

Reader's Newsletter Advent 2020

Welcome to the Readers Newsletter for Advent, 2020
and the end of a somewhat unconventional year!

Notice of the Reader Association Annual General Meeting

**The Annual General Meeting of the
Worcester Diocesan Readers Association will be held on
Thursday 17 December, 2020 at 7.30pm on Zoom**

You should have already received Annual Report including details of how to access the meeting. If you have any problems please contact your Archdeaconry Secretaries, Joyce and Mel.

Calendar 2020

Thursday 17th Dec 7:30pm Reader AGM Zoom

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Fri 8th - Sat 9th Jan	Faith & Science in the local Church	Zoom
Tuesday 12th Jan 2:30pm	Living with Liturgy 1 - Doug Chaplin	Zoom
Tuesday 19th Jan 2:30pm	Living with Liturgy 2 - Doug Chaplin	Zoom
Tuesday 26th Jan 1:00pm	'An Evangelical Philosophy of Science?' Faraday Institute	Zoom
Tuesday 26th Jan 2:30pm	Living with Liturgy 3 - Doug Chaplin	Zoom
Tuesday 2nd Feb 2:30pm	Living with Liturgy 4 - Doug Chaplin	Zoom
Tuesday 9th Feb 1:00pm	'How the Quantum Revolution Vindicates Aristotle's Metaphysics' Faraday Institute	Zoom
Tuesday 23rd Feb 1:00pm	'Theology Past the Tipping Point: God's Goodness in a World of Rapid Change' Faraday Institute	Zoom
Tuesday 9th March 1:00pm	'From Biology to Theology: How Viruses Challenge Our Perception of Good and Evil' Faraday Institute	Zoom
Thursday 26 Mar	Provisional Dementia Day at Holland House	
Fri 7th -Sun 9th May	Provisional Reader Weekend at Holland House	

Letter from Revd Rob Farmer
Warden for the Worcester Archdeaconry

Dear colleagues in ministry,

Most articles you read in any context these days begin with the phrase “this has been a year like no other...” or something along those lines. So, not wanting to disappoint I want to echo those sentiments too.



It has been tremendously difficult for many people, especially those who have been alone or isolated for whatever reason, and I know that you too will have had, and continue to have your own struggles as we navigate these foggy waters.

We all know and trust that God always brings something good out of something bad, and this has been no exception. Many of you have had to get to grips with new ways of being and doing ‘Church’, and the creativity, determination and faithfulness shown by you will have made an enormous impact on the communities you serve.

In many cases I have heard that people are talking more, (many parishes having calling plans in place to keep in touch with people) and that in itself must be a good thing. And dare I mention the dreaded (or not so dreaded) technology we have had to get to grips with. Whether you are a Techno-Wizz or a Luddite or somewhere in between, I am sure it will have touched your ministry in some way.

We have become a Church of Zoomers, Streamers, Skypers and YouTubers – something we probably never dreamed we would be doing in the context of our ministry – and yet in doing this we have reached out and made heard God’s word to many new people, not just our existing congregations. How wonderful is that!

At the recent Clergy Conference, David Runcorn (who’s work you may know) was one of the contributors. He commented that in the coming months and years that the Church is facing a tsunami of change. Things may never be quite the same again, and that is sometimes hard to come to terms with. Indeed, as someone once said “the only constant in the universe is that things will change”.

As ministers of the Gospel we are all called to proclaim that Gospel afresh in every new age, and I know we can rise to the challenge. St Paul in his letter to the Philippians (4:13) reminds us that we don’t do this on our own “I can do all things through him who strengthens me...”. And Jesus himself reminds us in his great commission “I am with you always...”.

Amongst all the changes and challenges we face we have this firm anchor to hold on to: Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever.

On behalf of Sue, Kath and myself can I take this opportunity to offer heartfelt thanks to you for all you do in God’s name in these challenging times, and remind you that you are in our prayers and that you can contact us anytime you need to.

For all that has been: Thanksgiving. For all that is: Praise. For all that is to come: Hope.

With every blessing

Rob

***** ANNUAL RETURNS *****

Yes, it's that time of year again, and no, I don't mean Advent, Christmas or even New Year. It's Annual Return Time!!! and isn't it a wonderful opportunity to look back over the previous 12 months and to recognise how God has worked in and through us, to see how He has enabled us to serve Him by serving others in ways we perhaps never even considered at the beginning of 2020. It is also a time not only of looking back and giving thanks, but also for looking forward, considering just what God might have in store for us during the next 12 months.



