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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your application to join the Ignite Team. We are pleased to inform you that your application has progressed to the next stage: the post-application questionnaire.

A year on the Ignite Team is a unique and life-changing experience which has four main dimensions – growing in faith, working with children and young people, community life and personal development. This questionnaire gives us the chance to get to know you a bit better and also for you to reflect on what life is like on the team.

**Please return this form within 14 days.** You may find that it takes more than one sitting to complete. Pray each time you begin and please answer as honestly as you can. This is not a conventional job application so we are not trying to catch you out! We would simply like to learn more about you.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me on dys@rcdea.org.uk. You can also phone or text me on 07812004934. After reviewing your answers to this form, we will be in touch to let you know whether you have been invited to interview.

God bless,

Hamish MacQueen Director of the Diocesan Youth Service



# Diocese of East Anglia Ignite Team Member Application Form



Role Title	Ignite Team Member	
Department	Diocesan Youth Service	
Location	Remote working, including travel to various locations within Norfolk,	
	Suffolk, Cambridgeshire	and Peterborough (and occasionally
	beyond)	
This is a full-time role.		Accountable to: Ignite Team Leader and Director of Diocesan Youth Service
<ul> <li>As part of communal living, it is also expected that you will regularly attend shared meals, worship and other communal activities.</li> </ul>		<b>Commencing:</b> September and concluding the following July. If you need precise dates, please contact us.

**Benefits:** Full board and lodging will be provided including council tax and all utility bills (except personal phone bill). In addition, an allowance of £200 per month will be provided. You may also be eligible for a grant from the Catenian Association.

## Role Purpose:

This is an exciting opportunity for young people aged 18 – 35\* to be part of East Anglia's Diocesan Youth Mission Team: Ignite.

After an initial 4 - 6 weeks of training and formation, you will be working with children and young people in schools, parishes and other settings throughout East Anglia (and occasionally beyond) sharing the Gospel Message in a dynamic and relevant way. Further training and formation will be ongoing throughout the year and there will also be the opportunity to take time out for an overseas mission trip in January.

Together with other members of the team, you will be living in community for the duration of the year which includes regularly sharing prayer, meals and social time.

The Ignite Team work closely with, and are supported by, the Director of the Diocesan Youth Service and the Chaplain to the Ignite Team, who is a priest.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact the Director of the Diocesan Youth Service, tel. 01508 486236 or 07812004934. Email: <u>igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk</u>

\*This post is covered by a genuine occupational requirement under the Employment Equality Regulations (2003), relating to age and religion.

### **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

- To assist in the planning and delivery of youth evangelisation activities such as primary and secondary school retreats & missions, working in parishes and at Diocesan events such as the Ignite Festival. You will also work closely with the parttime volunteer team 'Ignite Lite,' including assisting with training and formation for the group.
- To assist in the creation of resources and materials for outreach to a variety of age groups. This may also include creating content for publication online including on social media.
- 3) To use and develop your skills, creativity and interests in the delivery of the above activities and resources. This may include giving and developing talks/presentations, drama, music, art, graphic design, audio and video production.
- 4) To engage fully in training, personal development and spiritual formation throughout the year.
- 5) To live as a community with other members of the team including praying, sharing meals and spending social time together. This also includes assisting in the running and upkeep of the team household, carrying out day-to-day domestic tasks as appropriate.
- 6) To commit to daily personal prayer and growth in relationship with Jesus Christ.
- 7) To undertake general administrative duties. This may include website maintenance, photography, promotion of events, engaging with local media, record keeping etc.
- 8) To undertake any other appropriate work delegated by the Ignite Team Leader or the Director of the Diocesan Youth Service.
- 9) To further the mission of the Diocese of East Anglia working under the authority of the Bishop.

## PERSON SPECIFICATION

- 1) To be a member of the Catholic Church, willing to fully live out your Christian faith and with a desire to share the Gospel Message with young people. *Applications will also be considered from non-Catholic Christians who are open to working with a Catholic mission team.*
- 2) To be willing to work with young people of a variety of ages between 3 and 35.
- 3) To be willing to develop and deepen your own relationship with Christ by growing in holiness and being further formed in your faith.
- 4) To be willing to use and develop whatever gifts you have at the service of our mission. This may include discovering new abilities and talents as well as rising to any new challenges you may encounter during the year.
- 5) To be willing to take opportunities in the year for personal growth and development.



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Full name:

## FAITH LIFE

Have you been baptised and confirmed?

What is it about your faith that gives you joy?

Are there any aspects of your faith you struggle with? If so, why?

Do you regularly attend Mass and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation?

Are there any particular ways of praying that you like, and if so, why?

On Ignite, you will be developing your personal relationship with Christ which will include time for personal and communal prayer. How do you feel about this?

# MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY LIFE

What are your reasons for wanting to undertake this year spent serving with Ignite?

Please list below any other talents, qualifications or experience you have which you feel would be relevant on a year with Ignite. Please also include details of any musical instruments you play (including singing) and any roles you have previously undertaken in a parish or other Church setting.

On Ignite you may be living in community with other people. This could involve spending lots of time with the same people, eating meals together, a daily timetable etc. How do you feel about this and what aspects of this way of life do you feel may be challenging for you?

# **GENERAL QUESTIONS**

Give three strengths/positive qualities you have that you feel will be useful as a member of the Ignite Team

Give two weaknesses you have that you feel may present a challenge during your year with the Ignite Team.

#### Individually, rate how you think you'd find each of the following on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the least amount of difficulty and 10 being the greatest amount of difficulty.

- \_\_\_\_ Punctuality/time-keeping
- \_\_\_\_ Resolving conflict
- \_\_\_\_ Travelling
- \_\_\_\_ Less sleep than you may be used to
- \_\_\_\_ Less free time than you may be used to
- \_\_\_\_ Sharing my faith with others
- \_\_\_\_ Self-motivation
- A different routine from one day to the next
- \_\_\_\_ Following a daily schedule set by someone else
- Living away from home
- \_\_\_\_ Living in a house with the people you work with
- \_\_\_\_ Not having the same time to date or pursue other relationships for a year
- Commitment to a daily prayer life Working with children
- \_\_\_\_ Working with teenagers
- Talking in front of large groups of people
- Ministry in schools
- \_ Ministry in parishes
- Obedience to leadership

## DECLARATION

### Statement to be Signed by the Applicant

Please complete the following declaration and sign it in the appropriate place below.

#### I confirm that all the information given by me on this form is correct and accurate and I understand that if any of the information I have provided is later found to be false or misleading, any offer of joining the Ignite Team may be withdrawn or terminated.

I also agree to my information being securely held and stored by the Diocese of East Anglia in accordance with the Diocesan Privacy Policy for a period of two years after the date of the interview, or after the end of your time serving as a member of the Ignite Team, whichever is longer.

Signed:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please email this to Hamish MacQueen, dys@rcdea.org.uk and we will be in contact soon!