

Deepening Discipleship

Following Jesus in faith, hope & love:
Resources and events for the whole people of God

Programme for 2016-2017

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Introduction

Welcome

This programme draws together resources, training and events that support the discipleship and ministry of the whole people of God. The call to discipleship lies at the heart of what it means to be Christian. Jesus calls women and men from all walks of life to be his disciples - to follow him in faith, hope and love (1 Cor 13:13). The call to be a disciple is one of learning and formation into the likeness of Christ. It is a lifelong journey that draws us into deep patterns of worship and prayer, and service of the Kingdom of Heaven (Matt 5:1-12). *Deepening Discipleship* is a diocesan wide programme designed to support this journey. As disciples we are formed and sustained through the grace of God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The resources and events outlined here are offered as a means to find this grace and to find where God is active in our lives. *Deepening Discipleship* has been designed to support the ongoing activities within our parishes, Fresh Expressions and chaplaincies. It is as members of these communities that we are formed as disciples and serve in mission and ministry. There are three strands to the programme.

Growing in Faith and Life: courses and talks to support discipleship and ministry of the whole people of God

- Growing in Faith and Life: The Bishop's Certificate Course in Discipleship
- Living Faithful Lives: Conversations on discipleship in contemporary culture

Following in Faith: resources and training for discipleship in parish and community life

- Enquiry, nurture, growth & service: Resources for deepening discipleship.
- Growing together & caring for all: Events, day conferences and training for a growing church, serving in the mission of God.

Living in Hope & Love: events to encounter God in scripture, prayer and service

- Seeking & serving: quiet days & guided retreats
- Accompanying & releasing: training in pastoral care and spiritual direction

Details of how to book for the different events are given in each of the sections. Should you have difficulties, or if you simply wish to know more about a particular event, please contact Caroline Wakelam-Jones, the Administrator for the Department of Discipleship and Ministry.

This is the first year in which we have gathered together a programme such as this. As such, we would be keen to hear any comments about what has worked well, or what could be added.

Nick

Nick Shepherd, Assistant Director of Discipleship and Ministry

Growing in Faith and Life: The Bishop's Certificate in Discipleship

The Bishop's Certificate in Discipleship has six modules and a residential retreat. Each module gives opportunity to discuss and reflect on what being Christian means through:

- Exploring our identity and the church
- Remembering the people of God and the Old Testament
- Following Jesus through the New Testament
- Believing the teachings of the Church: questions of faith and doctrine
- Challenging the world and ourselves: ethics and mission in the modern world
- Responding in the power of the Holy Spirit: in prayer, worship & understanding our vocation

This course is for you if you want to gain confidence in speaking about faith; deepen your life of prayer; read the bible with more understanding; apply biblical teaching to your life; reflect on your personal journey with Jesus and make sense of Christian life in the world.

Each module consists of ten hours teaching, together with reading, activities and optional assignments. The course can be followed through a single year or over a longer period. Those who achieve the Bishop's Certificate will have completed all six modules and the related assignments. There will be a mixture of assignments on offer including practical activities, keeping a reflective journal and writing essays. Participants will be allocated a mentor who will help them to identify their learning goals and to choose assignments.

The cost of the course is £200 for the whole programme including a residential weekend at Wychcroft or £20 per module and additional cost for the residential. Many participants on previous courses have gained support towards these costs from their parishes.

Taster sessions for Growing in Faith and Life will be part of the Area days (see page 10)



Growing Disciples: Bespoke Training



Bespoke training for PCC groups and Deaneries

Bespoke training can be offered to meet identified needs shared by groups of churches and deaneries. The aim of these events is to stimulate and support the activities within parishes. This training is open for all members of our churches who are involved in helping deepen discipleship. Training will be run at Area Days and in local areas where there is sufficient demand. To set up a training event, or for further details please email the named contacts below.

Growing places: Running and evaluating enquiry and discipleship courses

Discipleship courses are helpful tools for building a shared life of discipleship, but how do we best draw upon these for lasting transformation? This training will cover the practicalities of running such courses and how they can be used to generate a culture of discipleship

Contact nick.shepherd@southwark.anglican.org

Growing groups: Establishing and evolving regular small groups

Our shared life of discipleship can be greatly aided by the use of small groups. Such groups can be places for prayer and support; study and nurture; welcome and hospitality. This training will explore, and learn from, the models of fellowship, bible study and home groups found across church traditions.

