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Rule of Life Workshops

This Lent, there will be more Rule of Life workshops designed to help people develop their own rules of life. They will be held across the deaneries and at Wolvesey and Old Alresford Place, starting on 28 February and running until 12 April. A separate Lent course will not be offered.

The first workshops are:

Tuesday, 28 February, 2.30-5pm, St Paul's Church Centre, Andover.

Wednesday, 1 March, 10am-12.30pm, Wolvesey.

Monday, 13 March, 7.30-9.30pm, All Hallows Church, Whitchurch.

Tuesday, 14 March, 2-4.30pm, St Leonard's Church, Oakley, Basingstoke.

Wednesday, 15 March, 2-4.30pm, St Mark's Church, Ampfield.

Thursday, 16 March, 2-4.30pm, St Luke's Church, Hedge End.

Saturday, 18 March, 10am-12.30pm, Old Alresford Place.

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For details of workshops, visit www.winchester.anglican.org/about-us/strategic-priorities/rule-of-life/

To book, email ruleoflife@winchester.anglican.org

Thy Kingdom Come 2017

Following the success of last year's Thy Kingdom Come wave of prayer, Rev'd Mark Collinson, Canon Principal, will be coordinating this year's activities. Sarah Lloyd is leading the Novena (nine days of prayer) and Bishop David the Beacon Cathedral event.



THY KINGDOM COME

There will be a **Creative Prayer Ecumenical Workshop** with a focus on Thy Kingdom Come on **Wednesday, 15 February,**

9.30am- 4.15pm including lunch

Wessex Learning Centre, Winchester Cathedral.

Topics will include multi-sensory prayer; centering prayer; exploring prayer in our older years; prayer and children, families and young people; global partners in prayer; community prayer and much more.

To book a place email Sarah Lloyd: sarah@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk.

Full information is available on <http://www.thykingdomcomeprayer.co.uk>.

If you would like to get involved in the Novena of Prayer, Tent on the Green, Beacon Event or period of Mission Action, or you simply want to find out more, please go to: <http://www.winchester.anglican.org/about-us/thy-kingdom-come>

Bishop of Winchester's Christmas Appeal in aid of the British Red Cross

Before Christmas Bishop Tim Dakin asked everyone in the Diocese to give what they can to the British Red Cross.

It is now more than a year since the first refugee family moved into Hampshire, and more families have begun to arrive and live within our Diocesan community since then. Bishop Tim has been keeping in touch with Hampshire County Council, who are supporting refugees now living within our Diocese. This work is being assisted by the British Red Cross, which is providing a range of different services including legal and language supports, in addition to practical support in the form of food and clothing where needed. The Bishop's Christmas appeal is still open and aims to raise funds to support this vital work.

If your parish has been collecting for the appeal or you would like to, the easiest way to donate is via the JustGiving page: www.justgiving.com/winchesterchristmas. Any money donated via this page will go directly to support the British Red Cross's work supporting refugees in our Diocese and can have Gift Aid added to them. Whilst we can collect cheques centrally through the Diocesan office, please note that we will not be able to facilitate Gift Aid if you decide to donate in this way, and it is more administratively straightforward for the British Red Cross if donations are made directly through the JustGiving page. If your parish would prefer to donate by cheque, send a cheque, made out to Winchester DBF, and post to: The Finance Department, Diocesan Office, Old Alresford Place, Alresford, SO24 9DH. Alternatively you can make a BACS payment directly to the WDBF, sort code: 55-81-26; account number 00342564, sending an e-mail to inform the finance team this has been done via the dedicated e-mail address: banktransfers@winchester.anglican.org.

Bishop's Commission for Mission (BCM)

Bishop's Commission for Mission (BCM) is running two new programmes for lay people. These are aimed at those wanting input to their existing ministry or to a developing vocational path and not necessarily wanting a formal qualification.

BCM for Pastoral Missioners: led by Phil Dykes, Evangelism, Church Growth and Fresh Expressions Adviser.

This is for those with a pastoral heart. The training will cover a foundational understanding of the missional context we are in, the core skills required for pastoral work in the church/community, as well as input from passionate personal practitioners on specialist areas, in this case growing older, coping with dementia and talking to people about their faith. You will learn from others who are pastoral in different contexts and also through other tasks such as visiting another church between sessions and reflecting on how good a listener you are.

SESSIONS	DATES	TIMINGS	VENUE
3 sessions giving a foundational overview	Saturday, 21 Jan 2017	10am-4pm (to include sandwich lunch)	Wolvesey, Winchester, SO23 9ND
6 Tuesday evening sessions	31 January, 7 and 28 Feb, 7, 14 and 28 March	7.15-9.15pm	St Leonard's Church, Oakley, RG23 7EG
2 concluding sessions	Saturday, 1 April	9.30am-12pm	Wolvesey, Winchester, SO23 9ND

BCM for Lay Worship Leaders: led by Andy Saunders, Children and Families Adviser.

