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From the Central Director...

Welcome to the 2015 edition of the **Ordination Newsletter** which lists those currently studying at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute and provides useful information for those considering God's call to ordination.

A new academic year has once again begun at CITI and we extend our good wishes to the students and staff for the year that is ahead.

We congratulate those who have recently been ordained to the Diaconate and hope that their internship year will be a productive one combining learning and practice.

Those ordained Priest will by now be well settled into their parishes and we assure them, and those

whom they will serve, of our continued prayers.

We welcome to the team of Diocesan Directors of Ordinands, Adrian Green, Rector of Mount Merrion, Belfast who has been appointed DDO for Down and Dromore and the Rev Alastair Graham, Mullingar, who replaces the Rev. Peter Rutherford as DDO in Meath and Kildare. Peter, who has been DDO in Meath and Kildare for 10 years, is moving to the Parish of Kinsale in Cork. I'm most grateful to the Rev. Canon Patrick Comerford for taking the photographs for this newsletter and to Daphne Metcalfe in CITI for her assistance.

David Gillespie

The Central Director of Ordinands

Diocesan Directors of Ordinands help people to discover their gifts and use them in the Church. Ordained ministry is one way of using our gifts within the overall mission of the Church. The DDO's have different ways of supporting those who are asking the question "Am I called to ordination?" They will facilitate opportunities to help you discover the answer to that question and will connect you with others also exploring ordination.

For a full list of DDO's and their contact details see page 2.



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Before contacting your **Diocesan Director of Ordinands** (DDO) please speak to your local Rector. They can encourage you, as you prayerfully discern what area of ministry God is calling you to. Once you have spoken to your Rector the DDO will guide you through the various stages involved in discerning calling.

Armagh

The Rev Canon WM Adair
Tel: (028) 3833 2746

Connor

The Rev Canon Dr Will A Murphy
Tel: (028) 9261 9140

Down and Dromore

The Rev Adrian Green
Tel: (028) 9029 4676

Limerick and Killaloe

The Ven R Wayne Carney
Tel: (057) 912 0021

Cashel and Ossory

The Very Rev Paul Draper
Tel: (085) 54105

Cork, Cloyne and Ross

The Very Rev Alan G Marley
Tel: (021) 463 1449

Dublin and Glendalough

The Rev Adrienne Galligan
Tel: (01) 405 9708

Meath and Kildare

The Rev Alastair Graham
Tel: (044) 934 8376

Clogher

The Rev Brian Harper
Tel: (028) 6638 8238

Derry and Raphoe

The Rev Canon Sam McVeigh
Tel: (028) 7776 2680

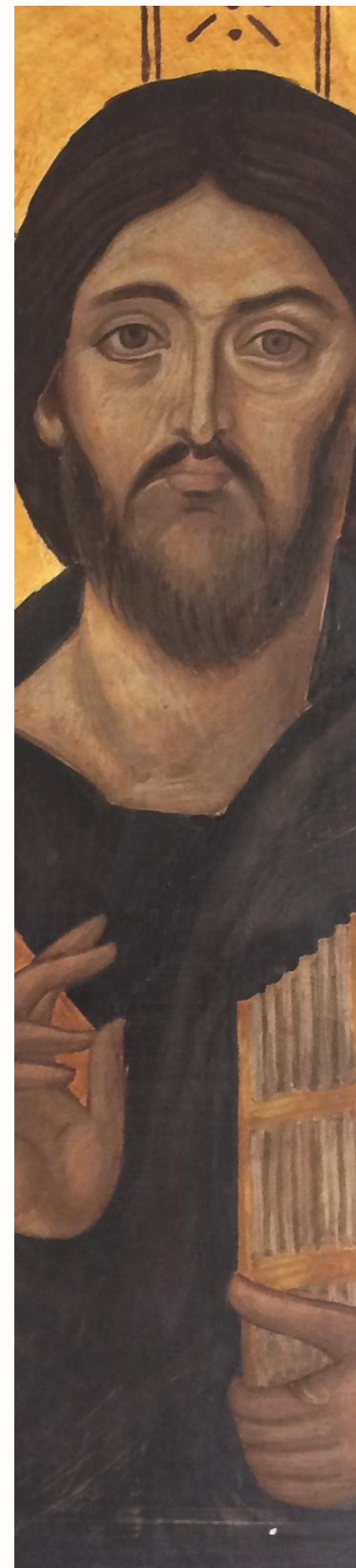
Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh

