

Ministry Foundations



ORIENTATION & FORMATION FOR MINISTRY IN THE DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON

Ministry Foundations is a year-long formation and orientation program for newly ordained clergy, newly licensed missionaries, and clergy who are new to serving in the Diocese of Fredericton.



FORMATION

Growing into the person and leader God is calling you to be through prayer, reflection, and ongoing spiritual formation.



PRACTICE

Developing the practical skills and grounding needed for faithful, healthy, and effective ministry.



CONNECTION

Building relationships with peers, mentors and the wider diocesan community as we learn and serve together.



PLACE

Learning the stories, cultures, communities, and contexts of this diocese and how to listen and serve well within them.



Our Year Together

A YEAR OF GROWTH. A LIFETIME OF MINISTRY.

Together we will learn, pray, reflect,
and encourage one another for the
journey of ministry ahead.



2026

Thursday, **SEPTEMBER 03** | 10-12:30
Orientation & Onboarding (Employees)

SEPTEMBER 21-23
Clergy Conference

Saturday, **OCTOBER 24** | 9:30-3:30

Thursday, **NOVEMBER 26** | 9:30-3:30

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Saturday, **JANUARY 16** | 9:30-3:30

Thursday, **FEBRUARY 25** | 9:30-3:30

Saturday, **MARCH 20** | 9:30-3:30

Thursday, **APRIL 22** | 9:30-3:30

Saturday, **JUNE 05** | 9:30-3:30

Through shared learning, conversation, reading and prayer, we'll explore the practical, relational and contextual realities of serving in ministry together.

READ · REFLECT · DISCUSS

Our formation will include shared reading and conversation throughout the year.

Commitment

Formation happens not only through the content we explore, but through the relationships we build along the way. New clergy and lay missionaries are expected to commit to the full year and to make each gathering a priority. We recognize that ministry, work, family, and unexpected circumstances will occasionally require flexibility.

Please reserve all dates now. Session details and locations will follow.

Any questions can be directed to

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