

Manchester Diocese Eucharistic Assistants Registrar

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Dear Incumbent,

Eucharistic Assistants

I hope the new Guidelines for parishes putting forward new Eucharistic Assistants are working for you. When names are nominated by the incumbent and agreed by the PCC, please pass them to me and I will arrange for the letter from the Bishop to be sent. If you are nominating new people it would be very helpful if you could also include the names of the people already nominated for this ministry so that I can update my records. Please note, I do not need addresses or other details, simply the names and the date when the PCC confirmed the nominations.

Please would you also advertise the forthcoming evenings for Eucharistic Assistants, and encourage those who have this ministry in your parish to go to the Archdeaconry evenings later this autumn: the details are below and there is also a poster in the mailing to go in the church. The Archdeacons will be leading these evenings, 7.00pm for coffee with a 7.30pm start.

<u>Archdeaconry</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Manchester	Tues Nov 17 th	Emmanuel, Didsbury
Rochdale	Thurs Nov 19 th	Christchurch, Chadderton
Bolton	Tues Nov 24 th	Bolton Parish Church
Salford	Wed Nov 25 th	St. Thomas, Pendleton

If people cannot make the date for their Archdeaconry evening, they are very welcome to go to a different venue. We are asking that people do book in so we have a better idea of numbers.

Parishes in the Rochdale Archdeaconry

This year the Eucharistic Assistants in the **Rochdale Archdeaconry** have their licenses from the bishop renewed. In the mailing is a form for you to use, which is also available on the website under "Parish Resources". Please could you complete the form with the names of all those the PCC has confirmed as Eucharistic Assistants in the parish, and return it to me **by the end of October at the latest**, either by email or by post. The bishop will then send out a new letter of authorisation to the parish confirming this ministry for the next four years.

Bishop Nigel is keen to encourage and endorse this ministry and it would therefore be much appreciated if all parishes would reply to the above request no later than 1st November 2009.

Yours sincerely

Judith

