Diocesan Ministry Team



The Ministry team's work covers a range of activities seeking to encourage, equip and develop the calling of all God's people, including discernment, selection, training and ongoing support for those in a wide variety of lay and ordained ministries.

Chair of the Committee for Ministry **Bishop Sam Corley**

The Bishop of Stockport oversees the work of the Ministry Team and chairs the Committee for Ministry.

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Executive Administrators Jane Hood and Jane Gerrard

Jane and Jane ensure the smooth running of the department and are often the first point of contact for enquirers. Jane H administers the IME 2 programme, Foundations for Ministry, lay ministry training, short courses, clergy sabbaticals, pastoral supervision, spiritual accompaniment, and CMD grants and events.

Jane G administers the vocations process including the annual vocations conference (Called to Serve), ordained vocations and deanery vocations listeners, ordination services, the MDR Scheme, and Licensed Lay Ministers.

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Bishop's Advisers for Licensed Lay Ministers Karen MacMillan and Jeanette Howe

Karen and Jeanette share a full-time post looking after the diocesan community of Licensed Lay Ministers (Readers and Pastoral Workers), including LLM Vocations and Pastoral Worker training. Karen covers the Macclesfield Archdeaconry and Jeanette the Chester Archdeaconry. Both are themselves licensed lay ministers.



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Bishop's Adviser for the Diocesan Discernment of Ordained Ministry Richard Walker

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Bishop's Adviser for Self-Supporting Ordained Ministers Lvndon Bannon

Lyndon oversees self-supporting ordained ministers in the diocese, dividing his time between individual case work and managing the processes specific to SSOM. Lyndon is an SSM and Assistant Headteacher at Woodchurch High School. lyndon.bannon@chester.anglican.org



Ian looks after the diocesan MDR scheme for clergy, and is currently implementing a new scheme which will launch in September 2024. Ian also co-ordinates with colleagues on sabbaticals, grants and CMD. ian.arch@chester.anglican.org

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Interim Ministry Support Officer Sue Pocock

Sue is working with the Ministry Team on an interim basis over 2024 and some of 2025. Her role will focus on co-ordinating training and pastoral support for curates and first incumbents.

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Deputy Director of Ministry Bishop's Adviser for Curate Development and Clergy Transitions Jenny Bridgman

Jenny oversees curacy set up and IME 2, first incumbent support, support for clergy moving posts, pastoral supervision, clergy pre-retirement planning, and support for parishes in vacancy. She is also the safeguarding lead for the Ministry Team. jenny.bridgman@chester.anglican.org

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Director of Ministry Simon Chesters

Simon oversees the Ministry team and our work and leads a number of shared areas (vocations strategy, linking the team to the diocesan vision and strategy process, various ministry and regional networks, Foundations for Ministry, etc). simon.chesters@chester.anglican.org 07580 006006

There are some additional members of the wider team who support and resource various key areas of ministry for the diocese:

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