

Synod Representative

The Anglican Diocese in Europe is divided into seven archdeaconries: Eastern, France, Gibraltar, Italy and Malta, Northern Europe, Northwest Europe, and Switzerland. These are overseen by fewer than seven, often full-time, Archdeacons who provide leadership, support, and administrative oversight. Acting as intermediaries between the Bishop and local chaplaincies, Archdeacons are involved in matters such as the installation of new priests and addressing regional pastoral issues.

In Switzerland, each chaplaincy appoints one or two representatives to attend Synod meetings, which are usually held twice a year—once online via Zoom and once in person. Serving as a Synod Representative offers the opportunity to feel part of a wider network and to play a more active role in Church leadership in Switzerland. It provides mutual support among church communities, encourages the exchange of ideas, and fosters greater understanding of the Church's broader governance and social concerns.

The environment is typically warm, positive, and welcoming. Synod Representatives should enjoy meeting people and have an interest in the Church's role within the Church of England community, as well as in the wider secular and global context.