

If you would like some more information or are interested in living alongside please e-mail or write to the Assistant Provincial at our main address below.

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LIVING ALONGSIDE

Experiencing life in a Religious Community



**Would you be interested in experiencing the Religious Life at a deeper level?
If so, we offer an 'Alongsiders' programme.**

There are many and varied reasons for people to live alongside. Some of you may want to take time out from your busy life, or perhaps take stock of where you are on your faith journey.

Together with attending the Offices with the Sisters, you will usually be asked to help out in the day-to-day chores; answering the telephone, vacuuming the floors, helping with the washing up or perhaps helping in the gardens (where there is always something to do!) This experience tends to be for a shorter period of maybe two or three weeks.



also available for you if you need somewhere to complete a thesis or to pursue your studies.

In the longer term, the Convent also has a place for those who are on sabbatical and who may need a bit of space and quiet to study, read or rest. This space is

For those who are considering a vocation, perhaps to the Religious Life or to some other calling, the chance to be in a place that is quiet, prayerful and where the pace of life is slower, can give you the space and time to explore where God may be calling you. There will always be opportunities to chat with a Sister about your faith journey.



In the past our Alongsiders have included:

Fellowship Members

Aspirants to the Religious Life

Overseas Students from local Universities

Someone taking a sabbatical

Someone taking a private retreat

If you are a young person considering a gap year, the Convent can allow you to acquire a different perspective on the meaning of life. Again it can be a place for reflection, for learning or just for experiencing a different way of living.

We do not expect a financial donation, only the gift of your time – in exchange we offer an insight into an alternative way of life.