The Rev Canon Liz McElhinney
Tel: (090) 666 5413

Tuam, Killala and Achonry

The Ven Alan Synnott
Tel: (071) 9166 941

God our Father, Lord of all the world, we thank you that through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church. Hear our prayer for your faithful people that in their vocation and ministry they may be instruments of your love, and give to these your servants now to be ordained the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



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YEAR 1

Lindsey Farrell	Clogher
Sean Hanily	Kilmore
Derek Harrington	Derry & Raphoe
Alison Irvine	Clogher
Andrew Irwin	Down & Dromore
Lucy McAvoy	Down & Dromore
Ian Mills	Derry & Raphoe
James Price	Connor
Trevor Sargent	Cashel
Richard Waller	Down & Dromore

YEAR 2

Lucy Burden	Connor
Nigel Cairns	Derry & Raphoe
Mark Gallagher	Armagh
Rebecca Guildea	Dublin & Glendalough
Geoffrey Hamilton	Down & Dromore
Danielle McCullagh	Connor
Jonathan McFarland	Connor
Stuart Moles	Connor
Chris St John	Down & Dromore
Simon Scott	Dublin & Glendalough

INTERNSHIP YEAR MTh 2015/16

Philip Bryson	Connor
Dennis Christie	Down & Dromore
David Compton	Cork
Suzanne Cousins	Down & Dromore
Raymond Kettyle	Kilmore
Peter Munce	Connor
Chris McBruithin	Derry & Raphoe
Nigel Pierpoint	Connor
Peter Smith	Dublin & Glendalough
Robert Smyth	Down & Dromore
Aaron McAlister	Down & Dromore
Scott McDonald	Connor

PART-TIME INTERNSHIP

Isy Hawthorne Steele	Connor
Kevin Conroy	Dublin & Glendalough
Elizabeth Fitzgerald	Derry & Raphoe
Rhys Jones	Derry & Raphoe
Ross Styles	Dublin & Glendalough
Robert Wray	Derry & Raphoe

PART-TIME MTh STUDENTS

2012

Graham Hare	Down & Dromore
Ann Lodge	Dublin & Glendalough
Tom O'Brien	Dublin & Glendalough

2013

Heather Cooke	Connor
David McComb	Armagh
Stuart Reid	Connor
Maithrie White	Connor

2014

Peter Blake	Connor
Peter Hilton	Down & Dromore
William Jeffrey	Connor
David Moses	Armagh

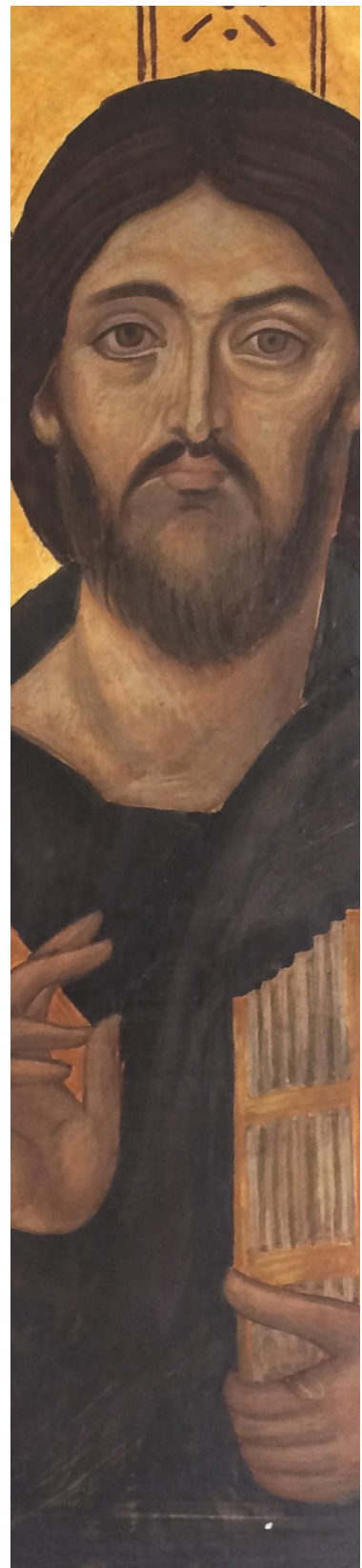
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No Candidates

