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Ordination Newsletter



Welcome to the 2018 edition of the Ordination Newsletter which lists those currently studying at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute and provides information for those considering God's call to ordination.

We extend our good wishes to those who have recently commenced their studies, including 26 candidates, from across eight dioceses, training for the Ordained Local Ministry and congratulate those recently ordained to the Diaconate and the Priesthood.

We welcome the Reverend Robert Boyd as the new Diocesan Director of Ordinands in Derry & Raphoe, in succession to the Rev Canon Sam McVeigh, and wish him well in this new responsibility. As I write, the Commission on Ministry is putting together plans for a 'Vocations' Sunday' to take place in September next year.

It is hoped that, in due course, each Parish will receive a pack of resources to include information on the current pathways to ordination, suggested prayers and hymns for use on the Sunday in question together with visual aids, in print and online.

It is always a basic task of the Church to offer prayers for vocations to the ordained ministry, and for those in training, but it is hoped this combined effort will breath new life into our petitions.

A two-day Retreat, for those exploring ministry, is also being planned and is scheduled to take place in the spring of 2020.

It is with regret that we record the death in July of the Reverend Berni McAvooy, ordained Deacon at a special service in Saul Church last October. It was a great sadness to Berni that, due to ill health, she was not ordained to the Priesthood but we give thanks for her lively and inquiring mind, and great sense of humour, and rejoice in the absolute assurance that while she is 'absent from the body' she is 'present with the Lord'.

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Diocesan Directors of Ordinands help people to discover their gifts and use them in the Church.

Ordained ministry is one way of using our gifts within the overall mission of the Church.

The DDOs have different ways of supporting those who are asking the question "Am I called to ordination?" They will facilitate opportunities to help you discover the answer to that question and will connect you with others also exploring ordination.

For a full list of DDOs and their contact details see page 2.

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Diocesan Directors of Ordinands

Before contacting your Diocesan Director of Ordinands (DDO) please speak to your local Rector. They can encourage you, as you prayerfully discern what area of ministry God is calling you to. Once you have spoken to your Rector the DDO will guide you through the various stages involved in discerning calling.

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Connor

The Rev Canon Dr Will A Murphy
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Down and Dromore

The Rev Adrian Green
Tel: (028) 9029 4676

Limerick and Killaloe

The Ven R Wayne Carney
Tel: (057) 912 0021

Cashel and Ossory

The Very Rev Paul Draper
Tel: (058) 54105

Cork, Cloyne and Ross

The Very Rev Alan G Marley
Tel: (021) 463 1449

Dublin and Glendalough

The Rev Adrienne Galligan
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Meath and Kildare

The Rev Alastair Graham
Tel: (044) 934 8376

Clogher

The Ven Brian Harper
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Derry and Raphoe

The Rev Robert Boyd
Tel: (028) 7134 3001

Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh

The Rev Isaac Hanna
Tel: (071) 9163 125

Tuam, Killala and Achonry

The Rev Jennifer McWhirter
Tel (096) 60829



Meet the Students in training

MTh – Full-time Year 3 Deacon Interns

Jonathan Brown Down & Dromore
Emma Carson Down & Dromore
Graham Jones..... Dublin & Glendalough
Karen Salmon..... Down & Dromore

MTh – Full-time Year 2

Iain McAleavey Down & Dromore
Rodney Magennis..... Down & Dromore
Ross Meneely..... Armagh
Christopher West..... Armagh

MTh – Full-time Year 1

Edwin Aiken..... Down & Dromore
Rodney Blair..... Armagh
Andrea Cotter Connor
Sarah Crawford..... Connor
Alistair Doyle Dublin & Glendalough
Nathan Ervine..... Connor
Claire Henderson Derry & Raphoe
Leonard Madden Dublin & Glendalough
Matthew Topley Armagh
Anna Williams Down & Dromore

MTh – Part-time Years 1-3

Sabrina Cooke Nivet Cork, Cloyne & Ross
Andrew Hay Down & Dromore
Alan McCracken..... Connor
Andrew Moore..... Down & Dromore
Martin Clayton Armagh
(Currently off books)

Part-time Deacon Interns

Peter Blake..... Connor
Jonathan Cockerill..... Connor
Heather Cooke..... Connor
(Currently off books)
Peter Hilton Down & Dromore
David McComb Armagh
Stuart Reid..... Derry & Raphoe
Maithrie White-Dundas Down & Dromore

ILA students (Individual Learning Agreements)

Imants Miezes Latvian Evangelical
Lutheran Church
Abroad

Ordained Local Ministry (OLM) candidates

CONNOR

Adrian Bell
Janet Spence
Louise Bowes
Anne Locke

DOWN AND DROMORE

Stephen Doherty
David Jardine
Colin Birnie
Rory Blake-Knox

CLOGHER

Abraham Storey
Colin Brownsmith

KILMORE, ELPHIN & ARDAGH

Adam Norris
Stephen Frost
Edmund Smyth
Albert Dawson

MEATH AND KILDARE

Alan Robinson
Carol Hennessy
James Reid
Alan Melbourne

CASHEL, FERNS AND OSSORY

Janet Finlay
Patricia Coleman

CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS

Patrick Culleton

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

Karen Duignan
Clive Moore
Caroline Morrow
Maebh O'Herlihy
Carole Reynolds





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From the Director of CITI...

In total twelve men and women have commenced training under a number of different pathways: Ten are residential ordinands (the three year full-time version of the MTh), one has opted for part-time training (the four year MTh), and there is one deacon who will be following a tailored programme over the next two years towards priesting within the Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad (this has been implemented under the Porvoo Agreement). They are a happy, enthusiastic and genuinely diverse group. We salute their willingness to hear and heed the call of God, and we wish them every blessing for this crucial period of their ministerial formation.

In addition there has been a very

encouraging intake to the new certificate programme for Ordained Local Ministry, with an intake here

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of 26 students from eight dioceses. Under the Covenant these courses are being offered in partnership with Edgehill Theological College and via its constituency membership of the Institute of Theology in Queen's University, Belfast. The programme has been designed to run as a blend

of central and regional inputs, and for this first year there will be tutorial hubs in Belfast, Cashel, Claremorris and Longford.

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Ordained to the Priesthood in 2018

Rev Lindsey Farrell.....	Inver.....	Raphoe
Rev Sean Hanily.....	Drumragh.....	Derry
Rev Graham Hare.....	Drumglass.....	Armagh
Rev Derek Harrington.....	Christ Church Lisburn.....	Connor
Rev Andrew Irwin.....	Seapatrick.....	Dromore
Rev William Jeffrey.....	Ballymacash.....	Connor
Rev Anne Lodge.....	Clontarf/DCU.....	Dublin
Rev Ian Mills.....	Larne.....	Connor
Rev Myrtle Morrison.....	Craigavon.....	Dromore
Rev David Moses.....	Drumgoon.....	Kilmore
Rev Alison Irvine.....	Dunboyne.....	Meath
Rev Tom O'Brien.....	Ballbriggan.....	Dublin
Rev Trevor Sargent.....	Waterford.....	Waterford
Rev Geoffrey Walmsley.....	Dundalk.....	Armagh