Contact nick.shepherd@southwark.anglican.org

Growing Disciples: Bespoke Training



Growing closer: Fostering corporate spirituality and prayer

Study, prayer and listening to God should be at the heart of our church life. This training will help to explore how to deepen spirituality and prayer in church communities and groups.

Contact spirituality@southwark.anglican.org

Growing younger: Resourcing work with children, young people and families

Nurturing and engaging children and young people's faith is a crucial task for the church. This training will explore how to approach this undertaking through building intergeneration work to support and include the various forms of family life we are called to support.

Contact Hugh.Ridsdill-Smith@southwark.anglican.org

Growing mission: Exploring evangelism and engaging outreach

Most parishes in Southwark now have a Mission Action Plan to stimulate and steer community engagement, evangelism and discipleship. This training will explore what next steps and new initiatives might give added stimulus to outward focussed discipleship.

Contact vanessa.elston@southwark.anglican.org

Growing vocation: Discerning calling and supporting vocation

Our personal sense of vocation is a deep aspect of our calling as disciples. This training will aid reflection on a renewed sense of vocation for the whole people of God - as individuals and communities. This includes how callings to ministry can be affirmed within this.

Contact louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org

Growing Together: Area Days

Growing Together: at Southwark Cathedral

Woolwich
Sat 4 Feb

Croydon
Sat 10 Jun

Kingston
Sat 17 Jun

Area Days

Area days offer an opportunity for the whole people of God in each of our three Episcopal areas to gather together for a time of worship, sharing and training to be inspired in our life together as disciples. Southwark Area days are intended to encourage and equip lay people serving the Church and society. Area days in June will also incorporate training for Church Wardens.

Each Area day will include speakers to stimulate our thinking and imagination, a programme of seminars to support whole life discipleship and workshops around practical skills for lay involvement in ministry and mission. The days will also provide opportunity to hear from our Bishops and other leaders on the priorities within the Diocese. With excellent food and refreshments there will also be a time to mix and mingle with people from across our parish communities and to share and celebrate all that God is doing.

Workshop topics to include:

Children, Young People and Church	Running Credit Unions & Food banks	Being a great Churchwarden!
How to share our faith	Leading non-Eucharistic worship	Help, its PCC tonight!
Street Pastors	Faith in the workplace	Becoming an eco-friendly church
Running small groups	Making the most of MAP	Understanding your community

and more...

Woolwich Sat Feb 4th 2017 9.30-4pm at The Ark Academy, Peckham
 Croydon Sat June 10th 2017 9.30-4pm (Venue TBC)
 Kingston Sat June 17th 2017 9.30-4pm at St Stephen's Telford Park

To book
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/AREA-DAYS17

Saturday
8 Oct
10.30am-
2.30pm

Journeying Well Together

Minority Anglican Ethic Concern (MEAC)

Southwark Cathedral

Southwark has been described as being 'the world in a diocese'. This day celebrates our diversity and the richness of our cultures and traditions. The morning service marks Black History month, looking at its importance for all living and working in South London and East Surrey. The afternoon workshops will explore how we Lead, Enable and Serve one another and the mission of God. Thanksgiving Service 10.30am-12.00 noon, Workshops 12.45-2.30pm

For details email: MEACSouthwark16@gmail.com

 southwarkmeaccbhm16.eventbrite.co.uk



The Gospel of Mark Live

Joseph Morris

Southwark Cathedral

The Gospel of St. Mark is widely considered the first of the gospels, based on stories circulated by word of mouth. It's the oldest, fastest, shortest, and simplest of the Gospels: a work of art. Rev Joseph Morris has not only memorised the entire Gospel, but gives a dramatic rendering in a one man show that brings the story of Jesus and his followers to life. Joseph is presently the chaplain for the KSU Catholic Center, chaplain for Berry College, and the current catholic chaplain for The Atlanta Falcons.

