

# READING LIST FOR THOSE EXPLORING VOCATION



The following list, while not exhaustive, does try to include a wide range of viewpoints—thus reflecting the breadth of the Church of England. The **titles in bold** are a good place to start. Most of the books are still in print and should be readily available, although you may have to order them.

If you have difficulty getting hold of particular titles, the staff at Church House Bookshop in London will almost certainly be able to help you. The website is at <http://www.chbookshop.co.uk> and you can call them on 020 7898 1300.

## ON VOCATION

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***How to Find your Vocation***

***Called or Collared***

***This is our Calling***

*On Call*

*A Touch of God*

*The Call*

*Invitations: God's Calling for Everyone*

*Live for a Change*

*The Road to Daybreak*

**John Adair (Canterbury Press, 2000)**

**Francis Dewar (new edition, SPCK, 2000)**

**Charles Richardson (SPCK, 2004)**

Stuart Buchanan (BRF, 2001)

Maria Boulding (Triangle, 1988)

Os Clarke (Spring Harvest, 2001)

Francis Dewar (SPCK, 1996)

Francis Dewar (DLT, 1988)

Henri Nouwen (DLT, 1989)

## ON ORDAINED MINISTRY

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*Being a Priest Today*

*Ministry in Three Dimensions*

*The Christian Priest Today*

*Ministry and Priesthood*

*Jobs for the Boys? Women Who Became Priests*

*Dynamic Local Ministry*

*Being a Deacon Today*

*Priesthood Here and Now*

*The Priestlike Task*

*Into Your Hands*

*Yes Minister*

*Living on the Border of the Holy: Renewing the Priesthood of All*

*Tentmaking: Perspectives on Self-Supporting Ministry*

*The Mission and Ministry of the Whole Church*

*Working for the Kingdom*

*Here I am*

*Transforming Priesthood*

*Transforming Church*

*Power*

*Local Ministry*

*The Fire and the Clay*

**Christopher Cocksworth & Rosalind Brown (Canterbury Press, 2002)**

**Steven Croft (DLT, 1999)**

**Michael Ramsey (SPCK, 1972)**

**Alastair Redfern (DLT, 1999)**

Liz & Andrew Barr (Hodder and Stoughton, 2001)

Andrew Bowden & Michael West (Continuum, 2000)

Rosalind Brown (Canterbury Press, 2005)

Michael Bowering (ed) (Newcastle Diocese, 1994)

Wesley Carr (SPCK, 1985)

Andrew Clitherow (SPCK, 2001)

Jim Cotter (Cairns, 1992)

William Countryman (Morehouse Publishing 1999)

James MM Francis and Leslie J Francis (Gracewing 1998)

CofE Faith and Order Advisory Group (Church House Publishing, 2007) - especially the chapter *Ministry in the New Testament*

John Fuller & Patrick Vaughan (eds) (SPCK, 1986)

Richard Giles (SCM Canterbury Press, 2006)

Robin Greenwood (SPCK, 1994)

Robin Greenwood (SPCK, 2001)

Robin Greenwood & Hugh Burgess (SPCK, 2005)

Robin Greenwood & Caroline Pascoe (ed) (SPCK, 2006)

George Guiver (ed) (SPCK 1993)

*Priests in a People's Church*  
*On the Boundary*  
*Order and Ministry*  
*Living Priesthood*  
*Light in the Lord*  
*An Introduction to Christian Ministry*  
*Ministry Issues for the Church of England – Mapping the Trends*  
*Chaplaincy*  
*Revelations*  
*Eccentric Ministry*  
*In the Name of Jesus*  
*The Life and Work of a Priest*  
*The Clerical Profession*  
*Love's Endeavour, Love's Expense*  
*Fare Well in Christ*

George Guiver (ed) (SPCK, 2002)  
Rod Hacking (Canterbury Press, 1990)  
Christine Hall & Robert Hannaford (ed) (Gracewing, 1996)  
Michael Hollings (McCrimmons, 1994)  
Basil Hume (St Paul's Publications, 1991)  
Gordon Kuhrt (CHP, 2000)  
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Giles Legood (Cassell, 1999)  
Mary Loudon  
Christopher Moody (DLT, 1992)  
Henri Nouwen (DLT, 1997)  
John Pritchard (SPCK, 2007)  
Anthony Russell (SPCK, 1980)  
WH Vanstone (DLT, 1978)  
WH Vanstone (DLT, 1997)