This is for those who have a desire to lead God's people into God's presence. The training will cover a foundational understanding of the missional context we are in, the core skills required to lead worship in your church/community, as well as input from passionate personal practitioners on specialist areas, in this case leading intergenerational worship and leading worship that is not in a church building. You will learn from others who are leading worship in different contexts and you will undertake other tasks, such as visiting other churches, between sessions.

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5 evening sessions	Wed, 1 and 8 February Tuesday, 28 February Wed, 8 and 22 March	7.15-9.15 pm	All Saints Church, North Baddesley SO52 9EQ
2 concluding sessions	Saturday, 1 April	9.30am-12pm	Wolvesey, Winchester, SO23 9ND

To talk through in more detail what participating in these programmes might involve, please contact Phil Dykes phil.dykes@winchester.anglican.org or on 01962 710973, or 07884 268968.

For an application form or further details, please contact Frances Ter Haar (frances.terhaar@winchester.anglican.org).

Bishop of Winchester's Lent Lectures – Church Growth: Why it Matters and How it can Happen.

Tuesday, 21 March, Christ Church, Winchester.

9.30am coffee and registration, 10am start.

By David Goodhew, Director of Ministerial Practice at Cranmer Hall.

How do we grow as Christians and as churches? 'Growth' in the Christian life always includes growth in personal Christlikeness and growth of service to the wider community, but the New Testament, the Christian tradition and the Anglican Communion outside the UK are deeply enthusiastic about the numerical growth of churches. So how can we think about growing churches in a godly, theologically nuanced way? And if we can create a theology of church growth, what specific practices help congregations grow? Or is church growth a holy mystery? The two Lent Lectures will examine a theology of church growth that could work for churches of all traditions and the actions that foster growing churches.

Prior to his current post at Cranmer Hall, David Goodhew was vicar of two parishes in York. He oversees the Centre for Church Growth Research and has edited several publications on church growth.

To book, visit <https://winchesterlentlectures.eventbrite.co.uk>

Ewe Matter

Is there a sheep heading for your classroom? Has your school signed up for 'Ewe Matter'?



Ewe Matter is reminiscent of Marwell's 'Zany Zebras', the 'Cow Parades' and Bristol's 'Shaun the Sheep'. It is a project aimed primarily at church schools which are being encouraged to buy a fibreglass sheep for pupils to decorate. These sheep can be used in worship and lessons, both in RE and in the wider curriculum, and next summer the schools will bring their decorated sheep to the leavers' services. We invite all schools to buy one (or several) of the sheep at a cost of £181.32 including VAT and delivery direct to school.

Churches can buy one too. Anyone interested should contact Julie Stirling, Julie.stirling@portsmouth.anglican.org or 02392 899680.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan, Parish and Community Events are available to view on the Events Calendar:

<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/training-events/events/>

Featured Parish Event

St Saviour's Church, Bournemouth, will welcome Alison Adams from the Alzheimer's Society to the Carers' Café to talk about the charity's work on **20 January, 10am-12pm**.

The Carers' Café takes place on the third Friday of every month. It is an opportunity for anyone who is caring for someone to meet up with others in a similar situation. It's a safe place for a little bit of time out, meeting and swapping tips with other carers, gaining support and friendship, and accessing information and advice.

Further details are available from Julie Melvin in the church office 01202 430078, office@stsaviours.net

Courses and Special Days

Below is a list of courses and special days, in date order, run by organisations in and near the Diocese.

Ministering to Children

A new course, conceived and run in partnership with the Diocese, to support children's workers and open to anyone currently working in, or intending to become involved with, children's ministry in either a paid or voluntary capacity.

The first three sessions have already taken place but you can join the final two sessions:

Saturday, 25 February: Planning sessions, accommodating special needs, telling stories;

Saturday, 25 March: Vision and strategy.

10am-3pm with optional 2-3pm session for NCFE accreditation.

Moorlands College, Sopley, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 7AT.

£25 per session.

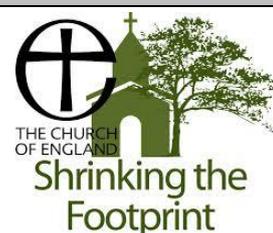
Ministering to Children is taught by Andy Saunders, Children and Family Adviser for the Diocese, alongside Moorlands College lecturers Sharon Prior and Colin Bennett.

To book or to find out more, visit <http://www.moorlands.ac.uk/events/ministering-to-children/>

Tools for Transformation

Help your church engage with environmental issues. A series of evening events (**7.30-9.30pm**) has been scheduled across the Diocese to help churches explore the new Eco Church scheme and the Big Church Switch whereby churches switch to renewable energy.