"Thank you for the tremendously powerful performance. Those who were there have been talking about it all week--a most moving event a real talent for communicating the Gospel to today's world."
 Rev. Andrew Sinclair, Dorset, England

Thursday
24 Nov
7-9pm

£7 with a glass of wine or juice
 www.marksgospellive.eventbrite.co.uk
 or directly from the Cathedral Book Shop

Growing Together: at Southwark Cathedral

Saturday
25 Feb
11am - 1pm

Messy Celebration!

Bishop Jonathan Clark, Martyn Payne, Hugh Ridsdill-Smith and the Messy Celebration Team

Come and join us in Southwark Cathedral for this large, colourful celebration of rich and varied expressions of worship. Inspired and provided by churches of all shapes and sizes across the Diocese, many of them Messy Churches, this fun action packed event will culminate in a large Eucharist where we will share bread and wine. Children bring your adults along!

Diocese of Southwark in partnership with BRF 
Free to all, but please register at www.southwark.anglican.org/messycelebration



Diocesan Pentecost Service: Thy Kingdom Come

Sunday
4 June
6 pm

This service draws together the Thy Kingdom Come season of prayer and celebrates the vitality of mission and evangelism in the diocese. Come and hear stories of how God is at work through his church and join in praying our life and witness in the power of the Spirit. Come and hear stories of how God is at work across our churches and in our communities as we commit to continue to be sent as his people. The Archbishops call us...

- To join in prayer with the whole family of God the Father
- To pray for the empowering of God the Holy Spirit
- That we may be effective witnesses to God the Son, Jesus Christ



Growing Together

20-23
Oct

Cursillo

A transformative experience for many, Cursillo (pronounced kur-see-yo) is a movement of the church, providing a method by which Christians are empowered to grow through prayer, study and action, and are enabled to share God's love with everyone. The Southwark Cursillo weekends take place at Wychcroft and are open to all who want to experience an enriching time of reflection. Attendees are known as a Cursillista (someone who has attended a weekend). If you do not have a sponsor, contact the team to discuss.

For further details see: <http://www.southwarkcursillo.org/index.php/what-is-a-cursillo-weekend>

14-15 Oct
or
4-5 Nov

The Global Leadership Summit

Willow Creek Association

The Global Leadership Summit is the flagship event of the Willow Creek Association. Seeking to resource and empower Christian leaders in business, third sector and churches the GLS UK & Ireland videocast is run over multiple locations throughout the UK and Ireland and is coordinated by Willow Creek Association. Each host site uses the GLS to serve leaders in its community.

Battersea, 14-15 October 2016 at St Mark's, Battersea Rise

 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-global-leadership-summit-2016-london-battersea-tickets-21034218915>

Catford, 4-5 November 2016 at King's Church, Catford

 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-global-leadership-summit-2016-london-catford-tickets-21627121302>

Growing Vocations

Saturday
24 Sept
2.30 - 5 pm

Vocations Fairs

Louise Ellis, Vocations and Discipleship Missioner

Held in various locations around the Diocese, these events will provide an opportunity to explore vocation, to think about what it means to be called by God and to receive information about the wide variety of vocations offered within the Church. Participants will have an opportunity to talk to others exercising a wide variety of ministries and also to find out more about specific ministries. There will be a keynote address exploring the theme of vocation and calling, and seminars engaging with particular aspects of ministry.

Saturday
25 Feb
2.30 - 5pm

24 Sept at St Mark, Wimbledon SW19 7ND
25 Feb at St Mary Magdalen, Croydon CR0 6QD
8 June at St George the Martyr, Borough High Street, SE1 1JD

Wednesday
8 June
6.30 - 9pm

Here I am: A Vocations Conference for Women

Louise Ellis

Southwark Cathedral

What does it mean to fulfil our calling and be a 'servant of the Lord' (Luke 1.38)? This is a day conference at Southwark Cathedral for women who would like to explore and find out more about ordained ministry.

Vocations Conferences provide the opportunity to explore and reflect on your calling in a friendly and inspiring environment. These are fully funded by the Diocese, and so are free to all participants.

