm Learning Webinar**
- * **Suicide Prevention**
- * **Eating Disorder Awareness**
- * **Adult Mental Health First Aid**
- * **Youth Mental Health First Aid**

To find out more and book:

<https://www.westsussexmind.org/>



RESOURCES: Clergy and Family



Wellbeing for Clergy and Families

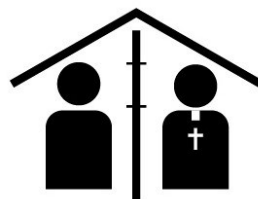
The Diocese of Chichester is committed to promoting and sustaining the Wellbeing of our clergy and their families.

Laura Steven, Head of Wellbeing for Clergy and their Families (WCF), is employed by the DOC to provide the WCF services for clergy and their families.

A WELLBEING HANDBOOK

is available to all clergy, which outlines how the Diocese seeks to support clergy through the development of the Wellbeing Covenant. It has a threefold shape:

- Spiritual Life,
- Theological Development and Physical and
- Mental Health.



To find out more and book:

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/wellbeing-for-clergy-and-families/>

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/mental-health-and-wellbeing/>



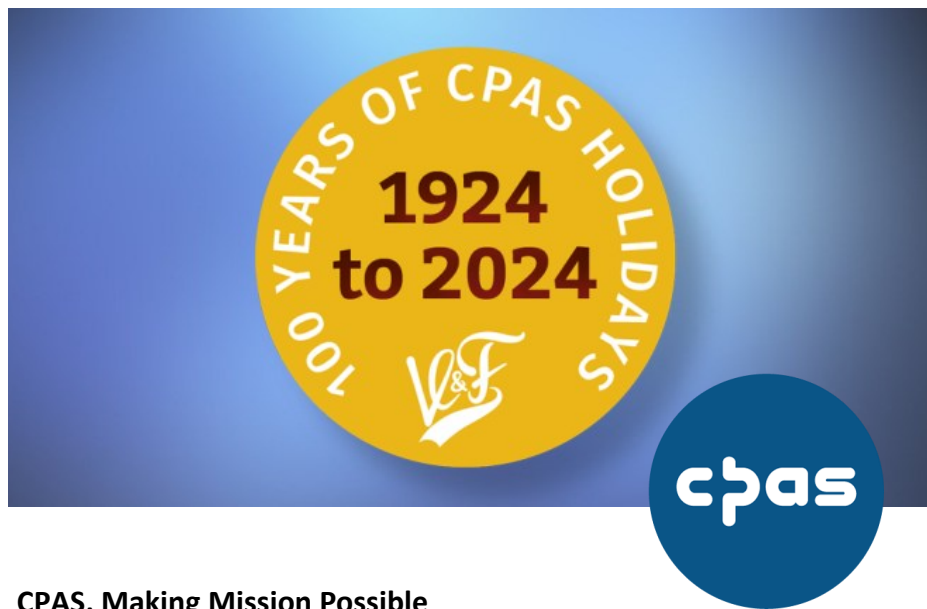
Safeguarding for Clergy and Parish

The hub for all information, resources, news and events relating to safeguarding children and adults throughout the life of the Diocese. It also introduces a new tool - 'Safer Quality Protects' - which will help parishes to assess and improve their own safeguarding practice, whilst providing useful resources to enable them to achieve this goal.

Safeguarding is a complex area of church life - how do we keep children and adults safe from harm, whilst building communities of trust and openness, and still demonstrate the welcome the Gospel offers to all? Moreover, how do we build church communities that obey the biblical mandate to defend those who are weak, heal those who are hurt, and demonstrate God's forgiveness to all, for all have sinned?

This site is intended to provide people in parishes with a 'one stop shop' for all things safeguarding.

To find out more and book:
<https://safeguarding.chichester.anglican.org/>



CPAS, Making Mission Possible

University of Warwick Science Park, COVENTRY CV4 7EZ

CPAS is an Anglican evangelical mission agency, we believe that the message of the gospel is relevant to all people, and that effective local church ministry is the key to seeing men, women, young people and children come to faith in Christ.

LEADING WELL: A FIVE-SESSION ONLINE LEADERSHIP COURSE, Sep 24-Feb 25, £200.