Colin Taylor (Church Army transfer)	Down & Dromore
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Judi McGaffin (Transferring to full time ministry)	Derry & Raphoe
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Ken Rue (Transferring to full time Ministry)	Dublin & Glendalough
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From the Director of CITI....

Without doubt one of the great joys of working in CITI is to witness the calibre and commitment of those who are willing to offer themselves for selection and training within the life of the church. One of the comments which is often repeated to us by those who teach from outside the Institute, whether in TCD or from elsewhere, is that they are unfailingly impressed by the quality and level of engagement of the students who sit in the various classes.

As suggested by the listing of names elsewhere in this newsletter, the students in CITI come from a rich variety of backgrounds both personally and theologically. It is a constant encouragement to those of us who are privileged to work with them to see how it is that they learn to journey together in ministry, to inhabit a shared space for worship and study, to disagree charitably when appropriate, and somehow to cherish

the differing traditions of the Church of Ireland which are duly represented amongst themselves.

The Church can take heart from knowing that there are individuals of ability and integrity who are continuing to come forward in response to a genuine sense of God's call. In this present age they do so not least mindful of the many challenges which are already evident within church life. But then again, perhaps for all of us it is worth remembering that obedience to calling can often invoke a cost. Jesus did challenge his own disciples to deny themselves and take up their cross in order to learn how to follow. In the context of this document we give thanks for all who are willing to heed a similar call of Christ to a life of discipleship, prayer, service and mission.

Rev Canon Dr Maurice Elliott

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Considering Ordained Ministry

If you are considering the possibility that you might be called to the Ordained Ministry – then the first step is to go and discuss this with your Rector.

If you and your Rector both agree that there might be a calling to discern – the next stage is for your Rector to

recommend you to, and set up a discussion with, your local Diocesan Director of Ordinands (DDO).

If he or she feels there is a calling to discern they will probably recommend that you enrol in the Foundation Course. This course is designed to assist you in

the process of discerning your call as well as preparing you academically for the subsequent Master in Theology Course.

This course begins in February each year and lasts for about a year. During that year you will also be invited to meet your Diocesan Bishop who will decide on your suitability for attendance at a Selection Conference.

Towards the end of the Foundation Course year, if recommended for selection, you will be invited to attend a Selection Conference and, if accepted at that conference, will be free to begin your studies the following September or within the next three years.

Ordained to the Priesthood in 2015

David Dowles	Douglas	Cork
Alan Breen	Greystones	Dublin & Glendalough
Alistair Doanaldson	Roscommon	Kilmore
Olivia Downey	Clogher Cathedral	Clogher
Cathy Hallissey	Taney	Dublin & Glendalough
Sam Johnston	Shankill	Down & Dromore
Cameron Jones	Carrickfergus	Connor
David Martin	Hillsborough	Down & Dromore
Ruth O'Kelly	Rathfarnham	Dublin & Glendalough
Robbie Robinson	Omagh	Derry & Raphoe
Catherine Simpson	Seapatrick	Down & Dromore
Abigail Sines	Christ Church Cathedral	Dublin & Glendalough