*for women who worship in the Diocese
Lunch is provided. Childcare may be available, please make enquiries*

Saturday
8 April
10am- 4 pm

Growing Faith

monthly from
19 Sept
7-8.15 pm

Leading Your Church into Growth

Led by Canon Stephen Hance

A course that looks at principles and practices of growing healthy churches for church leaders, PCCs and others involved in church life. The course comprises 10 classes, each covering a different aspect of how to create growth in your church.

<https://lycig.eventbrite.co.uk>



Monday
31 October
10am-1pm

Faith Pictures

Launched by Canon Stephen Hance

Faith Pictures is a jargon-free course of six sessions designed to help Christians talk naturally to friends, neighbours and colleagues about what they believe that has proved rewarding for many church-goers. This event marks its launch across the Diocese of Southwark after a successful pilot. Find out what to expect from the course, what previous participants have said and how this "fresh, amusing and surprisingly easy" approach might work for you.

Open to all, but please register <https://faithpictures.eventbrite.co.uk>



Worship 4 Today

Worship 4 Today is a twelve session course specially designed to encourage and equip those involved or interested in leading worship in the local church. It is suitable for everyone - those with some experience and training and those with none; musicians and non-musicians; those who read lessons or lead intercessions; those with skills in creative and expressive arts or technology; ordained or lay. It usually runs from September to June.

*Cost of the course is £150, usually paid by the supporting parish.
For further information or application form, please contact:
worship4todayinsouthwark@gmail.com*

Children and Young People

Children and Young People

This programme of courses is for all those interested and engaged in mission and ministry with children and young people in and through the churches of the Anglican Diocese of Southwark. This includes church members, PCC members, volunteers, paid staff and clergy in the Episcopal Areas of Kingston, Croydon and Woolwich. We very much hope that you will find a course that interests you and supports the development of work with children and young people. Please note that more local training can be organised and supported. There is also the CYPM&M local training fund. For more details and to book courses please contact Caroline.Wakelam-Jones@southwark.anglican.org Phone 02079399475 or where indicated use the Event Brite link

 <http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/diocese-of-southwark-children-and-young-peoples-mission-and-ministry-7954947550>

The Key

Hugh Ridsdill-Smith and the CYPM team

This is our core, basic course for those engaged or interested in work with Children and Young People. It does not assume experience and yet offers much for lively discussion, reflection and development of practice. It works especially well with groups from churches. Topics include values and priorities; leading sessions; safe practice and resourcing your work.



Croydon Tuesdays 18 October, 8 and 22 November St Matthew's House Max 25	Kingston Saturday 28 January St Mary & St John the Divine, Balham Max 30	Woolwich Saturday 24 June Trinity House Max 30
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Quiet Day

Hugh Ridsdill-Smith with Chris Chapman

Sisters of St. Andrew, Lewisham, 99 Belmont Hill, Lewisham, London SE13 5DY

Saturday
26 Nov
10am-4pm

This guided day is for the leaders of children and young people's work. It offers a chance to step back from ministry and to recharge, through prayer, silence and community. There will be time out and the opportunity to meet other children and youth leaders.

Lunch is included.



*Cost: £10 per person
Booking via Eventbrite
Max 25*

Growing Messy Leaders

Martyn Payne and Lucy Moore

Trinity House

Saturday
13 May
10am-4.30 pm

This hands-on, fun, fast-moving day gives leaders aged 9-99+ the opportunity to understand more of the practicalities of leading a Messy Church, developing teams and reflecting on their relationship with God. Groups are welcome. A fun, inspirational, paradigm-shifting all-age training day.

Brought to you by BRF's Messy Church team and CPAS.

Max 40 Cost: £10 per person

 <http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/diocese-of-southwark-children-and-young-peoples-mission-and-ministry-7954947550>

Living in Hope and Love: encountering God in scripture and prayer

Living in Hope and Love



A full programme of events at Wychcroft, including quiet days and retreats, will shortly be available. For further information contact:
Email: wychcroft@southwark.anglican.org Phone: 01883 743041



Tuesday
18 Oct
10am-4pm

Everybody's Got to be Somewhere

Chris Skilton

Wychcroft

The wonderful response to the question 'What are you doing here?' in the last ever *Goon Show* makes a good starting point for thinking about places we inhabit, work in, visit, pray in; places we love and revisit; places we dislike and avoid. During this day we will reflect on the importance of place in our lives and how place shapes our being, our prayer, our relationships. We will also enjoy being at Wychcroft as a special place.

