

STORRINGTON NORBERTINE ASSOCIATES CONSTITUTIONS



Norbertine Associates of Storrington

are non-professed (ie. non-vowed) people who wish to explore and develop their response to God's call through a relationship with the professed (ie. vowed) Norbertine Community and other Associates at Our Lady of England Priory, Storrington.

Associate members' expectations of the Norbertine Community and one another:
A deepening of personal faith through prayer, theological discussion and education.

Opportunities for building community through:

- Retreats
- Pilgrimages
- Working together (practical projects)
- Involvement in issues of social justice
- Social events

The Professed Norbertine Community's expectations of Associates as a group and as individuals:

- Ongoing spiritual support
- Availability and sharing of gifts, talents and abilities
- A sharing of wisdom and advice through critical friendship

Formation and formal commitment:

- A one year period of preparation and formation in the course of which there would be basic instruction regarding the Norbertine Order, St Augustine and St Norbert.
- The expectation is that prospective members will avail themselves as far as possible of opportunities to be involved spiritually, practically and intellectually.
- Formal commitment to the Association would take place during a public liturgy on or around the Solemnity of St Norbert (6 June); this initial commitment would be followed by annual renewal.

In due time it is hoped that the Association will be run by lay members (ie. by a leadership team comprising a coordinator, secretary, treasurer) and guided by a member of the Professed Community as Spiritual Director.