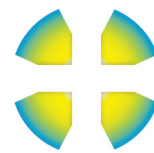


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Individual Members

Members of Forward in Faith support the work of The Society and Forward in Faith financially and practically – both individually and through their diocesan branch of Forward in Faith.

They

- ✘ receive our monthly magazine *New Directions*
- ✘ elect the clerical and lay branch chairmen and other members of the National Assembly of Forward in Faith.

Registered Parishes

Parishes that are affiliated to The Society are invited also to register with Forward in Faith.

Registered parishes are entitled

- ✘ to appoint two members (one clerical and one lay) to the annual National Assembly of Forward in Faith
- ✘ to receive discounts on advertising in Forward in Faith publications and on the Forward in Faith website.

Registered Charity number 1057246

Governance

Forward in Faith's Constitution is approved by the National Assembly.

The National Assembly elects the Chairman of Forward in Faith, the Lay and Clerical Vice-Chairmen and the Council of Forward in Faith.

The day-to-day management of Forward in Faith is in the hands of an Executive Committee, whose members are the Trustees of the Charity.

The Executive Committee comprises the officers elected by the National Assembly, a Treasurer appointed by the Council, three members elected by the Council, and three members chosen for their expertise (co-opted by the Executive with the approval of the Council).



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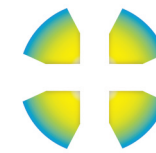
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The Society is an ecclesial community established by the catholic bishops of the Church of England to address the new situation created by the ordination of women to the episcopate as well as to the priesthood.

- ✘ It promotes and maintains catholic teaching and practice within the Church of England.
- ✘ It guarantees a ministry in the historic, apostolic succession and a true sacramental life, by commending Priests of The Society whose sacramental ministry can be received with confidence.
- ✘ It provides episcopal oversight for Priests of The Society and for parishes that affiliate to The Society.
- ✘ The parishes of The Society enjoy a relationship of full communion not only with their bishop but also with all the other parishes of The Society.
- ✘ The Society is led by a Council of Bishops

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The Council of Bishops

The Council of Bishops consists of diocesan and suffragan bishops, together with other bishops whom they co-opt.

The Council meets regularly with the other bishops of The Society, and also with leading members of the Catholic Societies of the Church of England and the Catholic Group in General Synod.

Bishops' Representatives

In each diocese the Bishop of The Society is represented by his Bishop's Representative – a priest who is available to advise and represent the clergy and parishes of The Society in that diocese.

Membership

The Society is an ecclesial community, not a membership organization. All baptized Christians who worship in a parish of The Society or whose priest is a Priest of The Society belong to The Society.

Those who wish to support the aims of The Society are asked to support its work by joining Forward in Faith – the membership organization which finances and supports The Society.

We seek to grow in holiness

- ✦ through worship and personal prayer
- ✦ by studying the Scriptures
- ✦ by celebrating the Sacraments.

We are committed to proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord

- ✦ through mission, pastoral care and service
- ✦ by working to build a society that points to the Kingdom of God.

*We seek to flourish within the life and structures
of the Church of England, and to make our full
contribution to Christ's mission in our Diocese.*

Heavenly Father,
bless the bishops, clergy and people of The Society.
Bind us together in love and faith.
Renew us in service and witness.
And by your Holy Spirit
Guide our future and make plain your purposes.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Saint Wilfrid, pray for us.
Saint Hilda, pray for us.

Forward in Faith is a democratically-structured membership organization and a registered charity.

Forward in Faith upholds catholic order and the catholic doctrine of the sacraments, and in particular the threefold ministry in historic succession, which the Church of England shares with the Church throughout the world and across the ages.

We long for the visible unity of Christ's Church, and for communion between the Church of England and the rest of the Western Church.

Forward in Faith

- ✦ finances and supports the work of The Society
- ✦ supports parishes that have passed a Resolution under the House of Bishops' Declaration on the Ministry of Bishops and Priests
- ✦ monitors the operation of the Declaration and makes regular reports to the Independent Reviewer
- ✦ supports the Catholic Group in General Synod.