



## Introducing our 2019 Diocesan Conference...

We are delighted to invite you to this year's diocesan conference at Swanwick.

We will have a particular focus on how we develop a missional culture where all God's people can flourish together in their life and ministries. Spiritually and emotionally healthy patterns of life are essential if we are to walk in the way of Jesus, let alone sustain our readiness to engage deeply in his mission in the world.

We are called to **abide** deeply in Christ (John 15) as well as to **abound** in the work of the Lord (1 Cor 15). These two are integral to Christian discipleship and mission. The conference will provide opportunity to reflect on how this should shape the culture of the diocese at a 'tipping point' in seeing our vision for spiritual and numerical growth become a reality touching every part of the diocese - villages, towns and cities - hospitals, prisons and schools.

Every person and every parish has a part to play in this adventure. Our speakers will draw on biblical and theological wisdom that should challenge our thinking and inspire our praying. There is too much at stake in our society and world today for us to be overwhelmed by the scale of the challenges and opportunities before us. We need to be part of a movement that is **Abiding** and **Abounding** in the power, grace and wisdom of God.

The conference is open to Clergy, Stipendiary Lay Ministers and all those who share in leading the ministry and mission of the church. We do hope you can join us and look forward to sharing with people from every parish and chaplaincy in what is set to be a stimulating few days.

See you there!



## Keynote Speakers

### DR JANE WILLIAMS

Dr Jane Williams is Assistant Dean and Lecturer in Systematic Theology at St Mellitus College. She is also a visiting Lecturer in Theology at King's College London, having previously taught at Trinity College Bristol. She is an experienced editor, is regularly invited to teach and speak all over the world, and is involved in promoting theological education in other parts of the Anglican Communion. She is married to Rowan, and they have two children.



### PROFESSOR TOM GREGGS

Tom Greggs, FRSE, holds the Marischal Chair and is Head of Divinity at the University of Aberdeen. Educated at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, his publications include: *Dogmatic Ecclesiology Volume 1: The Priestly Catholicity of the Church* (Baker); *Theology against Religion* (T&T Clark); *New Perspectives for Evangelical Theology* (Routledge); and *Barth, Origin, and Universal Salvation* (OUP). A Methodist Preacher, he has given seminars, lectures and sermons across the globe, and is passionate about the vitality of the church. He is married to Heather and lives in rural Aberdeenshire.



*How can I encounter more of God's rest in a world where life is so fast and full?*

*How can we maintain energy and momentum around our local priorities for evangelism and discipleship when everyone is already so stretched?*

*How can the church really be the good news it is given to announce to the world?*

*How can the way we live for Christ in the 'everyday' impact the culture of our society in a time of rapid change and political uncertainty?*

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## The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick

The Conference fee is £160\* and booking forms and payment must be received by 13th September 2019.

\*Normally clergy claim the cost from the PCC. Ministry Teams should approach PCCs for assistance in funding the conference fee. In cases of difficulty for anyone please contact the Department for Discipleship & Ministry.

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