Cost £26.50
Open to all

4-6
Nov

'Speak! For your servant is listening': Young Vocations Conference

The Vocations Team

Wychcroft

How do we follow the example of Samuel (1 Sam. 3.9), and hear and recognise God's call to us in this 24/7 world? A residential conference at Wychcroft specially focused on encouraging Young Vocations to ordained ministry.

For 18 - 30 year olds
To enquire contact Louise Ellis, email: louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org phone 07470 226395

Tuesday to
Thursday
22-24 Nov

Dark Valleys and Green Pastures

A team of experienced spiritual guides led by Chris Chapman

An individually guided retreat is largely silent but with an opportunity to meet each day, one to one, with an experienced guide. The emphasis is on attentiveness: we have time to catch up with ourselves with our hopes, fears and desires. We pay attention too to the Word of God as it meets us where we are. And we seek to discern the movement of the Spirit within our experience, drawing us in to fullness of life. Your guide will suggest material for prayer and support you in your listening to the Spirit.

Cost £125

Tuesday
13 Dec
10am - 4pm

Holding the Light in Advent

Jane Hoskins and Susan Oakes

This day offers an opportunity to explore the themes of darkness and light. We will also think about those things which we may be carrying on our journey through Advent. There will be some times of input, times of personal space for prayer and reflection, and a creative space with art materials.

Cost £26.50

Tuesday
4 Jan
10am - 4pm

Refreshing Wisdom for Responsibility

Gary Jenkins

A retreat day listening to the wisdom from God found in the letters of James and Peter. This day will involve guided reflections on the Pastoral Epistles with quiet space for personal prayer.

Cost £26.50

Primarily for Church Wardens, PCC members or other responsibility holders in local parish life

Living in Hope and Love

Living in Hope and Love: Accompanying others



Friday to
Sunday
3-5 March

Diocesan Lent Retreat

Bishop David Atkinson

Wychcroft

A well-paced retreat to focus reflection and prayer during Lent. The three days will include reflections from Bishop David alongside opportunity for conversations, private prayer and corporate worship. Early booking advised.

Cost £125

Friday
17 March
10am-3.30pm

Open Our Hearts: Vocations Quiet Day

The Vocations Team

Wychcroft

How can we, like Lydia, allow the Spirit to open our hearts (Acts 16.14) to respond to God's call on our life?

To enquire contact Louise Ellis, email: louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org phone 07470 226395

17-19
March

'All one in Christ Jesus': BAME Vocations Conference

The Vocations Team

Wychcroft

How can the Church better live out its calling to be 'one in Christ' (Gal 3.28)?
A residential conference at Wychcroft particularly focused on encouraging Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) Vocations to ordained ministry.

To enquire contact Louise Ellis, email: louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org phone 07470 226395

Wednesday
12 Oct
10.30am -
3.30pm

Love Bade me Welcome

Magdalen Lawler SND, a Sister of Notre Dame

Trinity House

Praying the scriptures through the art of Sieger Köder. This day will explore how painting, poetry and song can open up the scriptures and help us relate their message to our lives. We will focus on the biblically based artwork of Sieger Köder. The day aims to be both informative and reflective.

This session is open to all.

Thursday
2 Feb
10.30am - 4pm

Learning the Language of the Soul

Canon Dr Andrew Mayes, Spirituality Adviser to the Diocese of Chichester

Trinity House

Creative metaphors for understanding and communicating spiritual life. Through the bible, the Christian tradition and in everyday conversation metaphors help express the depths of our experience when words alone fail. This day will explore the range of these metaphors and the ways we might use them within our own journey and insupporting others.

Ideal for Spiritual Directors but open to all

Wednesday
10 May
10am-4pm

How to Plan and Lead a Quiet Day

Sister Diane and Sister Marie-Christine

St. Andrew, Lewisham, 99 Belmont Hill, Lewisham, London SE13 5DY

A day set aside to be open to God can take many forms. This day will move step by step through all practical aspects of planning and leading a quiet day. We will explore how to help people into stillness, possible themes and use of resources. In the afternoon people will be given time in groups to plan a Quiet Morning or Day.

