

## Lifelong Learning for Christian Adults

The Diocesan training programmes have been completely revised over the past couple of years and you can now access a wide range of courses covering lots of different subject and reasons for study at lots of different times and places and designed for lots of different types of people with varying skills and abilities.

If you're training for an authorised ministry there are specific training courses designed for you but others are available for anyone. They are simply there to provide opportunities for you to grow in your faith and understanding. It's crucial that Christians take opportunities to grow in this way and here are some for you.

Here are some of the courses on offer during next year:

Some general midweek daytime courses

- 20 June** - Christian Listening  
(exactly what it says)
- 10 May** - Signs of the Kingdom  
(aspects of contemporary mission)
- 9 March** - As our Saviour Taught us  
(prayer)
- 20 Feb** - Telling your story, telling His story  
(personal evangelism)
- 16 Apr** - Over here, over there  
(Overview of the Bible)

### Introductory courses

- 13 Jan or 22 Feb** - Arrival Day - ideas to develop understanding of what it means to be a Christian, this course is the first step for anyone considering an authorised ministry but is available to anyone
- 24 Feb or 13 March** - "It's Your Calling" - exploring what God might be calling you to
- 13 Jan** - "Read Mark Learn" - introduction to study skills

### Foundations for Ministry (1 and 2)

Two days OR five evenings on deepening Bible Knowledge. You must go on "Arrival Day" and "It's Your Calling" first but it's not restricted to those training for authorised ministries.

### Christian Thought & Worship (1 and 2)

Two days OR five evenings exploring the relationship between how Christians experience their faith; what they believe and how these connect with true worship and right action

Ethics (1 day and 3 evenings)

Mission (10 hours)

Some of these are compulsory for those undertaking training for ministry as Reader, Pastoral Assistant or Evangelist; most are available for all, whether training for a specific ministry or not.

Maybe God is calling you to one of these authorised ministries. Maybe now is the time to begin to think about this. Whether he is or not you may well benefit from one or more of these courses. Ask the Vicar for more details.

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**YPG Breakfast**  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October**  
**9am**  
**Adults £3 Children**  
**£1.50**