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	<u>Workshop</u>	<u>Presenters</u>	Background Information
1	On Safeguarding – including report from national survey of deacons on safeguarding	Rev Dr Barry O'Sullivan	A priest of Salford Diocese, qualified counsellor and consultant, Dr O'Sullivan has written extensively on the effects of abuse scandals on non-offending clergy (see ' <i>The Burden of Betrayal</i> '), and on the need for 'ambassadors' of safeguarding in the Church.
2	Climate Crisis – Challenges & Opportunities	Steve Burrows	As Environment Officer with Salford Diocese Steve Burrows supports transformation in keeping with Pope Francis's Laudato Si Encyclical. He delivers programmes at the Laudato Si Centre, the Flagship Centre for environmental action in the Diocese of Salford, and works with schools and communities to support learning, wellbeing and spirituality. <u>https://laudatosicentre.org.uk/</u>
3	Ecumenical Diaconate	Deacon Liz Carrington	A member of the Church of England's Network Distinctive Deacons, Deacon Liz Carrington and colleagues work to promote training and support for ordinands and deacons wherever they are situated, as the undertake their ministry often on the edges of society. <u>https://cofedeacons.org/</u>
4	New Lay Ministries	Fr Jan Nowotnick & Elliot Vanstone	Discussing the importance of <i>Antiquum Ministerium</i> and the effect of <i>Evangelii Gaudium</i> on the New Lay Ministries, Fr Jan Nowotnick, Director of Mission and Elliot Vanstone, Mission Advisor at CBCEW, look at the significance of Pope Francis' initiatives to diaconal ministry. <u>https://www.cbcew.org.uk/</u>
5	Ministry Research Project	Rev Peter McGrail & Deacon Paul Rooney	Ministry Research Project, a partnership between Archdiocese of Liverpool and Hope University, aims to improve the strategic planning and decision-making for deployment of permanent deacons, and evaluate the Pastoral Associates Pilot Project. Rev Peter McGrail, Assoc Prof and Head of Theology and Dcn Paul Rooney, Head of Geography & Environmental Science report on the work to date. https://www.hope.ac.uk/research/researchcentres/ministryresearchproject/
6	Caritas: a sign of God's Love	Raymond Friel OBE	Awarded an OBE in 2022 for services to education, Raymond Friel has worked in Catholic settings since 1990 including as National Leader of Education, Gen Sec. of Catholic Independent Schools Conference, and CEO of two multi-academy trusts. He is currently CEO of Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the agency CBCEW tackling poverty and enhancing social mission. He has written a books on education and Catholic life, including 'How to Survive in Leadership in a Catholic School' and 'Gospel Values for Catholic Schools', and more recently, 'Formation of the Heart: the why and how of being a Catholic today'. https://www.csan.org.uk/
7	Journeying Together in a Synodal Church	Deacon Adrian Cullen	As Project Lead for the Westminster Synodal Pathway, and Director of the Permanent Diaconate in Westminster Diocese, Adrian explores what 'Communion, Participation and Mission in the Synodal Pathway' means for deacons. https://www.cbcew.org.uk/synodal-church/
8	REFOCCUS – marriage enrichment for lay people and clergy	Deacon Roger Carr-Jones	Chair of Marriage Care and Marriage & Family Coordinator at Westminster Diocese, Dcn Roger presents REFOCCUS, a tool for marriage enrichment, both for lay people and and clergy, supporting married priests and deacons. <u>https://www.allianceofcatholicmarriageorganisations.org.uk/</u>

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<u>Organisation</u>	Background Information & Aims
Catholic Bishops' Conference & Bible Society https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/	To inspire all Catholics in England & Wales to engage with the Bible creatively through the ' <i>God who Speaks'</i> campaign.
CaFE Catholic Faith Exploration https://faithcafe.org/	To support parishes by bringing faith alive and growing prayerful communities using a range of Catholic resources as downloads, DVDs, books.
CAFOD Liverpool https://cafod.org.uk/Volunteer/CAFOD-in-yo ur-area/Liverpool	Official agency of the Catholic church of England and Wales for overseas development. CAFOD Liverpool and North Wales branch
CHRISM - Christians in Secular Ministry http://www.chrism.org.uk/	CHRISM is The National Association for all Christians who see their secular employment as their primary Christian ministry and for those who support that vision. The fundamental aims of CHRISM are: To help ourselves and others to celebrate the presence of God and the holiness of life in our work, and to see and tell the Christian story there.
ACN - Aid the Church in Need https://acnuk.org/	Aid to the Church in need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting Christians wherever they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need. Each year we fund over 5,000 projects in more than 140 countries around world, helping to support the Church in its mission, and bringing hope and solidarity to millions of people.
Alliance of Catholic Marriage Organisations in England & Wales (ACMO) https://www.allianceofcatholicmarriageorgan isations.org.uk/	The Alliance exists out of a shared desire to be united around our service to the Church and our commitment to offer clearer more joined up pathways of support for couples. Members: Catholic Marriage Care, Retrouvaille, Equipes Notre Dame – Teams, Marriage Encounter, Two in One Flesh.
St Helens / Liverpool Street Pastors https://streetpastors.org/locations/sthelens	To help those who are vulnerable in the night-time economy, by offering a listening ear and practical support to those in need.
Sycamore (UK) <u>https://www.sycamore.fm/</u>	Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter.
Friends of the Holy Land https://www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/	Friends of the Holy Land, is a non-political Christian Charity. Our mission is to secure a resilient and enduring Christian community in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan - the part of the world that Christians call the Holy Land
Nugent Care <u>https://wearenugent.org/</u>	We are a registered charity, caring for, educating, and protecting vulnerable children, young people and adults through our schools, care homes, and community and social work services.