## ON LITURGY AND WORSHIP

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***Holy, Holy, Holy: Worshipping the Trinitarian God***  
***Creating Uncommon Worship***  
*Israel's Praise: Doxology Against Idolatry and Ideology*  
*Two Ways of Praying*

**Christopher Cocksworth**  
**Richard Giles (Canterbury Press, 2004)**  
Walter Brueggemann (Fortress Press, 1988)  
Paul Bradshaw (SPCK, 1995)

## ON ANGLICANISM

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*C of E: The State it's In*

*How to be an Anglican*

*Being Anglican*

*Anglicanism: A Very Short Introduction*

*The Anglican Understanding of the Church*

*A Passionate Balance: The Anglican Tradition*

*Is the Church of England Biblical?*

*Hope for the Church*

*Shapes of the Church to Come*

*Aspects of Anglican Identity*

*Unashamed Anglicanism*

*The Integrity of Anglicanism*

**Monica Furlong (Hodder and Stoughton, 2000)**

**Richard Giles (Canterbury Press, 2003)**

**Alastair Redfern (DLT, 2000)**

**Mark Chapman (OUP, 2006)**

Paul Avis (SPCK, 2000)

Alan Bartlett (DLT, 2007)

Colin Buchanan (DLT, 1998)

Bob Jackson (CHP, 2002)

Michael Nazir-Ali (Kingsway, 2001)

Colin Podmore (Church House Publishing, 2005)

Stephen Sykes (DLT, 1995)

Stephen Sykes (SPCK, 1978)

## ON SPIRITUALITY

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*Praying the Jesus Prayer Together*

**Simon Barrington-Ward and Brother Ramon (BRF, 2001)**

*Praying Through Life*

**Stephen Cottrell (CHP, 1998)**

*God of Surprises*

**Gerard Hughes (BRF, 1993)**

*Holiness*

**Donald Nicholl (DLT, 1981)**

*How I Pray*

**John Wilkins (Ed) (DLT, 1993)**

*Living on the Edge of the Holy*

William Countryman (DLT, 2001)

*Pray Your Way*

Bruce Duncan (DLT, 1993)

*A Celebration of Discipline*

Richard Foster

*Letters on Prayer*

Michael Paul Gallagher (DLT, 1994)

*God, Where Are You?*

Gerard Hughes (DLT, 1997)

*Oh God Why?*

Gerard Hughes (DLT, 2000)

*Being in Love: The Practice of Christian Prayer*

William Johnstone (Fordham University Press, 1999)

*Both Alike to Thee: The Retrieval of the Mystical Way*

Melvyn Matthew (SPCK, 2000)

*The Return of the Prodigal Son*

Henri Nouwen (DLT, 1994)

*Knowing God*

J I Packer

*The Wound of Knowledge*

Rowan Williams (DLT, 1990)

The booklets in the Grove Booklet series ([www.grovebooks.co.uk](http://www.grovebooks.co.uk)) are often good introductions to aspects of spirituality.

## ON BIBLICAL STUDIES

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***Introducing the OT***

***Introduction to Biblical Studies***

*Reading the Old Testament: method in Biblical Studies*

*Reading the OT: an introduction*

*Beginning OT Study*

*Christian Origins*

*The Gospels and Jesus*

*Paul*

**J Drane (revised ed, Lion, 2000)**

**S Moyise (Cassell, 1998)**

J Barton (DLT, 1996)

L Boadt (Paulist Press, 1984)

J. Rogerson (revised ed, SPCK, 1998)

C Rowland (SPCK, 1985)

G Stanton (OUP, 1989)

E P Sanders (OUP, 1991)

