The Formation Team works in partnership with Theological Education Institutions (TEIs) and dioceses to ensure and develop the quality of Initial Ministerial Education – the formation and training of ordinands and curates, and of new licensed lay ministers.

We support online learning in the TEIs and dioceses, in particular through the provision of Virtual Learning Environments and offering a range of online resources.

We conduct research to inform and support practice which will encourage the flourishing of clergy. We do this especially through the ten-year Living Ministry project.

Training institutions

Policies, resources, and quality assurance for TEIs

After ordination

Policy and guidance for dioceses on curacy

Living Ministry

Helping clergy flourish in ministry
Contact the team

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