Completion of the Annual Return is vitally important, not only does it enable Sue, Rob and myself to support Readers across the Diocese, it also enables Elaine, our Registrar, to complete the Return she has to make to the Central Readers Council, as well as keeping our own Diocesan records up to date. Amongst other things, it also assists our CMD group in making decisions about what training opportunities to offer in the year ahead, both for our Quiet Days and the Holland House Weekend. So yes, completion of the Annual Return is important, and important in so many different ways.

There is no doubt that this year has at times been very difficult and definitely very different for us all, to reflect this, the Annual Return looks slightly different, there are different/extra boxes to complete so please take care when doing so. However much or little you have undertaken during the year, PLEASE, PLEASE, complete the Return, discuss it and your Role Description (Working Agreement) with your incumbent or supervising person and, return it to Elaine no later than the date requested, thereby saving her a great deal of extra work in having to chase people who have either forgotten it, or left it to the last minute. I know she would greatly appreciate your co-operation.

Finally, I would like to say a very big THANK YOU from Sue, Rob and myself for all the hard work and faithful service which each of you so willingly give. May you enjoy a peaceful Christmas and feel God's presence in all that you do.

Kath Davis
Dudley Archdeaconry Warden

Quiet Day November 2020

The Quiet Day for Readers was held at Holland House in November 2020 was very much appreciated. Thanks to Mike Bunclark for organising and the staff at Holland House for the measures they had put in place, so that everyone felt safe and able to relax and appreciate the day.

Living with the Liturgy

A short CMD course for Readers / LLMs

This is a pilot of four week-course looking at how the liturgy of Holy Communion provides plenty of resources to help us think more deeply about, and live out more faithfully, our call to be followers of Jesus in today's world.



This is for LLMs who:

- a) would like to explore how to relate the liturgy to daily faith in their preaching
- b) want to help shape this draft course as one they could use with a wide range of people
- c) want to deepen their own engagement with God through the liturgy.

The four sessions of the course are:

12th January

Sorry, Thanks, Please – Rehearsing our relationship with God (The Gathering)

19th January

Between Word and World – Listening and Speaking to God (Liturgy of the Word)

26th January

Transformed with Christ – Living in the light of the Kingdom (Liturgy of the Sacrament)

2nd February

Blessed and blessing – Learning to share what we have and who we are (The Dismissal)

This course will run online, 14.30 – 16.00 on 12, 19, 26 January and 2 February, 2021.

Please register via Eventbrite, <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-with-the-liturgy-tickets-128768065751?aff=KD> and you will be sent the Zoom links and some preparatory material early in the New Year.

If you have any problems with the booking process, please [email the Training Administrator](#)

I hope you will find this a helpful start to the year, and a useful tool for ministry in your parishes, and I look forward to seeing some (perhaps many) of you in these sessions.

Yours with my prayers for a fruitful Advent

Doug

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Other Events for Readers

Dementia Day - Thursday 26th March Holland House

Tentative plans are being made. If you are interested in taking part, make a note of the date and watch out for further details.

Reader Weekend 7th - 9th May

Possibly limited number of residential places with events live streamed.

Reader Licensing Service

Provisionally booked for September 18th, 2021 at 2:30pm in the Cathedral.

New Link Readers required

Link Readers play an important part in the life of a deanery and diocese. They work collaboratively with the Archdeaconry Warden and others. The purpose of this role is to be a point of contact and pastoral support for licensed lay ministers (LLMs) in the deanery and to assist in promoting and fostering this ministry.

We currently have vacancies for Link Readers in the Malvern, Pershore and Upton Deaneries.

It is more important than ever that we encourage good communication and links between LLM's in the diocesan structure and so I would ask LLM's in these deaneries to think carefully and pray reflectively to see if this is a ministry you might be able to offer.

If you would like further details about the role or would like an informal conversation about it please do contact Revd Rob Farmer – Worcester Archdeaconry Warden – on 01905-319157 or by email: revdrobfarmer@gmail.com

Reader Roadshow

On Tuesday 3rd November we held our usual Reader Roadshow, this year on Zoom you will not be surprised to hear. Kath Davis, Doug Chaplin and myself were present along with both experienced and newly licensed Readers who gave a flavour of what Reader ministry is like and experiences of training at Queen's.

