This half-day course, held on site at VST, invites students to reflect upon the history and ongoing rationale regarding holy orders in the Church. We will also examine the Ordinal and other resources to consider the current mandate for ministry being articulated by the Anglican Church of Canada. We will reflect together on the various models and assumptions related to ordained ministry, as well as issues of power and authority, leadership, spirituality and self-care.

Prerequisite: Anglican MDiv students at postulant status or by special permission from the Instructor

Required Reading:
Competencies for Ordination to the Priesthood in the Anglican Church of Canada, Anglican Church of Canada website
The Ordinal as in the Book of Alternative Services and introductory article

Suggested Reading:
James Dittes, Recalling Ministry
Robin Greenwood, Transforming Priesthood (1994)
Justin Lewis-Anthony, If You Meet George Herbert on the Road, Kill Him: Radically Re-Thinking Priestly Ministry
John Macquarrie, A Guide to the Sacraments
Michael Ramsey, The Christian Priest Today
Rowan Williams, 'The Christian Priest Today': lecture on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of Ripon College, Cuddesdon, 28th May 2004