



CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL SYNOD: The Reverend Ms Jody Stowell  
DIOCESE AND DEANERY: Willesden Area, London Diocese, Harrow Deanery  
CURATE: All Saints' Harrow Weald 2011-2014  
VICAR: St Michael and All Angel's Harrow Weald 2014-present  
CHAIR, HOUSE OF CLERGY, LONDON DIOCESE: 2018-present  
EX-OFFICIO, DIOCESAN BISHOP'S COUNCIL  
EX-OFFICIO, DIOCESAN FINANCE COMMITTEE  
EX-OFFICIO, LONDON BOARD OF SCHOOLS NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

LONDON DIOCESE MEDIATION TEAM

- This year I have been ordained ten years, all served in London Diocese. I am from Scotland, and have lived in the North of England, and then in Berkshire, Oxford Diocese, from where I was sent to train for ordination.
- In December 2018 I was elected as Chair of the House of Clergy for London Diocese and have sought to serve the House in helping set the agenda for our Diocesan Synod, and speaking into those issues which are important for the regular Parish Priest and all the Parishes across London Diocese.
- I am from an Open Evangelical tradition and have an inclusive theology on LGBT+ matters. I am 'pro' same-sex marriage and believe it to be consonant with the biblical narrative, and so look to encourage the flourishing of all human beings within the Church of England.
- I have also found that my ministry involves seeking gender justice in the local and national structures of the church and I was a member of the WATCH (Women and the Church) national committee, 2013-2019.
- In my local church ministry, I would like to champion the voice of the mid-sized/small parish church and look to find ways in which the General Synod can support and affirm their work and flourishing. Often the 'average' parish church is framed as simply maintaining the status quo at best, or hastening general decline at worst, however that is far from my experience as a parish priest of a mid-sized church and I would like to see us work from the centre to resource these kinds of parishes, for the flourishing of the whole Church of England.

Thank you for reading!

With every blessing, Jody