Ten people signed up to the roadshow who are exploring ministry and there were opportunities for them to talk together in small groups and come up with questions to grill us all with in the plenary.

It was a positive evening all round and Kath and I will be following up on potential candidates hopefully leading to a discernment day next year.

Please do pray for all those who are exploring ministry at this time, asking God to stir up the vocation that is in each one of us.

Rob

It's a Licenced Lay Ministers life for me!

Hello! My name is Charles Morgan and I, along with Alison Lewis, Carol Morris, Sue Hiscocks and Sally Spencer was licensed as a Lay Minister ("LLM") at Worcester Cathedral on Saturday 19 September 2020. For me, this was a culmination of over 10 years of reflection, discernment and training to understand what God was calling me to do.



From left to right:
Sally Spencer, *Halas Team Halesowen*;
Charles Morgan, *Halas Team Halesowen*;
Bishop John, *Bishop of Worcester*,
Alison Lewis, *St Leonards, Clent*;
Sue Hiscocks, *Benefice of Fladbury, Hill and Moor, Wyre Piddle, Crophorne and Charlton*;
Carol Morris, *Benefice of Kidderminster East*.

If you had asked me 10 years ago was I going to be licensed as an LLM the answer would have been a resounding no. Equally, I would have been surprised that it would take 10 years of discernment for me to arrive at this place. But God ensures that in doing his will you will succeed and this required a number of factors in my life to change. Not least was the need for me to change jobs, not once but twice, during the process. But each new job has given me the additional flexibility that I have needed to pursue training and possibly opportunities as to where God will use me going forward.

If you trained for ministry some time ago, you may not know how current training and thinking has evolved. You may recall that a few years ago, Worcester took the decision to move training to The Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Training in Edgbaston and supplement it with a course run over three weekends each year at Holland House. Study at Queens takes place once a week on a Tuesday evening. Here we spend two years training alongside ordinates for the Church of England and Methodist Church as well as a number of independent students from very differing backgrounds. This gives a myriad of different religious perspectives and diversity which assists in developing an understanding of our faith. Training alongside people who will be ordained and incumbent's in churches and parishes with LLM's should ensure that they understand the training we have received and therefore the value we can add to the life of the church.

A typical Tuesday evening at Queens usually begins at 5pm with chapel. While this is always a communion service, its form and content will vary each week due to the diversity of people organising and taking the service. Chapel is a very inspiring place, not least because rather than all facing forwards there are two rows of chairs each side running virtually the length of the Chapel facing one another.

On a Tuesday evening the Chapel is almost full with students who live on campus, lecturers and staff, students who have finished a day's teaching and those who have arrived for evening lectures. Image the power of the hymns and prayers reverberating from side to side! This is followed by an evening meal together at 6pm. There is something about a hall with around 100 Christians sitting and sharing a meal that is very wonderful and perhaps helps us get a glimpse of what the early Christians shared. The first year's food was nothing like the food we get at Holland House. Indeed, although it was always edible, it tended to be a varying shade of grey each week, no matter what it was supposed to be! Meals improved in the second year, when a salad bar was added!

Queen's lectures begin at 6:45pm and run till 9:30pm with a 15 minute coffee break in the middle. The biggest advantage Worcester gets from using Queen's is that many of the lecturers are eminent authorities in their field. During our two year period we cover ten different subject courses. These, of course, included studying a handful of books from both the Old and New Testament and also how to read the bible using different contexts. We skimmed 2000 years of Christian history in about six weeks which while fascinating only covered the key points. This is something that I intend to read in more detail along with a vast list of other books. Our consideration of Christian worship and liturgy focussed on how we use our church buildings and the bible. We considered how symbolism and words are used to form us. Subjects such as Christian doctrine and Christian faith and ethical living were challenging subject as, for a many of us, they brought a number of raw or buried issues to the surface as we considered topics such as death, sin and salvation. The advantage of having a class with mixed denominations is a greater variety of understanding and opinion. The lectures were devised into such a format that you would frequently attend and form one opinion that would be challenged and countered and then debate with your peers.

Lockdown came as we completed our last couple of modules. This restricted our access to the Queens library and moved both research and reading online along with lectures. As someone who likes a paper copy of a text in front of me this challenged both the way I studied and my printer! Since I did not want to waste reams of paper and did not want the cost of too much printer ink, a compromise was reached and only key texts were printed. It was a new experience to have remote lessons on Zoom but something we have all had to get used to and become experts in over the last year.

