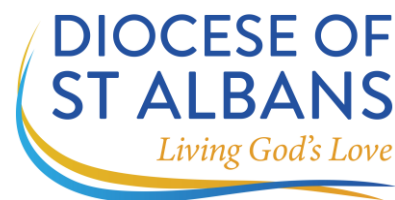


TO : All members of Diocesan Synod

[Copies to Rural/Area Deans, Lay Chairs and Secretaries of Deanery Synods who are not members of the Diocesan Synod.]



PRELIMINARY NOTICE - DIOCESAN SYNOD: Saturday 13 June 2026 – 0930 online via Zoom

I write formally, in accordance with the Diocesan Synod's Standing Order 17, to give preliminary notice of the business likely to be transacted at the next meeting of the Diocesan Synod, which is due to be held on Saturday 13 June 2026.

Please note that Synod will commence at 0930 and it is envisaged that it will end between 1230 and 1300.

Items of business are likely to include the following:-

Prayers to be led by Cheshunt Deanery

Presidential Address (by the Dean of St Albans)

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2026, Business Items and Matters Arising

Good News Stories from around the Diocese

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements

Annual Committee Reports

Annual Safeguarding Report

Church in the Middle East – a presentation from Tanas Alquassis

Single Friendly Church – a presentation from Liz Dunbar followed by group discussion

Church Revitalisation and Planting

Questions

Under Standing Order 21, any items of new business must be submitted not less than 35 days in advance of the session – i.e. **Friday 8 May 2026**, but the Standing Committee can give no guarantee that such items can be included on the agenda for this session. Questions for answer at this session must be submitted not later than 14 days in advance of the session – i.e. **Friday 29 May 2026** – unless a special dispensation has been given to accept later notice. Members submitting questions are particularly asked to make it clear to whom they are addressed.

The agenda and supporting papers for Synod will be issued on **Friday 22 May 2026**.

D White
Diocesan Secretary

1 May 2026