*Suggested donation £25-35, with concessions available.
Ideal for those already involved or wanting to develop this ministry*

Living in Hope and Love: SAGE

Living in Hope and Love: SAGE

SAGE: Southwark Spirituality and Age Group provides events which address the spiritual needs of older people.



Trinity House

Saturday
8 Oct
10am-1pm

Talking about Death?

input from SAGE and PSALM.

This workshop will explore how we can start the conversation which is taboo in our current society . Talking about Death workshop will give us practical ideas and introduce us to some of the excellent material that is available.

Saturday
28 Jan
10 am- 1pm

Holiday at Home Workshop

Marc Richeux and Sylvena Farrant

The 'How to run a Holiday at Home' workshop will offer practical advice on planning, programming and running a Holiday at Home for older members of our communities. Speakers Rev Marc Richeux and Sylvena Farrant are both experienced organisers of Holiday at Home events.

Trinity House

Thursday
23 February
10 am-3pm

Dementia Friendly Church

Livability

Trinity House

A day in partnership with Livability, the disability and community engagement charity. This day will cover:

- Dementia Awareness:
- Information about what is dementia
- Looking at four common types of dementia
- Dementia friendly church and Biblical perspectives
- What is Dementia friendly church ?
- Theological responses to dementia
- Talking to people with dementia and welcoming them
- Communicating with people with dementia
- Dementia friendly church service / worship & accessibility
- Buildings and accessibility
- How to make your service / worship dementia friendly
- Pastoral support
- Supporting people with dementia and their carers including those who are in care homes and hospices
- Exploring options in your local community and practical responses



Saturday
20 May
10 am-1pm

Spirituality of Ageing Workshop

Ann Morisy

Trinity House

Ann will explore the opportunities, challenges and joys of later life.

Living Faith

Living Faith: a series of conversations on the challenges of discipleship in contemporary culture

Aimed at PCC members, home group and small group facilitators and Christian leaders in business, education, the public sector and other fields, and for all those who have achieved the Bishop's Certificate in Discipleship. These early evening sessions offer the chance to engage in some of the challenging issues for discipleship today. Each session will consist of two 'TED style talks' with table conversations with refreshments.

Thursday
15 Nov
7-9pm

Living faith in the workplace: discipleship, character & leadership

hosted by Discipleship and Ministry Team

The Crypt, St George the Martyr, SE1

An evening to discuss together the challenges of discipleship in the workplace. This event will focus on inspiring a vision for Christian vocation in business, education, healthcare, charities and more. For all who want to explore what it means to live faithfully in the world of work.

Thursday
16 March
7 - 9pm

Living faith: equipping young people to build healthy relationships in a sexualised world

Hugh Ridsdill-Smith, Sarah Smith and team (ACET UK)

The Crypt, St George the Martyr, SE1

This session is led by Sarah Smith and her colleagues from ACET UK who have years of experience delivering relationships and sex education through their project Esteem. We'll be exploring how to approach conversations about relationships and sex to support young people in making wise choices.

Thursday
27 June
7-9pm

Living faith in Society: discipleship, politics and the common good

hosted by the Discipleship and Ministry Team

The Crypt, St George the Martyr, SE1

How can we engage authentically in serving the needs of our communities as churches and individuals? This event will hear from people leading Christian involvement in local action and politics. For all who want to explore a deeper, faith fuelled, engagement in seeking the common good.

Living Faith

Christians in South London and Surrey are fortunate in having a number of easily accessible courses in theology within easy reach. These institutions provide talks, the opportunity to audit some of their courses and study for independent students.

