Diocese of Chester IME 2 Events 2024-2025



This document details the IME 2 events taking place this academic year, including a brief summary of the topic and details of who is required to attend. Please ensure that you have registered for each event via the Eventbrite link. Where meals are provided, please ensure that you include your up-to-date dietary requirements as well as any access needs.

Deacons' Welcome Evening	All new deacons
Jenny Bridgman and others	
Tues 9 th July 2024, 1900 – 2100	Foxhill

Welcome for new deacons: Introductory information about IME 2 in the Diocese of Chester, and a chance to meet Church House Ministry Team staff and reflect on how to inhabit these first few weeks of ordained ministry.

NB: This event does not include a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/deacons-induction-evening-tickets-911966505367

Deacons' Induction	New stipendiary deacons
Jenny Bridgman and others	SSM deacons if available
Weds 11 th September 2024, 0930 – 1530	Church House

Induction for new curates into IME 2 in the Diocese of Chester. A full day of information, reflection and opportunities to ask questions. Also includes a tour of Church House.

NB: This event includes a light lunch.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/deacons-induction-day-tickets-912004047657

Working With Volunteers	All stipendiary curates
Liz Geddes	SSM curates if available
Tues 8 th October 2024, 0930 – 1330	Foxhill

A morning on how to work effectively with volunteers, and some HR pitfalls to avoid!

NB: This event includes lunch.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/working-with-volunteers-tickets-912022593127

All stipendiary final year
curates
Foxhill

Information morning for final year curates who will be applying for their next post in the months ahead, including how to complete a role application, interview preparation etc.

NB: This event includes lunch.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/moving-on-year-3-curates-tickets-912025862907

Working Together Simon Chesters	New deacons and training incumbents
Thurs 17 th October 2024, 1800 – 2100	Foxhill

An evening for new deacons and training incumbents to reflect on working well together, and anticipate some of the pitfalls and challenges around this.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/working-together-tickets-912026885967

Diocesan Deliverance Ministry	All curates
Elaine Chegwin Hall and the Diocesan	
Deliverance Team	
Sat 23 rd November 2024, 0930 – 1530	Foxhill

An introduction to deliverance ministry in the Diocese of Chester, including information on what to do when you receive enquiries of this nature, and reflection on the wider theological, pastoral and practical issues around this ministry.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-deliverance-ministry-tickets-912027377437

All stipendiary curates
SSM curates if available
Foxhill

Growing vocations is everyone's business! A day on how to nurture and equip others for a wide range of ministries rooted in a commitment to discipleship and mission.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-growing-and-enabling-others-tickets-912070777247

Going Net Zero	All stipendiary curates
Katy Purvis and Sheena Wilson	SSM curates if available
Tues 11 th February 2025, 0930 – 1530	Foxhill

Katy Purvis - Net Zero Carbon Project Officer

Katy's job is to develop and drive the Diocesan Net Zero Carbon Action Plan so that we meet the Church of England target of Net Zero by 2030.

Sheena Wilson - Buildings for Mission Adviser

Sheena helps parishes to review how they are using their church spaces for Mission.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-net-zero-tickets-912069202537

IME 2 Annual Gathering: "More than neighbours?"	All curates All training incumbents
Sat 1 st March 2025, 0930 – 1600	Venue: TBC

A day with Dr Casey Strine, Lecturer in Ancient Near Eastern History and Literature, University of Sheffield, exploring the theme of people migration through an Old Testament lens. More information will follow in due course, but you can read more about Dr Strine here: https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/religion/people/casey-strine And hear him speak here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IzTCFP36IUQ

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime-2-annual-gathering-more-than-neighbours-tickets-920139170027

Outreach Team	All stipendiary curates SSM curates if available
Tues 25 th March 2025, 0930 – 1530	St Mary's Church, Partington

A day of learning and reflection with the diocesan Outreach Team – content TBC.

NB: This event does not include a meal – please bring a packed lunch.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-outreach-team-tickets-912047036237

All deacons, and any curates
yet to attend this session
Foxhill

Exploring some of the key themes around practical aspects of conducting weddings and baptisms, including legal advice from the Diocesan Registrar.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/weddings-and-baptisms-tickets-914496281997

Bible Doctrine	All stipendiary curates
George Crowder	SSM curates if available
Weds 7 th May 2025, 0930 – 1530	Cheadle St Mary

An exploration of the Bible as God's word to us, both in revelation of truth about God, and in establishing our relationship with him and each other

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-bible-doctrine-tickets-923753460467

Practising Presidency	All deacons
Alex Williams and Andy Stinson	
Tues 20 th May 2025, 1800 – 2100	Church House

An evening exploring some of the theological and practical considerations around presiding at (or celebrating!) communion.

NB: This event includes a light meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-practising-presidency-tickets-912053545707

Wellbeing and Trauma Awareness	All stipendiary curates
Peter Mackriell	SSM curates if available
Weds 21 st May 2025, 0930 – 1530	Foxhill

A day exploring how to better care for ourselves and our colleagues, and what it means to minister in a trauma-informed way.

NB: This event includes a meal.

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ime2-wellbeing-and-trauma-tickets-912068339957