

## The Anglican Pilgrimage

# A Conference for Seminarians and Clergy in the Early Years of their Ordained Ministry

## **MONDAY 30 JANUARY - SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2023**

#### STUDY - WORSHIP - COMMUNITY

Every year - though since 2020 interrupted by the coronavirus pandemic - Canterbury Cathedral invites ordinands and newly ordained clergy from around the Anglican Communion to share their lives together, praying, studying and exchanging experiences and ideas.

Students live in the International Study Centre at Canterbury. They join in the Cathedral community's life, centred on daily worship. The programme provides an opportunity to explore aspects of our journey with Christ together, particularly in the different cultural contexts in which we minister. Teachers and facilitators with a wide variety of experience of cultures will lead sessions, but the primary learning is through encountering one another.

Sponsored by Canterbury Cathedral, the conference has three pillars:

- 1. Living together in community learning from each other
- 2. Participation in the Cathedral's life and worship
- 3. Theological exploration and exchange

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The Canterbury conference for seminarians and new clergy is designed for those preparing for ordination and priests who are in the early years of their ordained ministry. It is intended as an investment in the future of the Anglican Communion, and those who come are ministers who will make a contribution in the years ahead.

Students come from all over the Anglican Communion and have an intensive community experience during their time in Canterbury. This will be the 20th presentation; in that time we have welcomed guests from over 50 countries. The aim of the conference is to broaden horizons by exploring the strength of Anglicanism in practising Communion in a diversity of cultures. We aim that all participants will understand better with heart and mind the nature of the Anglican Church worldwide, and therefore be wiser and better ministers within it. Please note that the conference is conducted in English, and sadly we are **unable to offer translation/interpreters.** All applicants should be proficient in English.

#### TYPICAL WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

## Morning:

- Matins
- Holy Communion
- Breakfast
- Session 1 Bible Study
- Break
- Session 2

#### Afternoon:

- Lunch
- Group Work/Session 3
- Free Time
- Evensong
- Dinner
- Group discussions

We expect that one day will be spent in London, visiting the offices of the Anglican Communion and Lambeth Palace. In most years we are privileged to be welcomed personally by the Archbishop of Canterbury. There will also be an opportunity to explore different aspects of the life and work of Canterbury Cathedral.

We can take about thirty ministers on the Conference, and we anticipate there being more applications than we are able to accept. Therefore we cannot guarantee a place to all who apply. Applications will be considered and decisions made to ensure the broadest possible spread of participation. It is unlikely, though not impossible, that more than three people will come from a Province, or more than one from a single Diocese or Seminary.

## **APPLICATION AND PAYMENT**

The fee for 2023 will be in the region of £1,600. This covers your board, accommodation, tuition and organised outings. Air fares are not included. Bursaries, including travel costs, are available for some applicants, but not for those from better resourced parts of the Anglican Communion, who will be expected to find their own funding. Your application should be received in Canterbury by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Your completed application form should be sent to:

Revd. Canon Dr. Tim Naish c/o Cathedral House 11 The Precincts Canterbury Kent CT1 2EH England

Or e-mail your form to

AnglicanCourses@canterbury-cathedral.org

#### **APPLICATION CRITERIA**

The conference is aimed at those in training for ordained ministry, and those in the first five years of their ordained ministry.

In addition to the completed application form, we will require the following:

- A letter of support from the Principal/Dean of your seminary/college, or your Bishop
- Details of a referee for your application, who may be contacted by telephone
- A statement of your ministerial path (lay and/or ordained) up to the present, explaining how you feel you would benefit from the conference

Please ensure that **all** supporting documentation is sent with your application. Those who do not submit supporting documentation with the application are unlikely to be offered places on the Conference.

Successful applicants will be asked to **arrange their own visas** (if needed) for stay in the UK. It should be noted that, sadly, it is very possible that the UK government will refuse visas in some cases. We do not have control over this. We will do what we can to offer help.

Please note this conference is open to individuals only. We <u>cannot</u> make provision for spouses and/or families.

# **APPLICATION FORM**

Surname as on your passport	Christian names as on your passport
Title	Nationality
Institution/Occupation	
Date of birth:	Date of ordination (if applicable)
Address with postcode and country	Telephone no with country and area code (please indicate if cellphone)
	E-mail address:
Do you have any disability or special need of which it would be helpful for us to know if we are to offer you full access to the programme? If so, please specify:	
Do you have any special dietary requirements (vegetarian, vegan), food allergies, or foods you do not eat? If so, please specify:	
Signed Date	