Discover more about Eco Church and the Big Switch, plus gain some insight on the Biblical basis of caring for God's creation and lots more. Speakers will include Dr Ruth Valerio, Churches and Theology Director for A Rocha UK, and representatives from Christian Aid or Tearfund. The evenings will be offered ecumenically to cover as many denominations as possible.



Date	Area	Venue
Thursday, 19 January	Southampton	Christ Church, Portswood, Highfield Lane.
Thursday, 2 February	Bournemouth	St Swithun's, Gervis Road, Bournemouth.
Thursday, 9 February	Andover	St Thomas, Enham Lane, Charlton.
Monday, 13 February	Winchester	Christ Church, Christchurch Road, Winchester.

To attend, contact Rev'd Gordon Randall, Stewardship Adviser for the Diocese, on 01962 737323 or gordon.randall@winchester.anglican.org

Please also let Gordon know if your church is using a renewable energy supplier so that the information can be passed on to the Shrinking the Footprint team.

Modern Slavery Awareness and Action Day

Saturday, 21 January.

Portsmouth Cathedral.

9.45am-3.15pm.

Day aimed at clergy, safeguarding leads, other faith groups, affiliated organisations and anyone interested/ involved in partnership work, helping identify modern slavery and supporting victims of trafficking. For further details visit

<http://portsmouthcathedral.org.uk/tag/modern-slavery/>

Youth Work Lunch with Jimmy Dale, National Adviser on Youth Evangelism

Monday, 30 January.

12-2pm.

Wolvesey.

Jimmy Dale, the new C of E National Adviser on Youth Evangelism, is coming for lunch at Wolvesey on 30 January. If you're involved in ministering to young people and care about evangelism he'd love to meet you over lunch, hear about what you're up to and share a bit of the national church's vision for engaging with young people through evangelism.

If you'd like to join us, please RSVP to Lynda Mumford (lynda.mumford@winchester.anglican.org) by 23 January. Please include any dietary requirements.

Eco Church Green Communion

Sunday, 5 February

A Rocha UK's hugely popular Eco Church award scheme is celebrating its first birthday. To mark the occasion A Rocha is inviting churches across England and Wales to hold a 'Green Communion' as part of their worship services on Sunday, 5 February.

To take part in the 'Green Communion' celebration your church should use a green communion cloth or frontal on the communion table/altar on 5 February. By using this colour cloth, your church can join with other churches across the diocese and other denominations in a deeply meaningful and symbolic act that affirms the commitment of each to care for creation.

Please view <http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/introducing-green-communion/> for a specially commissioned order of service, written by the Precentor of Canterbury Cathedral, Matthew Rushton, and with a foreword by the Bishop of Dover, Bishop Trevor Willmott. This features liturgies, Bible verses and prayers that you can either use in its entirety or select from and adapt as you see fit.

<http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/introducing-green-communion/>

Reaching Millennials

Saturday, 25 February.

10am-4pm.

SML Church Centre, Kingston Road, Poole.

Free.

A day to examine how the church can engage more effectively with Millennials. Keynote talk by Bob and Mary Hopkins (Anglican Church Planting Initiative).

To book, visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/reaching-millennials-tickets-30167339324>

Day of Reflection

Saturday, 18 March.

10.30am-3.30pm.

St Paul's Church, Winchester.

£10.

An opportunity to spend time in stillness and quiet, with talks and times for personal reflection, led by Beth Parfitt of the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM).

Places are limited. To book, email Kathleen Freeman: klvfreeman@aol.com or call 07951 897570.

Youth, Children and Families Coffee Hubs

Andy Saunders, the Diocesan Children and Families Adviser, and Sarah Long, the Diocesan Youth Adviser, are holding a series of Coffee Hubs across the Diocese for current youth, children and families workers, curates, clergy and anyone else interested. Come for coffee and chat.

Each drop-in will take place between 10am and noon as follows:

- Wednesday, 29 March – Trago Lounge, Portswood, Southampton.
- Thursday, 30 March – Starbucks, Festival Place, Basingstoke.
- Thursday, 27 April – Costa Coffee, Lyndhurst.
- Thursday, 4 May – YMCA Coffee Shop, Winchester.
- Thursday, 11 May – Caffè Nero, Andover.
- Thursday, 25 May – St John's Coffee Shop, Hartley Whitney.
- Thursday, 8 June – Costa Coffee, Mallard Park, Bournemouth.

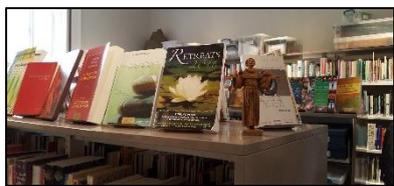
Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union Spring Council will take place on 16 March 10am-2pm.