When I commenced training at Queens I was working full time and would not have been able to have attended the course without the understanding of my employer who let me leave early on a Tuesday and make the time up. In some ways, I went into training with my eyes closed. While I am normally the sort of person who would undertake loads of research before committing, because I knew I had to do this I committed, in what can only be considered a total leap of faith without fully realising the full extent of the time commitment. If I had known the amount of time required in attending Tuesdays and some weekends as well as reading, homework, research and essays in advance I know I would have said "I don't have time for all that!" So God initially kept it a mystery to me until I was on the course, then helped me get through it with immense support and understanding

from my family; as the garden became overgrown, days out and visiting became less and, on more occasions than I would like to admit, I became grumpy!

When reflecting on my time at Queens, the experiences of chapel and meal time were equally as important in my development as any of the lectures. These social events were the time when I felt what I imagine it would be like to live in a religious community. You feel the love and support from all those who are studying around you at college and this played a big part in building, moving and sustaining my religious life through those two years. I am proud to say I went to Queen's and to know that, as I will always regard them as my family, they will always regard me as one of their family.

Licensing was also very different not least because we were all wearing facemasks. For a number of weeks it looked like our licensing would be delayed but eventually it was allowed to go ahead with social distancing under the rules for a "life event". This meant that for the five of us being licenced we could only have two guests each. I know all of us found this a hard choice. There were a number a people, not least my Mom, daughter and work colleague who had proof read all my essays over two years, who could not attend. While it saddens me even now that they could not attend, Worcester Cathedral did a fantastic job at maintaining social distancing but still making it a special, intimate and very moving occasion.



A very different licensing service. Facemasks, social distancing, no hymns and no congregation or other LLM's to witness us being licenced. Only 30 people in total and a cantor to provide a musical interlude.

During our training, we had also trained alongside Yuki Johnson who was licensed on 7 October 2020 in the Diocese of London to the Ealing Deanery. Yuki has a special ministry to the Japanese community in London. Yuki lives in the Worcester Diocese and it was confirm as part of our licensing service that Yuki would be welcomed as a Reader in the Diocese when requested.



New skills are already being developed and honed. I never expected when I started training that the majority of the first things I would undertake would be morning and evening prayer on Facebook. Or that I would sing hymns online or become so adept at putting a face mask on and off. I have preached once, since licensing, in church and due to lockdown 2 everything else I have done has been either written, recorded or online. My first sermon was eventful since my incumbent was keen to mark my licensing to the team by blessing me with oil. With great glee he dropped spots on the palms of both hands and a big spot on my head for good measure. As you will probably realise it only takes a small amount of oil to go a very long way and this was especially the case when I then added hand sanitiser to ensure my hands were clean. Luckily, God has gifted me with the ability to use prompts when preaching rather than a script since I think it would have been interesting to try and turn pages with that oily combination on my hands.

As I look back over my period of discernment and training and particularly because of how the church has needed to adapt and change over the last year, I realise that what I was expecting to do and what I am actually doing and expect to do going forward has totally changed. Back at the start of the process I thought God's call was to preach and take services at church but as I have learned so I realise my thinking was far too narrow for God. The last two years of my journey have been shared with all my work colleagues who have asked about what I have studied each week, shared their thoughts as part of my homework and read my essays. This showed me the importance of being and sharing out in the community.

Following my second forced job move in March, God has proved me with the additional flexibility to consider doing funeral training when it runs in 2021. This was something that even twelve months ago would have been out of the question. I have for some time been adamant that I am called by God to be a deployable LLM and while I accept that I still have much to learn, which will only come by working with my local clergy and reader team, I will continue to push for deployment around the north of the Diocese where a LLM is need. I guess I have learned not to second guess what God wants us to do. Rather we should be continually listening and be ready to take the challenges offered to us because God will always give us the time and resources to undertake it if we simply trust.

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LOCK-DOWN 2020

When 'lock-down' hit us, the Vicar started 'live-streaming' Services from the Vicarage which took a lot of time and effort. He asked me to lead a Pastoral team to support our elderly, vulnerable, housebound church members by phone calls and, when possible, 'doorstep visits'. I've made around 50 phone calls during some weeks, but they are much appreciated by lonely people. Many of our people don't have computers, so have no access to our Services or to emails, and they embarked on long weeks of self-isolating. Some of them haven't been out for 9 months now, so I've cycled around delivering prayer cards and letters to keep them in touch. It makes me very thankful to be well and active.

