

Praying for Ministry

September 2025

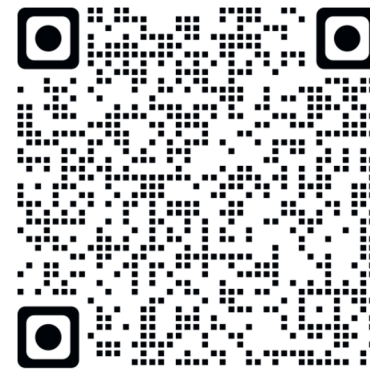
Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name. Amen.



The harvest is plentiful but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Matthew 9:37, 38

Ember days are times when we are called to pray for everyone in ministry and mission, and for all exploring a call to ministry. Our next Ember Days are on 18, 20 and 21 September. Please pray for all church leaders, lay and ordained, and for all who are exploring their vocation.

If you would like to explore God's call for you, please talk with the leaders in your Mission Area and explore more about vocation and ministry at <https://dioceseofstasaph.org.uk/vocations-and-ministry> or scan the QR code below.



Christ has no body but yours,
no hands, no feet on earth
but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which
he looks compassion on this
world,
Yours are the feet with which
he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands with
which he blesses all the
world.

Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)





Ministry and Mission within the Diocese of St Asaph

The Body of Christ: We are the Body of Christ! We are all called to live and tell the great story of God’s love for us, each and every day.

Locally Commissioned Ministry: Are you called to a pastoral ministry or to lead worship, or teach the faith in your Mission Area? If so, talk with your Mission Area Leader (MAL) or local priest.

Licensed Lay Ministry (LLM): Are you called to preach and lead worship, to be a chaplain in your community or in an organisation, or to be a chaplain with youth and children? If so, Licensed Lay Ministry might be for you. Ask your priest and MAL to put you in touch with a Vocations Adviser.

Ordained Ministry: Are you called to be a servant, shepherd, messenger, sentinel and steward? Are you called to celebrate communion, preach the faith and be a pastor and leader of the church? Ask your priest and MAL to commend you to a Vocations Adviser.

Pioneering: Is God calling you to something else, to pioneer and do a new thing, in new ways, in new places, with new people? Ask your priest and MAL to put you in touch with a Vocations Adviser.

The Body of Christ: Whatever your vocation and ministry, how might you be able to live and share your faith in God today? If you’d like to discover more about this, talk with your church leader.

Please pray for:

- all the people of God in churches, chaplaincies and schools across our diocese as we seek to serve God at work, home, school, community and church
an increase in commitment to discipleship and Christian maturity
those who are currently exploring their vocation to lay and ordained ministry and our team of Vocations Advisers
vocations to ministry, ordained and lay, from younger candidates and others who are under-represented in church leadership.

Those who were ordained in June 2025

David Dobbs (Deacon)
Jampa King (Deacon)
Sharon Morgan (Deacon)
Ian Williams (Deacon)
Glyn Wise (Deacon)
Pam Hallam (Priest)

The Deacons will be preparing to be ordained as Priest in June 2026. They are pictured overleaf.

Those preparing to be ordained as deacon in 2026

Rob Dawson
Cheryl Hesketh
Elin Douglas Jones
Vicki Stait
Reuben Zwiggelaar

Those starting training as Priests and Reader in 2025

Deborah Catterall (Priest)
Sharon Dean (Priest)
Rhys Parry (Priest)
Joshua Schoch (Priest)
Hazel Lobo (Reader)

