

THE LAST WORD ...

FROM OUR COURSE LEADER

I'm hugely excited to be launching Foundations in Christian Ministry in the Diocese of Truro. It's a tried-and-tested programme that the South West Ministry Training Course has delivered in the Diocese of Exeter since 2016. In that time, it's grown to attract more than 50 participants each year, all of whom feel called to explore vocation in a community of friendship, loving service and mutual support.

In Truro, we're hoping Foundations in Christian Ministry will be a seedbed for a variety of vocations. If you feel that God is calling you to participate in his life in a new way, please talk to your parish priest about joining the course. They'll make a recommendation and we'll send you a simple application form to fill in. If you're accepted on the programme, we'll look forward to seeing you at the first study day in September.

Until then, every blessing in your walk with the Lord.



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MORE INFORMATION

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South West Ministry Training Course



FOUNDATIONS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Deepen your faith and walk more closely with Christ as you discern the next steps in your journey of discipleship.

EVERYONE NEEDS SPACE TO GROW

As a committed Christian, you'll no doubt feel rooted in the life of faith. You'll know what it is to live as Christ's disciple, sharing his Good News in the world.

Perhaps now is the time to ask what God is calling you into as you participate in his life. Will you find new ways of serving in the Church?

FOUNDATIONS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY is a one-year part-time programme of formational study that provides space for you to explore vocation and grow in Christ. You'll learn about the Bible, theology, spirituality and pastoral care. You'll enjoy the fellowship of other Christians at study days. And you'll share in worship and hospitality as you walk together with the Lord.

WHAT DOES THE COURSE INVOLVE?

- Six study days, held on Saturdays at Epiphany House in Truro, with food and drink provided.
- Two short pieces of home study in Advent and Lent.
- An ongoing commitment to discerning God's call and being open to the movement of the Holy Spirit, working with a mentor for guidance and support.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE COURSE?

Once you finish **FOUNDATIONS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY**, you'll have an opportunity to move in all sorts of directions. Some participants discern a call to ordained ministry and begin the process of testing their vocation. Others feel called to the ministry of Reader and commence training through the South West Ministry Training Course.

Some are called to other forms of lay ministry, such as worship leader, pastoral assistant or missioner. And it may be that you decide licensed ministry isn't for you, but serve God with renewed vigour, sharing the fruits of your growth and learning in your local church.