All Hallows' Church Hall, Church Street, Whitchurch, RG28 7AS.

All members, friends and family welcome. Further details from Sue Murphy, Diocesan secretary/treasurer: 07514 024157 or treasurer@muwinchester.org.uk

Resources



The Diocesan Resource Room is in the new Education Centre in the Cathedral Close, Winchester.

Opening hours: Monday and Thursday 9.30am-4pm.

Please contact William Cole on william.cole@winchester.anglican.org or 01962 857262 or visit www.winchester.anglican.org/resources/resources-room

Visit the **Diocesan Website Resource Library** for parish finance, administrative and support resources:

<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/resources/>

ROOTS worship and learning resources for churches is online with lots of ideas for services. Click [here](#) to find out more.

Parish Buying

Parish Buying is a professionally managed procurement service set up and run by the Church of England to help parishes and church schools in their buying, allowing parishes to buy with confidence, as well as saving time and money which can be used instead for mission and ministry. Parish Buying can also run a Contract Review Analysis for multiple schools at a diocesan level, and manage any tenders that schools need to run.

For more information, call 0800 368 0887, email info@parishbuying.org.uk or visit www.parishbuying.org.uk

Holocaust Memorial Day

Every year the Holocaust and other genocides are commemorated on 27 January and the support of churches is warmly welcomed. In the simplest way this could involve displaying themed posters and booklets. The theme for 2017 is 'How can life go on?'. To order a free activity pack, visit

www.hmd.org.uk.



ExploreChurches

The National Churches Trust has launched ExploreChurches – a new website which makes it easy to discover the UK's most beautiful and fascinating churches: www.nationalchurchestrust.org/explore-churches

Starting with an initial selection of 1,200 churches, users of the ExploreChurches website can search for churches based on location or by a particular feature such as stained glass or monuments.

Individual churches are invited to include their own church by completing a short form and attaching photographs:

<http://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/explore-churches/get-involved-churches>

English Churches and Cathedrals Sustainability Review

The English Churches and Cathedrals Sustainability Review was set up by the Government last year to examine how to get churches and cathedrals on a more sustainable footing, preserving this heritage for future generations. Now the review needs input through a call for evidence.

The call for evidence is an opportunity for people to make their views known, whether as members of the public, worshippers or 'professionals', and the Church of England is hoping for a large response with respondents saying what they think would really help churches. The consultation ends on **31 January at noon**.

The consultation and terms of reference of the review can be found at:

www.gov.uk/government/consultations/english-churches-and-cathedrals-sustainability-review

Winchester Cathedral

The Very Rev Catherine Ogle will be installed as the Dean of Winchester on **Saturday, 11 February, at 3pm**. All members of the Community Roll who applied for the ballot will be sent two tickets. Others who still want to apply may do so until the end of January. Contact Richard Pratt in the Liturgy and Music Office, Richard.Pratt@winchester-cathedral.org.uk. Any spare tickets will be available on the door.

The Winchester Cathedral Newsletter is available at:

www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Deans-Newsletter-Jan-2017.pdf

Winchester Cathedral is open for visits and worship every day with occasional necessary closure. For information, visit

www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk or call 01962 857200.

Free entry to the cathedral with a parish pass

Parish passes, allowing free entry to Winchester Cathedral, are available to anyone worshipping in a parish within the Diocese. Parish administrators, church wardens or other church officers may contact the cathedral office to ask for a number of passes for their churches. Email cathedral.office@winchester-cathedral.org.uk or call 01962 857200.

Prayer

Prayers at Wolvesey.

Every Monday in school term-time, 1-1.30pm in the Chapel at Wolvesey.

Come and pray for the mission of God in the Diocese of Winchester.

All welcome.

The Diocesan prayer cycle is available on the Diocesan website: <http://www.winchester.anglican.org/prayer/prayer-cycle/>

Spiritual Direction

For information on finding a spiritual director contact either the Diocesan Spirituality Adviser, Rev'd Sally Dakin:

01962 854050, sally.dakin@winchester.anglican.org or Sarah Salisbury, winchestersdnetwork@gmail.com

Quiet Days

Anyone interested in organising a Quiet Day (or morning or evening) for their church, benefice or local branch of Churches Together can contact Rev'd Sally Dakin, Diocesan Spirituality Adviser, for a list of possible leaders and venues across the Diocese. Call 01962 854050 or email sally.dakin@winchester.anglican.org

Vacancies and Clergy Movements

We advertise Clergy and administrative vacancies in our parishes, opportunities at the Diocesan Office, roles in school, Social Enterprise and some external organisations. To find out what roles are available visit:

<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/current-vacancies/>

For details of clergy movements, visit

<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/current-vacancies/clergy-movements/>

Live the Mission

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<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/resources/communications-resources/eneewsandnewsletter/>



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