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- Experience in chaplaincy is desirable
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For an application pack or to arrange an information chat with National Director, Capt. Paul Quinn, please contact Alice Robinson, on 020 7012 8601 or at [alicerobinson@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](mailto:alicerobinson@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

You can also visit the website at [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

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