

**Introducing**



**College of Readers**

- Opportunities to take part in activities which include worship, prayer, study and fellowship. CoR aims to provide training and structured teaching that complements training offered by the official institutions of the Church.
- Opportunities to participate in one or more national or regional events each year, including the Annual General meeting.
- An opportunity to meet together for a few days in pilgrimage, in an atmosphere conducive to fellowship, reflection and to discuss relevant matters and draw on the experience of other Readers.

Interested?

Visit our website [www.college-of-readers.org.uk](http://www.college-of-readers.org.uk)  
Or email [mary@college-of-readers.org.uk](mailto:mary@college-of-readers.org.uk)

Still interested?

Mrs M E Snape Registrar/Treasurer,  
College of Readers,  
1 Soames Crescent,  
Stoke on Trent, ST3 5UE

**I wish to apply for membership of the College of Readers which I understand is renewed annually on 1<sup>st</sup> April and that my membership is dependent on my status as a Reader within the Anglican Communion.**

Surname .....

Christian name(s).....

Address.....

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.....Post Code .....

Telephone number.....

E mail .....

Date of Admission to Office of Reader.....

Date of next renewal of Licence by Diocesan Bishop .....

I enclose a Photostat copy of my current licence Yes / No

I am Emeritus Yes No

I have Permission to Officiate Yes No

I am a Reader in training and due to be licensed in the year 20.....  
and enclose a letter of confirmation from my Parish Priest / Priest of  
The Society / Member of the College of Readers.

**I enclose a cheque payable to the College of Readers for the year.....  
and understand that this is renewable annually on 1<sup>st</sup> April each year.**

**Parish Details**

**Parish dedication** .....  
**Parish address** .....  
.....  
**Diocese** .....

**Episcopal Care is provided by:**  
**Bishop** .....**of**.....

**The parish has:**

**Passed the Single Resolution**                      **Yes / No**  
**Registered with FiF**                                      **Yes / No**  
**Affiliated to The Society**                              **Yes / No**

**The parish priest is**.....

**I affirm the authority of scripture, the grace of the sacraments, the traditional understanding of the threefold ministry of bishop, priest and deacon and the objectives of the College of Readers.**

Do you have any objection to your name, contact details and parish being given to other members of the College of Readers **Yes / No**

Signed .....Dated.....

**Please return to:  
Mrs M E Snape  
Registrar/Treasurer  
1 Soames Crescent  
Stoke-on-Trent  
ST3 5UE**

The College of Readers is organised by a National Committee of Readers who are elected at the Annual General Meeting, together with a priest Warden (of the traditional integrity) who is elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Patron of the College is the Rt. Revd Norman Banks and the Rt. Revd Martyn Jarret is co-patron.

The College of Readers (CoR) aims to provide support and fellowship for Readers in the same way as the Society of the Holy Cross does for clergy. It is an organisation designed to complement existing arrangements for Readers at diocesan, provincial and national level.

If you can answer **YES** to the questions below, then why not consider becoming a member?

1. Are you either a Licensed Reader in one of the Provinces of the Anglican Communion within the British Isles, a Reader with permission to officiate, a Reader Emeritus or a Reader in training?
2. Do you affirm the authority of scripture, the grace of the sacraments and the **traditional** understanding of the apostolic ministry of bishops, priests and deacons?
3. Do you look for mutual support and fellowship with other Readers and opportunity for training, study and spiritual development locally, regionally and nationally?

Membership costs **£15 per annum** minimum and benefits include:

- Receipt of a quarterly periodical (Blue Scarf) with news, events, programmes and articles of theological and practical interest. Blue Scarf gives all members the opportunity to publish examples of their own work.
- Receipt of one off CoR Occasional Papers on various subjects of interest.
- Access to spiritual direction and advice from a local chaplain who is a priest of the traditionalist integrity. The local chaplain is available for confidential discussion, which may include the sacrament of confession, if required.
- Contacts with Reader members across the UK, who can offer friendly and confidential support.
- Membership of a diocesan or regional Readers' Circle where there are sufficient numbers of members.