## ON CHRISTIAN FAITH AND THEOLOGY

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***Reasonable Belief***

***The Essence of Christianity***

***Christianity: An Short Introduction***

*Wounds of Christ*

*I Thirst*

*Theology: A Very Short Introduction*

*Theology: The Basics*

*On Christian Theology*

*Open to Judgement*

*Lost Icons*

**Anthony & Richard Hanson (OUP, 1981)**

**Brian Hebblethwaite (SPCK, 1996)**

**Keith Ward (SPCK, 2000)**

Christina Baxter

Stephen Cottrell

David Ford (OUP, 1999)

Alister McGrath (Blackwells, 2004)

Rowan Williams (Blackwell, 1999)

Rowan Williams (DLT, 1994)

Rowan Williams (T & T Clark, 2000)

## ON SELF-KNOWLEDGE AND PASTORAL RELATIONSHIPS

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***Knowing Me Knowing You***

**Malcolm Goldsmith & Martin Wharton (SPCK, 1993)**

***Swift to Hear***

**Michael Jacobs (SPCK, 2000)**

***Still Small Voice***

**Michael Jacobs (SPCK, 2001)**

*Rediscovering Pastoral Care*

Alastair Campbell (DLT, 1986)

*Handbook of Pastoral Studies*

Wesley Carr (SPCK, 1997)

*The Wounded Healer*

Henri Nouwen (DLT, 1994)

*Compassion*

Henri Nouwen (DLT, 1982)

*Befriending Our Desires*

Philip Sheldrake (DLT, 1997)

## ON MISSION AND EVANGELISM

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***Mission-shaped Church—Missionary Values, Church Planting  
& Fresh Expressions of Church***

**Paul Bayes (Grove Booklet Ev 67, 2004)**

***Presence and Prophecy***

**Mission Theological Advisory Group (CHP, 2002)**

***Mission-Shaped Church***

**Mission and Public Affairs (CHP, 2004)**

*Evangelism: Which Way Now?*

Mike Booker & Mark Ireland (CHP, 2003)

*What is Mission*

J Andrew Kirk (DLT, 2002)

*Journeying Out – A New Approach to Christian Mission*

Ann Morisy (Morehouse, 2004)

## ON RELIGIOUS LIFE

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***Anglican Religious Communities Year Book***

***Unveiled: Nuns Talking***

***Sing a New Song: The Christian Vocation***

*Refocusing the Vision: Religious Life into the Future*

*Searching for God*

*New Habits*

*Finding the Treasure*

*Selling All*

*Community and Growth: Our Pilgrimage Together*

**Current edition (Canterbury Press)**

**Mary Loudon (Ebury/Vintage, 1993)**

**Timothy Radcliffe, OP (Dominican Publications, 1999)**

Barbara Fiand (The Crossroad Publishing Co, 2001)

Basil Hume, OSB (Gracewing, 2002)

Isabel Losada (Hodder & Stoughton, 1999)

Sandra M. Schneiders, IHM (Paulist Press, 2000)

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Jean Vanier (DLT, 1989)

## CHURCH NEWSPAPERS

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*The Church Times*

*The Church of England Newspaper*



## NOVELS WITH THEOLOGICAL THEMES

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*Henderson the Rain King* by Saul Bellow

*The Diary of a Country Priest* by Georges Bernanos

*The Brothers Karamazov* by Fyodor Dostoyevsky

*Silence* by Shasuko Endo

*Angels and Men* by Catherine Fox

*Darkness Visible* by William Golding

*Rites of Passage* by William Golding

*The Spire* by William Golding

*The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene

*Monsignor Quixote* by Graham Greene

*Burnt-Out Case* by Graham Greene

*Narziss and Goldmund* by Hermann Hesse

*Siddhartha* by Hermann Hesse

*Glittering Images* by Susan Howatch

*Death in Holy Orders* by P D James

*Children of Men* by P D James

*Therapy* by David Lodge

*Brittle Joys* by Sara Maitland

*Black Robe* by Brian Moore

*The Statement* by Brian Moore

*The Bell* by Iris Murdoch

*A Glass of Blessings* by Barbara Pym

*Miss Garnet's Angel* by Sally Vickers

*Mr Golightly's Holiday* by Sally Vickers

*The Devil's Advocate* by Morris West

*Shoes of the Fisherman* by Morris West

*Lazarus* by Morris West

*The Clowns of God* by Morris West

*Eminence* by Morris West