

Messy Church – Learning from one another

Dear Deanery Synod members

You will have seen the recent agenda for our Deanery Synod meeting in February. The main item is a discussion around **Messy Church**.

We hope that, at Synod, we will focus on issues and opportunities that are important to our MAP's and our weekly ministry and mission within the deanery. We hope that the Messy Church discussion will be of real value in this way.

Many of the parishes in the deanery are hosting Messy Church in various forms and some have found it a very helpful and influential tool for building community and for outreach to families.

Jenny Dziegiel has done extensive research into the phenomenon of Messy Church in the UK and will give a short presentation of her findings. We hope we will then have time to share with one another the lessons we are learning from this ministry on our own parishes.

If you have people who are experienced in hosting messy Church in your parishes please do bring them along to contribute to this session. I am sure there is much we can all learn from each other. Perhaps we should limit this to one per parish so we can accommodate everyone.

With best wishes

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