



*The Holy See of Antioch
Apostolic Old Catholic Church*

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Proposed Training Programme

for

All clerics



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The Proposed training programme is for all clerics and is an ongoing process of development which falls into two sections:

1. Academic Study
2. Practical Ministry

1. Academic Study

Each cleric is required to have at least a basic understanding of the Scriptures and development of the Church from its earliest days.

With research, studies can be linked in with existing academic courses in local Bible Colleges/Theological Colleges/Colleges in the area.

Studies will centre around the following:

A basic understanding of the Old Testament:

- * Introduction to the Old Testament and Apocrypha
- * The Pentateuch and call and formation of Gods people as they journey through the wilderness
- * The Major and Minor Prophets
- * The Wisdom Literature and Apocryphal Writings.

A basic understanding of the New Testament

- * Introduction to the New Testament
- * The Life of Jesus in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark & Luke) and the Gospel of John



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- * The call of the Apostles and early mission of the Church
- * The Pauline Letters and other Pastoral Letters — the Book of Revelation

Church History and Patristics:

- * Early Heresies
- * The Writings of the Early Fathers and the development of Christian doctrine through the 7 Ecumenical Councils
- * The role of Monasticism
- * The Great Schism
- * The Papacy and Roman Catholic Church
- * The Reformation
- * The rise of Non-Conformity
- * Apostolic Succession in the Old Catholic Church
- * The history of the Holy See of Antioch

Theology

- * God the Holy Trinity
- * The Person of Jesus
- * The Blessed Virgin Mary and Communion of Saints
- * Sin, Faith & Salvation
- * Grace & Works
- * The Church



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- * Gifts of the Spirit
- * The Sacred Ministry
- * The Sacraments
- * Doctrines of the Eucharist
- * The Real Presence of Christ

2. Practical Ministry

This can largely be carried out 'in House' during residential weekends

The Liturgy

The Liturgical Calendar:

- * Its seasons, saint's days and colours

A basic understanding of the Liturgy:

- * It's origins, development and importance
- * The various liturgical books and rites
- * The anamnesis, epiclesis and doctrines of transubstantiation, consubstantiation and memorial meal (Lord's Supper argument)

The Role of the minister in the Liturgy:

- * The liturgical functions and clerical attire of the bishop, priest and deacon

Celebrating /Offering the holy Sacrifice :

- * Practical instruction



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The Nature of the sacraments:

- * Ministry to the sick
- * Marriage,
- * Blessing of civil partnerships
- * Sacramental confession ,
- * Holy baptism

The development and importance of the daily office:

- * In Line with the cleric- growing into maturity through prayer, retreats, pilgrimage and spiritual direction

Mission and Evangelism

Pastoralia:

- * Conducting funerals and counselling the bereaved
- * Spiritual Direction
- * Working with children and vulnerable adults
- * Homiletics (preparation & preaching)
- * House blessings
- * The healing ministry
- * Deliverance ministry



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Suggested reading material to understand the liberal Catholic dogma:

1. The Science of the Sacraments by Charles Webster Leadbeater
2. The Complete Liturgy for Independent, Mystical, and Liberal Catholics
3. The Sunday Missal: The Order of Mass for Sundays
4. The CTS New Catholic Bible
5. CTS A Simple Prayer Book

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