



MES Enquiry Form

Please read before completing this form.

This form requests key information which is necessary for the Diocese in Europe to use to help the DDO and the Vocations' Team support and direct your vocational discernment.

Our expectation is that you will:

- Respond to these questions honestly and fully.
- Reflect and refine your answers, recognising they develop during discernment.
- Recognise that we invite you to disclose personal information.
- Be open and clear with us about issues of mental ill-health
- Understand that the Church:
 - seeks those of diverse backgrounds: educational, ethnic & neurological
 - wishes to support all who may find this process daunting.
 - needs your help to know how to support you.

In relation to the contents of this form, what you can expect from us:

- We will treat what you tell us with respect and compassion.
- We will protect your personal information and use it only for the purpose of supporting your discernment process.
- We will share information only with those who have need of it in order to come to a decision about the outcome of the process. This includes Bishops and members of Ministry at national level.
- If you make a disclosure to us of experience of past or present abuse in any form, we will deal with the matter sensitively and in accordance with our safeguarding protocols

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Personal information

Name

Previous name
(if applicable)

Age

Current address
(house number, street
name, town)

Country

Postcode

Telephone

Email address

Date, place and country of
birth

Nationality and immigration
status in your country of
residence

If you have more than one passport, indicate the order in which they were obtained.

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Personal information

Precise date and place of
Baptism:

Precise date of
Confirmation:

If you were not confirmed in the Church of England, the RC Church or baptised and chrismated in the Orthodox Church, your confirmation in any other tradition may not be recognised. Please indicate if your confirmation was not in any of the above. You need to be confirmed in a recognised manner to proceed

Chaplaincy you attend

Name of Chaplain

Chaplain email address

How long have you
worshipped in this church?

**If you are married/in a
civil relationship:** Name of
spouse and children with
date of union

Please indicate the
response of your spouse,
fiancé(e), civil partner or
prospective civil partner
to your considering this
process

Have either you or your
spouse been previously
married? If either or both of
you have please give dates
of the previous marriage/s
and divorces

Proficiency in English

Other languages spoken

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Education and employment

Detailed outline of
Education

Name

Date

Educational outcomes
eg final exams at each
section

Secondary Schools(s)

College or University

Post-graduate degree

Research degree

Professional
Qualification

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Christian education

(eg Reader Training or Bishop's Certificate Course)

Name of course

Date

Education outcome or notes

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Previous employment

Job description

Dates of employment

Reasons for leaving

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Previous employment and or context

Job description

Dates of employment

Detail of the scope of your current work or responsibilities

Please indicate to whom you are accountable, and whether your employer or colleagues are aware of this discernment. Please give an account of the relation between your current work and your developing sense of vocation.

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Future deployment

Is it envisaged at this stage that you would exercise ministry as a Priest or Distinctive Deacon.

Please specify one or other

In your thinking and discernment so far do you imagine following a curacy being either an Incumbent or an Assistant Priest?

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Summary of personal history

Dates

Key events (summarising detail recounted in narrative form in the "Obituary")

**Summary of
journey of faith**

Dates

Key events with narrative as necessary

**Summary of
journey of
vocation**

Dates

Key events (summarising detail recounted in narrative form in the
Essay on Priesthood)**Summary of
journey within
the life of the
church**

Dates

Key events, with narrative as necessary, being sure to itemise roles
taken in the different churches of which you have been a part.

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Summary of journey within the life of the church

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Summary of journey of prayer and spirituality

In about 300 words tell us about your prayer life, how it has developed and what the significance of direction has been before and in this process.

Reflection on your place in the church and the traditions which have shaped you

In no more than 200 words, please indicate which traditions have shaped and informed your place in the Church of England.

Reflection on experience of leadership within and outside the church

In about 300 words please reflect on leadership roles taken in different contexts. *More space overleaf*

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**Reflection on
experience of
leadership
within and
outside the
church**

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**Reflection on
relationship
history**

In about 300 words tell us about your close relationships, those which are important to you and sustain you. You may wish to tell us about relationships which have broken down and what you see the reasons.

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Reflection on relationship history

What effect would you expect training and ordination to have on your domestic life?

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Reflection on personality and character

In about 300 words tell us about how you see yourself and how others would see you?

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Reflection on personality and character

Tell us about the significance of your MBTI personality type.

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Reflection on your hobbies, interests and leisure pursuits

In about 200 words, please indicate how you resource yourself

Summary of health issues

Please tell us what it is important the Church should know about health issues in your family and your personal history, including any mental health concerns you have had.

If you have a mental health action plan, or think you should have one to support you in this discernment, please itemise an outline below:

Summary of issues regarding neuro-diversity

Please tell us what it is important the Church should know about issues relating to neuro-diversity in your family & personal history:

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Summary of issues regarding neuro-diversity

If you need any support in this discernment, in this area, please let us know what this might be:

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Next of kin contact information

With their consent, please provide contact details of your spouse, civil partner or next of kin so they might be contacted as the process continues for a conversation with you and the DDO

Person one

Name and relationship

Email

Mobile

Person two

Name and relationship

Email

Mobile

Person three

Name and relationship

Email

Mobile

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Referee contact information

With their consent, please provide contact details for

A Lay referee from within the Chaplaincy

Email

Mobile

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Referee contact information

With their consent, please provide contact details for

An external referee who should not attend your chaplaincy

Email

Mobile

An occupational referee

Email

Mobile

An educational referee

Email

Mobile

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Declaration

The Diocesan Director of Ordinands will use the personal information which he/ she holds about you (supplied by you and your referees) to discern your vocation to ordained ministry in the Church of England; and, where appropriate, to enable you to be assessed by a Bishop's Advisory Panel; and, if you are recommended for training, to assist in making arrangements for your training and financial support. He/ She will share your information as necessary with your sponsoring bishop, members and staff of the Bishops' Advisory Panel, and with any training institution to which you apply.

I agree that the Diocesan Director of Ordinands may use my personal information as described above.

Signature

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Where to send this form?

Please return your completed form directly to The Revd. Canon William Gulliford, Diocesan Director of Ordinands

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