

About Melanie Griffiths -Trinity Ordinand

Hi everyone,

I'm excited to be coming to do a placement at St Mary's Almondsbury. I am currently in my second and final year as a part-time student at Trinity College, Bristol. This is my second time around at Trinity as I was there as a full-time independent student in the early 90s.

I work four days a week for a Christian mission support organisation, Transform Europe Network (TEN) which is situated in the Almondsbury Business Park, close to the RAC. At the start of January I will have been there 5 years. TEN works with Christian nationals in Eastern Europe who are planting churches, sharing the gospel and responding to social need. My job is to talk to churches about TEN, develop partnerships and support our supporters!



I have lived in Bristol for ten years this September, near Westbury on Trym and previously lived in Royal Wootton Bassett, although I left shortly before it was given royal status! I am a Licensed Lay Minister at St Peter's Lawrence Weston.

My latest addition to the family is a new cat called Claude who I got from Cats Protection in September and am besotted with!

In my spare time I enjoy walking, but haven't been able to join my regular group very much this year for obvious reasons, although we have been able to do walks limited to 6 people and socially distanced.

I am excited to come to St Mary's and Severnside, as a very different context to my regular church. I look forward to getting to know you all, whether in person or virtually, depending on government and C of E guidelines in the next few months.

Every blessing for the New Year. See you soon!

Melanie