



Esgobaeth Llandaf Diocese of Llandaff

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Programme for Colleges & Convocations 2025

As at 29th October 2024

Dear Colleagues,

Please note these dates in your calendars as appropriate.

All stipendiary clergy are expected to attend the Convocations and College of Clergy meetings as a matter of professional priority.

Curates are expected to attend unless there is a conflicting NLM event, which should take priority.

Invitations to conduct funerals on these days should be passed on to appropriate other colleagues.

Self-supporting clergy are very warmly invited to participate if they are able.

Convocations and College of Clergy meetings begin at 10am, with refreshments available from 9:30am. The programme will finish by 4pm.

More information will be published on the diocesan website as it becomes available. The diocesan website will be the definitive source of information.

Please direct any queries to timjones@churcheinwales.org.uk

College of Clergy

The College of Clergy allows for consultation and discussion regarding diocesan matters, and the development of ideas regarding vision, strategy, policy and protocols.

Tuesday 11th February – St Catherine’s Church, Gelliwastad Road, Pontypridd CF37 2BS
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Tuesday 20th May – Margam Abbey, Margam, Port Talbot SA13 2TA
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Thursday 16th October – St Martin’s church, St Martin’s Road Caerphilly CF83 1EJ
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Bishop's Convocations

The Convocations gather the clergy, other licensed ministers, diocesan office staff and the heads of church schools to attend to each others' spiritual and theological welfare. They will usually include a guest speaker, helping us to think, pray, study Scripture and consider our ministerial calling together.

Thursday March 13th – All Saints, Park Road, Barry CF62 6NU

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Led by Helen Johnson (Trinity College, Bristol) – Helen is both an active parish priest in inner-city Bristol and college tutor. Drawing on her previous 15-year nursing career, she leads teaching on the role of the priest in the provision of holistic pastoral care, particularly regarding death, dying, bereavement care, mental health, disease and well-being.

Thursday July 10th – Church of the Resurrection, Grand Avenue, Cardiff CF5 4HX

what3words: under.intent.regards

Led by David Moffitt (St Andrew's University) – David's research looks at how Jesus was understood by the earliest Christian communities, in the context of their own identity regarding Jewish scripture, beliefs and practices. He focuses especially on the Epistle to the Hebrews, investigating the ways in which Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension is understood in terms of priestly Temple sacrifice.

Thursday November 13th – All Saints Church, Victoria Square, Penarth, CF64 3EL

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Led by Cathy Ross (Church Mission Society) – Originally from Aotearoa/NZ, Cathy is Head of Pioneer Leadership Training at CMS (Church Mission Society) and Lecturer in Mission at Regent's Park College, Oxford. Her recent publications focus on mission: she has previously worked in Rwanda, Congo and Uganda with NZCMS. When not watching the All Blacks, her research interests are in the areas of contextual theologies, World Christianity, feminist theologies and hospitality.

Other Events

Chrism Mass (*Holy Monday*) – 11am on Monday 14 April 2025. Clergy, LLM and ordinands will be invited to the service at the Cathedral.

Ordinations to the priesthood – morning, Saturday 28th June at the Cathedral

Ordinations to the diaconate – afternoon, Sunday 29th June at the Cathedral

Diocesan Conference the evening of Thursday 25th September online, and Saturday 27th September in person

2025 Summary:

February 11 th	College of Clergy (Pontypridd)
March 13th	Convocation (Barry)
April 14th	Chrism Mass (Cathedral)
May 20th	College of Clergy (Margam Abbey)
June 28 th	Ordinations to the Priesthood (Cathedral, morning)
June 29th	Ordinations to the Diaconate (Cathedral, afternoon)
July 10th	Convocation (Ely, Cardiff)
September	online evening session of the Diocesan Conference
September	Diocesan conference
October 16 th	College of Clergy (Caerphilly)
November 13th	Convocation (Penarth)