During June, we created 'Bags of Love' for people in lock-down, with puzzle books, jigsaws, notecards, biscuits etc. Mums of small children offered paintings for elderly people, so we delivered delightful pictures from an 18-month old and a 2 year-old! We also put together 'Grow bags' – a kit to enable people to grow cress on their windowsills, and it was lovely to hear that in due course they enjoyed cheese, ham or egg and cress sandwiches.

I was commissioned as an Anna Chaplain, a Bible Reading Fellowship initiative to support older people. I can't visit Care Homes as I normally would, but I'm in contact with the staff and residents – they'll be so relieved to see visitors when it's possible. We delivered craft packs to our 4 local Homes and when we'd finished making 'scrubs' for the Hospices, we made 130 lavender bags and greetings cards for the residents. Currently, across Malvern, we're knitting angels and making Christmas cards for residents and staff at all the Homes.

Inevitably, we've had funerals – it's so hard for the families, and extra challenging for everyone, planning funerals and supporting families by phone instead of pastoral visits. Some of our own church members have had deaths or other problems within their families and needed some support through difficult times. Videoing myself doing readings and sermons for my own church is beyond me, but I'm helping another church which is in a vacancy, whose services are on Conference Call – i.e. on the phone! It's a strange way to preach, but it works, and at least it's accessible to everyone.



Eileen being commissioned as an Anna Chaplain, photo Diocese of Worcester website

The country lanes around Malvern were so peaceful and beautiful for early morning cycle rides, and I planned a sponsored cycle ride. It's 40 years since Joan, my sister, died, aged 32, and I was 70 this year, so it seemed appropriate to mark this anniversary. I planned routes of 32 miles daily on 7 (not 70!) days, a total of 224 miles. We set up a 'Giving' site and sponsor forms, and money rolled in, raising £6,620 for our Acorns Children's Hospice. I was *amazed* at people's generosity.

We're now raising funds to establish a Dementia Centre in our Church Room. We've been awarded grants, and when we've reached our target, the County Council will add their contribution. It was their idea, but we've had to 'crowd-fund' to start with.

It's been good to Zoom or Skype with relatives and friends, I've run singing sessions on Zoom, and Brownie meetings with crafts and simple science, also on Zoom. It's challenging, but 5 new Brownies have joined, who I've never actually met. We hope to have real meetings next year – eventually! It just isn't the same on the screen! We have great plans for Advent: Edible Nativity, Christingle and Crib services, 2 or 3 sittings for each, to keep numbers down.

Much of the time I've felt I had one foot in and one foot out of 'lock-down' and I've found that exhausting and challenging. That situation will go on for some time yet, with many people still needing support and encouragement.

So, it's been a busy year and I can't believe it's nearly 2021 – we all have great hopes for next year and I believe we need to pray fervently that the vaccines will be fully effective.

I hope all Readers stay well and that next year is better than this.

Keep safe. A Happy Christmas and Happy New Year.

Eileen Tomlin

Anna Chaplaincy Prayer

Faithful God, you have promised in Christ to be with us to the end of time.

Come close to those who have lived long and experienced much.

Help them to continue to be faithful and,

within the all-age kingdom of God,

to find ways to go on giving and receiving your grace, day by day.

For your glory and your kingdom.

Amen

A virtual Interview with Jill Nicholls, Reader at Kingswinford

Good afternoon Jill . It is lovely to have this opportunity to catch up with you, albeit through the power of the internet. Let us begin with a choice of drink and something to accompany it What would be your choice of be?

My choice of drink would be a good strong cup of tea with a slice of home made fruit cake.

It is lovely to see you at there on your sofa, relaxing with a cuppa.



To get us underway please choose a hymn, song or piece of music and tell us a bit about why you chose it.

My choice of hymn is All my hope on God is founded - This is because when I was licensed as a Reader (Licensed Lay Minister) my group and I walked in to this hymn, which as stayed with me and remained a firm favourite over the years.

Normally I ask Readers if they have always lived in Worcestershire, but the boundaries of our Diocese stretch beyond the county boundary including parts of the Black Country where you are based. Therefore, I need to tweak the question and ask if you have always lived in the Black Country?

I have always been a black country girl. I was born in Wordsley Hospital back in 1958. I grew up in Kingswinford with my parents; went to the local Church school and then to Secondary School, both in Kingswinford.

