



## in QEGs 2019

A lively course exploring life's big ideas and big questions, beginning in September and ending with a Confirmation service with the Bishop at the end of October.

If you were baptised (christened) when you were young, your parents made a choice for you. You became a Christian, a member of the Church, and began your Christian journey. However,

- You may feel that you would now like to make that choice for yourself.
- Perhaps you feel that you would like to understand more about the Christian faith and grow in your relationship with God.
- Maybe you would like to be able to share fully in Church services by receiving communion?
- It could be that you have reached a stage in life when you are seeking new purpose and direction?

### What is Confirmation?

In the Confirmation Service, the Bishop places his hands on your head and prays that God will confirm (strengthen) you with his Holy Spirit. He asks God to help you live your life as a Christian, now that you have decided to continue the Journey of faith.

Once confirmed, you may receive communion (the heart of Christian worship) and take your place in the church family, helping to make decisions in the church and help to make the world a better place.



### What do I have to do?

On Tuesday lunchtimes, 1.25 to 2.00 pm, everyone who is interested in being confirmed meet in room 500. The groups are relaxed and informal, we'll use films, discussions and activities to explore the ideas, and there's no exam at the end! There's also no cost: just turn up.

You can join a group, even if you are unsure about whether or not you want to be confirmed. You can make up your mind as you go along. The groups are not just about learning more about our faith but also about getting to know God and yourself. Being a Christian is first of all not about *what* you know or *who* you are but about *who* you know.

### Timetable

We meet on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept, 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, 8<sup>th</sup> Oct and 15<sup>th</sup> Oct, with the final Confirmation service up in Matlock on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm.**

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