## JOIN US TODAY



Anamchara Fellowship is one of the new expressions of monasticism. Founded in the tradition of the Episcopal Church, we are an ecumenical endeavor, with a Celtic spirit. We strive to be an inclusive community, welcoming men and women, clergy and lay, married, single or partnered. Members of the Fellowship live in their own homes and are self supporting, being bound to each other by common ideals and commitment to prayer and service. Our ministry focuses on catechesis, pastoral care and spiritual direction.

We welcome as Companions those who would like to share our vocation to the new monasticism but who prefer not to become full members of the Fellowship. If you feel so called, please contact us. **Those bound together in prayer are never very far apart.**  Are you interested in prayer?

Does Celtic Spirituality speak to your heart?

Do you have a desire to share in the life of a monastic community?

Then please consider becoming a Companion of

**Anamchara Fellowship.** 

Contact the Community at the address below, for an application.



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## **ANAMCHARA FELLOWSHIP**

# Companions of Anamchara Fellowship





# **BECOMING A COMPANION TO ANAMCHARA FELLOWSHIP**

The Companions of Anamchara Fellowship are men and women, lay or ordained who desire to connect themselves with the Sisters and Brothers of Anamchara Fellowship, but do not feel called to the vowed life of a Religious. They work for the advancement of their own spiritual lives, and to further their own interests and those of Anamchara Fellowship in general.

Companions will be external members of the Fellowship, with voice but no vote concerning the governance of the Community, and they will be an integral part of the prayer life of the Brothers, Sisters and other Companions.

It is to be expected that the Companions will seek to grow in the charisms of generosity, hospitality, compassion and love, and in Christ's own spirit of prayer and devotion, upholding the virtues of Simplicity, Fidelity and Obedience.

The purpose of the Companions is to be a supportive body spiritually and (as they are able) financially to the Fellowship. They are to promote the Fellowship to the wider Church and to promote the Religious Life in its various manifestations. As they are able, Companions will work alongside members of the Fellowship in their ministries, as well as service activities supported by the Fellowship.

### <u>Rule</u>

Companions are expected to:

1. Say prayers of the Daily Office, using the <u>Celtic Daily Prayer</u> book, at least once a day.

2. Say Grace before meals.

3. Pray daily for all members of the Fellowship and Companions.

4. Attend the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on as many Sundays and principal feast days as possible, or attend services of their tradition.

5. Make a commitment to serve in their parish as they are able.

6. Read some portion of the Holy Scriptures daily.

7. Make financial contributions to the Fellowship as they are able.

8. Write an annual letter to the Fellowship directed to the Companion Anamchara.

9. Attend Priory meetings for common worship, study and play, if possible.

10. At the time of death of a Companion, or upon a Companion's resignation, the medallion should be returned to the Companion Anamchara or the Abbot/ Abbess. The exception would be if the Companion desires to be buried with the medallion.

#### **Privileges**

Companions will be remembered in prayer by all the brothers and sisters in their daily devotions.

The members of the Fellowship, are always available for prayers or concerns. Companions are encouraged to contact the Brothers and Sisters, individually or collectively, whenever they desire.

Companions will also have full access to share prayers and conversation with the Fellowship via the social media.

Companions may request intercessions for themselves, for others, and for their concerns. These will be given a place in the Fellowship's prayer of intercession.



Companion Anamchara Sister Patricia Sarah