MOVING ON: 9 Oct 24, £18

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

CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF CPAS HOLIDAYS 15 Nov 24, Coventry. Free.

Over the course of a century, year on year, countless children and young people from across the UK and abroad, have been impacted by the work of this incredible ministry. We feel it only right to take a moment and celebrate, giving thanks to God for all he has done. We would love for you to be a part of this.

LEADING EVANGELISM LEARNING HUB 2025-2026, 25 Jan 24, £350.

Building on our experience of running learning communities and leadership courses we run Leading Evangelism Learning Hubs for incumbents to attend with others involved in leadership.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.cpas.org.uk/browse/events>



Faraday Institute for Science and Religion

The Woolf Building, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0UB
Online and in Cambridge

SUMMER COURSE: SCIENCE, RELIGION AND JUSTICE

Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge and Online

Prices £95.00 - £1,500.00. 30 Jun-4 Jul

Topics include:

Dr Esyin Chew – **Justice and Humanoid Robotics: In Love and War?**

Dr Edward David – **How We Think About Justice**

Dr Hilary Marlow – **Environmental Justice**

Prof. Mel Luna – **Justice and Disasters**

Dr Rosa Martínez-Cuadros – **Islam, Science, and Gender: Considering sexual and reproductive rights**

Prof. Jennifer George – **Technology and Disability Inclusion in Education**

Bill Newsome – **Justice and Neuroscience**

Prof. Deepa Senapathy – **Justice and Ecology**

Prof. John Wyatt – **Justice and AI**



To find out more and book:

<https://www.faraday.cam.ac.uk/> and <https://www.faraday.cam.ac.uk/event/>

RESOURCES: Spiritual Direction

Ultimately, it is not us but the Holy Spirit who is the director of souls, 'God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us' (Romans 5.5).
+Martin Cicester

Those looking for a Spiritual Director should contact the London Centre for Spiritual Direction.

The Retreat Association

"Helping you explore and deepen your journey with God through retreats".

Provide relevant resources and detailed information.
Hold and host national and regional events.

Provide training and lead retreats across the UK .



To find out more: <https://www.retreats.org.uk/>

The London Centre for Spiritual Direction

An independent charity which offers resources, training and support for all those interested and involved in Christian spiritual direction. They also offer training, support and development opportunities for new and established spiritual directors, including Encounter, a three-year formation course.

Check out their regular workshop and learning opportunities.



To find out more: <https://www.lcsd.org.uk/>

SPIDIR Spiritual Direction Network

Believes that everyone would benefit from having someone to talk to three or four times a year about their journey to and with God, and about their deepest values and experiences. Includes more than 150 trained 'directors'. Elects the SPIDIR Committee at the Annual General Meeting to administer the affairs of the network. Course Leaders plan and deliver training programmes



To find out more: <https://www.retreats.org.uk/>

To find out more and book:
Follow detail supplied

RESOURCES: Retreats

WEST SUSSEX

Chemin Neuf Community

Storrington Priory, School Lane, Storrington,
Pulborough RH20 4LN

To find out more: <https://www.chemin-neuf.org.uk/retreats/retreats/>



Monastery of the Holy Trinity

Fernandy Lane, Crawley Down, Crawley Down,
Crawley RH10 4LH

To find out more: <https://servants-of-the-will-of-god-cswg-monastery-of-the.business.site/>

Monastery of the Holy Trinity
Crawley Down

Worth Abbey

Paddockhurst Rd, Crawley RH10 4SB

To find out more: <https://worthabbey.net/visiting/retreats/>



EAST SUSSEX

Ashburnham Place

Ashburnham Christian Trust, Ashburnham Place,
Battle TN33 9NF

To find out more: <https://www.ashburnham.org.uk/contact-us>



ASHBURNHAM CHRISTIAN TRUST

Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre

The Old Rectory, Forewood Lane, Crowhurst,
Battle TN33 9AD

To find out more: <https://www.crowhursthealing.org.uk/quietdays>



Penhurst Retreat Centre

Manor House, Penhurst,
Battle TN33 9QP

To find out more: <https://www.penhurst.org.uk/retreat-and-quiet-days>



To find out more and book:
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Interpreting Texts for Preaching

10 May, Sat, 10.30-13.00. Zoom

Workshop leader: The Revd Maritn Little

This session will explore questions of biblical hermeneutics. Thought will be given to ancient / modern / post-modern hermeneutics and how they might help us interpret the Bible both critically and constructively to build up the Christian faith of our congregations.