	<p>Theology for Everyone at Roehampton is launched in October 2016 for this academic year. This opens up 10 undergraduate modules for local Christians to explore theology.</p> <p>Details are here: http://www.roehampton.ac.uk/Short-Courses-Futures/Theology-For-Everyone-2016-17</p>
	<p>St Augustine's (formerly SEITE) offers a specifically-tailored programme of theological learning and activity for independent students that allows church members to go deeper into their faith and to be equipped for their Christian Discipleship. As well as covering all the traditional theological disciplines, it provides opportunities to develop skills in theological reflection that can enrich a faith-based perspective on every aspect of life and daily living. The programme has a significant practical component, which connects the ongoing classroom learning with practical activities in church, in the work place, in the public arena and elsewhere.</p> <p>Details are here: http://www.seite.co.uk/course5_independent.html</p>
	<p>St Mellitus College offers a range of open access courses, together with diploma and degree level courses to independent students. Teaching takes place at St Mellitus College, 24 Collingham Road, London, SW5 0LX.</p> <p>Details are here: https://www.stmellitus.org</p>

Following in Faith



Resources and training for discipleship in parish and community life

Christian Discipleship is expressed today in thousands of different ways and places: in food banks, schools and hospitals; through the creative arts and media; in homes, workplaces; through voluntary work with children, the elderly through mutual support of young to old and vice versa, through Street Pastors, homeless projects, campaigning, credit unions, peace-making and political action, in the building of stable, loving families, in generous giving, in love for our neighbours, in hospitality, in care for the environment, in soup kitchens, advice centres and voluntary organisations...This missionary discipleship is the foundation of every Christian's vocation to work and service

Developing Discipleship, General Synod Report p.4

Resources for enquiry, nurture, growth and service

Many church communities have a rich programme of activities that link together their shared life as communities of worship, care and service. There are a number of resources available for churches to support our formation as Christian people and explore what following Christ looks like today. The Discipleship & Ministry webpages provide a directory of resources from a variety of traditions. We have identified resources that are particularly helpful in four areas: enquiry, nurture, growth and service. As well as encouraging people to use these resources our teams can also help provide training in how to best use these. The courses we support are signposted on the following pages.

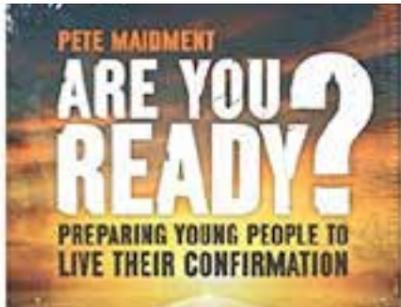
Enquiry

The resources signposted on this page are intended to help people new to church or exploring Christianity for the first time.

		
<p>A ten week course discussing what Christians believe, often starting with a shared meal.</p>	<p>A seven week course based on exploring who Jesus is through the Gospel of Mark.</p>	<p>An enquiry course into Christian belief from a catholic perspective.</p>
		
<p>The online presence for the Christian Enquiry Agency with videos, resources and the opportunity to talk about faith by email with a trained enquiry contact.</p>		

Nurture

The resources signposted on this page give people the opportunity to explore knowing God and to discern where God is active in our lives.

	
<p>A teaching and discussion resource from the Church of England to help consider faith and grow in faith through contemplation and discussion.</p>	<p>An eight week course based on Philippians that builds on Christianity Explored</p>
	
<p>A six-session DVD and discussion resource from the London Institute of Contemporary Christianity to equip Christians to make a difference in their workplace and communities.</p>	<p>19 ready to use interactive sessions to use with young people preparing for confirmation</p>

Growth and Service

Resources that call others to be disciples and support our witness as ambassadors of the Gospel, together others to explore the opportunities and challenges of mission as loving service and plan action to implement this in your context.

		
<p>LYCIG looks at principles and practices of growing health churches for church leaders, PCCs and others involved in church life. See p13. to book this year.</p>	<p>Growing Leaders is a well respected programme to invest in developing leaders at all levels of church life</p>	<p>Fan the Flame offers congregations in the catholic tradition resources to rekindle faith through a week of renewal.</p>
		
<p>Church Challenge is a discipleship experience from Christian Aid for the whole church to take part in, exploring the spiritual disciplines of prayer, simplicity and generosity.</p>	<p>The Cinnamon Network: Ready Steady Go resource will help you to think about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the needs of your community • Planning to meet the needs of your community • Launching one of our recognised projects 	



Loving God
Walking with Jesus
Led by the Spirit
Luke 24:13-35



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