In the early years Kingswinford was part of Lichfield Diocese as it was in Staffordshire, in the early 90's Kingswinford became part of Worcester Diocese.

I became a member of St. Mary's Church aged 7, having been baptised there as a baby. Both my parents were Christians, and my dad started to take me to Evensong. The rest as they say is history!

How long have you been a Reader and where are you based?

I have been a Reader for 16 years, based at St. Mary's Kingswinford, but also enjoy helping in other churches as this very much enriches my ministry.

Looking back, can you pinpoint a moment when your faith journey began?

My faith journey began at a very young age.

I was born with a physical disability.

God gave me a Spirit of trust and perseverance, and I relied on Him and His strength. Being told you will never walk, never amount to much spurred me on.

So to this point my relationship with the Lord has lasted for 62 years.

I am very active, drive and do most things others folks do.

What time in your life was your faith especially important to you?

With regard to importance of my faith, I can't pinpoint a specific moment because the Lord has always been in my life, so therefore I have always had a faith. However since March of this year and Covid 19 lockdown, having faith and trust in the Lord for protection, guidance and strength has become so much more real and alive. Without faith much of the work done in His name would not have happened and so many wonderful opportunities would have been lost.

If you were asked to choose a character from the Bible other than Jesus, who would it be and why?

A biblical character would have to be St.Peter. I can relate to Peter so well. Peter was an ordinary man not clever, just ordinary with all the faults of a human being; but Jesus made him extraordinary. Peter allowed Jesus to mould him into something new and wonderful for Him. That is my hope too!

This is tough, I know, but can you pick one Bible verse or short passage and explain why you chose it?

My bible verse is John 14 verses 1-6; because Jesus gives hope and reassurance for the future. He says ***"I will come again and take you to where I am"***
I also love this piece because of St.Thomas's worldliness ***"Lord we do not know where you are going, how can we know the way?"***
Followed by Jesus reply ***"I am the way, the truth and the life"***
Really what more do we need to know?

As Readers we all have different ministries, what part of your ministry do you find most fulfilling?

As a Reader I really enjoy taking services and preaching about God's love for us and all creation. But the ministry that is really at the heart of who I am is funeral ministry. This ministry has taken on a new significance during the virus. It has been challenging, but also very rewarding to reach out, comfort and help those struggling with bereavement during these strange and difficult times. I am so grateful to our Lord for these opportunities.

As Readers we encounter a vast array of liturgy. If you could choose one prayer, other than The Lord's Prayer, what would it be and why?

And finally - the prayer which I have chosen - this prayer was said at the end of every day at primary and junior school.

Teach us Good Lord to serve you as you deserve,
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labour and not to ask for any reward;
save that of knowing that we do your will. Amen
St. Ignatius of Loyola

Thank you so much for sharing with us, Jill. Now would you care for another cup of tea and piece of fruit cake?

The Bigger Picture

The Warden of Readers, Canon Sue Oliver, commends the following online training opportunities organised by The Faraday Institute in Cambridge, which may be of particular interest to Readers interested in Science and Faith. There is a charge for the two day workshop, but the seminars are free.

Faith and Science in the Local Church - Workshop

A two-day workshop on faith and science designed for church leaders, both lay and ordained, and those in training. Participants will explore a wide range of science and faith issues and think about their relevance in the context of the local church.

The workshop will be held 8-9 January 2021, as an online Zoom meeting. It will cost £50 (£30 for those training for ministry).

For more details, see faraday.institute/churchleadersworkshop

Seminars

This academic year Faraday Institute Research Seminars will be online, making them accessible to all who are interested, wherever they may be.

This term's seminars are:

26th January
1pm
Dr Stuart Mathieson [Dublin City University]
***'An Evangelical Philosophy of Science?
From Bacon and Paley to Stokes'***

9th February
1pm
Prof. Robert Joons [University of Texas]
***'How the Quantum Revolution Vindicates Aristotle's
Metaphysics'***

23rd February
1pm
Dr Bethany Sollereeder [Oxford University]
***'Theology Past the Tipping Point: God's Goodness in a
World of Rapid Change'***

9th March
1pm
Dr Schilling [Oxford University]
***'From Biology to Theology: How Viruses Challenge Our
Perception of Good and Evil'***

All seminars will be held at 1pm GMT - please visit faraday.institute/seminars for the link www.faraday.cam.ac.uk

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