Sermon crafting

7 Jul, Mon 10.00-13.00. Zoom.

Workshop leader: Revd Dr Jennifer Brown,

How a sermon is put together is as important as how it is delivered. In this workshop, we'll look at ways of crafting sermons that tell a story, helping our congregations to think afresh about the scriptures and see how they relate to their own life and faith. This workshop is designed primarily for those new to ministry and preaching.

Preaching the Jesus of John's Gospel

12 Jul, 14.00-16.30, 10.00-13.00.

Workshop leader: Dr Rebecca Dean

This workshop will explore the importance of the relationship between Jesus and the Father and, by extension, the divine family, to John's theology, including the invitation extended to us to become part of that divine family through following Jesus. We will consider how we can draw on John's theology of the divine family to find new insights for our preaching.

'The Wonder of Words' Conference

9-11 Sep, Hayes Conference Centre.

Our next preaching conference

Preaching the Psalms

20 Sep, Sat., 10.00-13.00. Zoom.

Workshop leader: Revd Dr Philip Jenson

The Psalter was the prayerbook of Jesus, quoted more by him than any other book. In this workshop, we shall explore ways in which we can bring the Psalms to life and encourage our congregations to make them central to their prayer and spirituality.

To find out more and book:

<https://www.collegeofpreachers.co.uk/events/>

St Augustine's MA in Theology, Ministry and Mission

The St Augustine's MA in Theology, Ministry and Mission is a specially tailored programme of theological learning and research that allows lay and ordained ministers, as well as church members, to deepen their theological knowledge by building on previous theological learning, engaging with daily life and ongoing experience of the Body of Christ.



Accredited and awarded by Durham University, the degree includes both taught modules and guided research in a theological discipline of your choice. It offers opportunities to develop advanced skills as part of your continuing ministerial development e.g. in pastoral supervision, leadership, mission, spirituality.

The degree can be taken part-time or full-time. Much of the teaching is delivered alongside candidates for church ministry, but the programme is suitable for all, irrespective of any ministerial involvement.

Biblical Languages for Fun – an introduction to Hebrew and New Testament Greek.

This is a year-long set of weekly online sessions that provide a simple introduction to the key features of Hebrew and New Testament Greek. It opens up some of the issues that translators are faced with, to provide deeper insight into English Bible versions. I

To find out more and book:

<https://staugustinescollege.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate-studies/>

<https://staugustinescollege.ac.uk/courses/biblical-languages-for-fun/>

St Stephen's House Oxford

Graduate Qualifications in Worship and Liturgical Studies

Postgraduate Diploma: 1 year full time, 2 years part time

MA: 2 years full time: 3-4 years part time



Music and liturgy are powerful tools for the mission of the Church. The Institute of Sacred Music at St Stephen's House Oxford offers musicians, music ministers and liturgists a unique place to study, worship, and perform – either part time or full time – and obtain post-graduate qualifications up to master's level. The university city of Oxford offers an unparalleled setting for the Institute of Sacred Music, which offers selected liturgical and music experiences in Oxford chapels, together with context-based learning in aspects of choral preparation, alongside liturgical performance within the college's own magnificent Church that serves as one of the chapels of St Stephen's House.

The academic programme focusses on worship and liturgical studies and is partially delivered online.

The programme is an ideal opportunity for musical or ministerial professionals worldwide to participate in part time tuition at St Stephen's House, some of it remotely.

To find out more and book:

<https://ismo.ssho.org.uk/how-to-apply/>

The Mirfield Liturgical Institute

Post-Graduate Diploma and MA in Worship & Liturgy

Would you like to:

1. Deepen your understanding of how and why Christians worship God?
2. Gain a postgraduate qualification that will support you in your ministry in the church, lay or ordained?
3. Refresh your approach to worship?
4. Equip yourself to teach others about liturgy and worship?

