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• **Abbey**

A church that is or was once the home to monks or nuns.

• **Advent**

The first season of the Church's year, focused on expectation and preparation as the Church looks forward to celebrating the birth of Christ.

• **Affusion**

A method of baptism where water is poured on the head of the person being baptized.

• **Anglican**

A member of the Church of England or other Anglican Church.

• **Anglican Communion**

Global family of Anglican Churches whose links include their relationship to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

• **Archbishop**

Leading bishop with authority for a province. There are two provinces and therefore two Archbishops in England – Canterbury and York.

• **Archdeacon**

A senior member of the clergy responsible for an area called an archdeaconry. They share the pastoral care of the clergy and do much practical, legal and administrative work.

• **Archdeaconry**

A set area of a diocese for which an archdeacon is responsible.

• **Area Bishop**

Full-time assistant bishop in a diocese – takes their title from a place in the diocese. Also known as Suffragan Bishop.

• **Ascension**

Ascension is a day which marks the ascension of the risen Christ into heaven, forty days after Easter.

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