

What Support does the Diocese Offer?

THE BISHOPS:

The Bishop of the Diocese is responsible for ministry within the Diocese. The Bishop ministers to enable each Anglican congregation to function as effectively as possible by ensuring that local congregations are provided with priests, deacons, and laity who will lead and nurture the various ministries of the church. The Bishop shares this ministry across the Diocese with an Assistant Bishop.

THE ARCHDEACONS:

The Archdeacons have specific areas of work determined by the Bishop. The Archdeacons work closely with the Bishops in the fields of strategy, property, people management and administration.

THE MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER:

The MDO is responsible for the day to day development of MCiM. The MDO role is a one of facilitating the work of many others.

OTHER PARISHES:

One of the best resources are the parishes and people who are further ahead in the MCiM journey. You will learn a lot by visiting parishes which already have a Ministry Team. Team members from other parishes can be invited to speak to the Parish Council or Congregations.

EDUCATION AND FORMATION RESOURCES FOR PARISH CLERGY:

All clergy leading ministry teams are expected to have a ministry supervisor and are expected to attend regional support groups five times each year which will use an action-reflection model to review ministry practice.

The Diocese also sponsors a conference every two years focussing on leadership and ministry approaches which clergy leading ministry teams are expected to attend.