Then wherever you are in the world, this could be for you!



“Worship matters, and it is especially in worship—the occasion when we gather with other Christians and are engaged by the living Lord, that we can be formed more closely into the likeness of Christ.” Christopher Irvine

Learn at your own pace from distinguished practitioners including Bridge Nicolas, Thomas O’Loughlin, Peter Allan, Phillip Tovey and Christopher Irvine.

Explore subjects like Scripture and the liturgy, ritual space and language, liturgical spirituality, music and liturgy.

Easy access to excellent online resources with the opportunity to use our world class liturgy holdings if you are able to visit in person. Successful applications will usually have a good first degree in theology or related field. Study to PG Dip or MA level. Or audit classes for personal interest. We accept applications for anywhere in the world!



To register your interest, arrange a conversation or request an application form:

Website: www.college.mirfield.org.uk/academic-information/the-mirfield-liturgical-institute

For further information: The Revd Dr Jo Kershaw (Course Director) Email: jkershaw@mirfield.org.uk

Write to: The college of the Resurrection, Stocks Bank Road, Mirfield WF17 0BW

RESOURCES: Study

Cardiff University

Website: <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/taught/courses/course/canon-law-llm>

Main reception: <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/help/contact-us>



Sarum College

Website: <http://www.sarum.ac.uk/learning>

Main reception: 01722 424800

Email info@sarum.ac.uk



Sussex Gospel Partnership

Website: <https://sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/>

Contact: Gillian Carr, gmcarr1956@gmail.com

Haywards Heath, RH16 3LE. Ph 01444 458635



WTC Theology

Website <https://wtctheology.org.uk/>

Main reception: <https://wtctheology.org.uk/about-us/contact-us/>



To find out more and book: See detail listed

MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUT THEIR STUDY DAYS AND COURSES

RESOURCES: Grants

Bursaries, Extended Ministerial Development Leave—EMDL (Sabbaticals), Education and Training

Ecclesiastical Ministry Bursary Awards; European Bursary Trust ; Fellowship of the Maple Leaf; Josephine Butler Memorial Trust; Philip Usher Memorial Fund; Provost Howard Fund; Society for the Relief of Poor Clergymen; SPCK: The Richards Trust & St Aidan's College Charity; St Boniface Trust; St George's Trust; St Luke's College Foundation; Winston Churchill Memorial Trust; Elfinward Trust, Women's Continuing Ministerial Education Trust; Pauline Webb Ecumenical Fund

Children of Clergy

The Buttle Trust; Lawrence Atwell's Charity; Rustat Trust; Society for the Relief of Poor Clergymen; Working Families Tax Credit

Clergy Partner/Retired Clergy

Church of England Pensions Board; Diocesan Committee for retired Clergy and Widows/ers; Crosse's Charity; Dr. George Richards' Charity; Family Action; Foundation of Edward Storey; Independent Age; Newton's Trust

Debt Assistance

Christians against Poverty

General Assistance with Hardship

Elizabeth Finn Trust; Frances Ashton's Charity; Fraser and Howarth Trust Funds; Friends of the Clergy/ Sons of the Clergy; Henry Smith's Charity; Queen Victoria Clergy Fund; Society for the Relief of Poor Clergymen; Society for the Assistance of Ladies in Reduced Circumstances; Society of Mary and Martha, TURN2US, The Clergy Support Trust, St Luke's Healthcare

Health

Pyncombe Charity; St. Luke's Healthcare for Clergy

Holidays

Eggbeer Trust; English Clergy Association; Mothers' Union; Tranquillity House Trust

Vocational Grants

Board of Mission Trust Fund; Cleaver Ordination Candidates' Fund National Transition Service for Clergy: Church of England website

Applying for a CMD grant or EMDL:

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/fundraising-and-grants/>

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/cmd/>

APOSTOLIC LIFE

The Department for Apostolic Life brings together several areas of responsibility at Church House whose primary aim is to support parishes and individuals in their 'apostolic' life and 'mission' activities.



The overall team is headed by
The Director **Revd Canon Rebecca Swyer**,
and

The Deputy Director **Revd Canon Rob Dillingham**
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<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/apostolic-life/>

