

Workshops - Clergy Gathering 2022

Tuesday 17 May

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From 3.30pm

All those new to the diocese are invited to join Bishops Mark, Julie and Sam together with Archdeacon Mike and George Colville in the Vinery for a chat over tea and cake.

Workshop leader	2pm	4pm	About	Venue
Bishop Mark	An extended Q & A			Derbyshire Hall
Bishop Julie	An extended Q & A			Meeting Room 3
The Revd Mike Loach and the Revd Dr Joe Kennedy	<p>Road to net zero carbon</p> <p>This session will look at the Eco Church award system, the goal of "net zero carbon" and how we might achieve it, and some examples of environmentalism from around our parishes. Time permitting this will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attaining Eco-Church Bronze Award• Heating your church• Going for gold		<p>Mike is the Vicar of Christ Church, Higher Bebington and Priest-in-Charge at St Paul and St Luke's, Tranmere. He has a long history of environmental campaigning. Recent work has involved coordinating tree planting schemes and organising eco events, particularly around COP26. Mike chairs the Unilever Ethics Committee, often focussing on sustainability pledges and outcomes.</p> <p>Joe is Rector of St Saviour's, Oxtun. His commitment to Christian environmentalism was sparked by undergraduate study</p>	Meeting Room 7

			<p>of Ecotheology. He is currently coordinating work to resource churches to make sustainable choices as they renew their heating systems and is working to help deanery synods reflect theologically on the environmental crisis.</p> <p>Together Mike and Joe co-chair the Diocesan Environment Forum.</p>	
Sam and Sara Hargreaves	<p>Eco and outdoor worship</p> <p>What would it look like to take our engagement with God outside the walls of our buildings? To be inspired by the changing seasons, natural processes, and help all ages re-connect with the Creator? As well as exploring this, Sara & Sam will also share resources for engaging with the natural world while indoors - songs, prayers and acts of worship which relate to the planet, our misuse of it and God's plans for re-creation. They will draw on their experience running Park Church for the past five years and demonstrate ideas from Engage Worship and the Doxecology project.</p>	<p>Refreshing the seasons in worship</p> <p>The seasons of the church year offer rich opportunities, but it is easy to get in a rut. Sara & Sam, Timo & Gemma will share ideas for Lent, Eastertide, Harvest and Advent. These will include prayers, songs, visuals, all-age and contemplative ideas, and more. These are adaptable to different kinds of congregations, and cover a range of liturgical functions including praise, confession, lament, reflection and response. They will draw from their popular books including <i>Worship in the Wilderness</i>, <i>Harvest Worship</i> and <i>Resurrection People</i>.</p>	<p>Sara and Sam Hargreaves and Gemma and Timo Scharnowski lead Engage Worship. This ministry provides local churches with training and resources for innovative, world-changing worship. They love to explore a broad range of worship styles and Christian spiritualities, combining them creatively and making them accessible to congregations with limited resources. Their website contains hundreds of free worship ideas, and they have written books such as <i>Whole Life Worship</i> and <i>How Would Jesus Lead Worship</i>. They have all trained at London School of Theology.</p>	Chapel

Revd Dr Christian Selvaratnam	<p>Why church planting?</p> <p>In the last decade, church planting has developed from being a small area of activity into a strategic aspect of mission for every church. Why should we be rediscovering this ancient practice and what does it mean for us today? This workshop will explore some of the biblical, theological, practical and historical reasons for church planting in your parish and diocese.</p>	<p>How to start church planting</p> <p>The Church of England has recently affirmed the goal to start 10,000 new Christian communities in the next decade and the vision for a parish system revitalised for mission. How might we make a start on engaging with these bold aims and what does it mean for our parishes and diocese to fully embrace this vision?</p>	<p>The Revd Dr Christian Selvaratnam is the founder and Dean of the Centre for Church Planting and the Church Planting Track at St Hild College. Prior to this, he worked for fifteen years at Alpha UK in various roles, including National Director, and concurrently for fourteen years as the Ordained Leader of G2, an Anglican church plant in York.</p>	Meeting Room 2
Helen Ellis and Cath Downs	<p>Making a Difference with toddler groups</p> <p>This session won't tell you how to set up and run a group, but Helen and Cath will be around to advise on this after both sessions.</p> <p>They will be looking at the importance of having groups in church, both for the parent and child at that time and for the future growth of the church.</p> <p>Did you know there are around 1277 days between birth and a child starting pre-school / nursery the September after they are 3,</p>	<p>Making a Difference with toddler groups</p> <p>This session won't tell you how to set up and run a group, but Helen and Cath will be around to advise on this after both sessions.</p> <p>They will be looking at the importance of having groups in church, both for the parent and child at that time and for the future growth of the church.</p> <p>Did you know there are around 1277 days between birth and a child starting pre-school / nursery the September after they are 3,</p>	<p>Cath Downs is the children's worker at Norbury Church Hazel Grove Stockport. She has been in this role nearly 16 years, and has been running the toddler groups at Norbury for around 20. She is passionate about the importance of Toddler groups to both to the church and community, but also to the parent / carer and child.</p> <p>Never more has this importance been clearer than during the last 2 years when so many groups closed, never to reopen.</p> <p>Helen Ellis recently retired from her role as Families Worker at All Saints, Hoole, Chester after</p>	Tissington Room

	<p>this means that we have 1277 days to make a difference.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>this means that we have 1277 days to make a difference.</p>	<p>running a variety of toddler and baby groups since 2002. Since living and working on community at Lee Abbey in Devon, her passion has always been building community in whatever way she can, in a society that has become increasingly physically disconnected.</p>	
Chemin Neuf	<p>Chemin Neuf Community Life Meet members of the Chemin Neuf and learn about their community life experiences. They will give a presentation about the Chemin Neuf Community, together with presentations of four models of unity, as well as a testimony of an Anglican couple and a Catholic consecrated sister.</p>			Derwent Room
Capt James Wilkinson	<p>Using art in prayer A reflective time with space to explore how we might experience God through art and image. This session is interactive on a really low level with time for voluntary sharing.</p>		<p>James is a Church Army officer and says to find the place to pray in the traditional quiet space amidst a busy household, lifestyle and mind sometimes becomes impossible. He says he's always loved being creative and has found that through this he has been able work out, draw closer, ponder, wrestle, worship and pray. He says: "Reflecting on the different seasons in my life when quietness is far from near, I have found a different way to find a</p>	Main Conference Hall

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Revd Jane Beaumont and Bishop Graham Dow	<p>Healing the Land</p> <p>Healing the land is often an underestimated ministry. However, it is of critical importance, and its absence is sometimes an underlying reason that hinders church growth. We will be discussing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the Bible says about healing the land • How to discern problems in your church or church buildings • What help we can offer <p>There will be a mixture of teaching and group discussions.</p>	<p>"My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me." John 10:27</p> <p>Imagine some or all of your church congregation being able to discern the voice of God for themselves. It would transform their life and make evangelism and mission exciting!</p> <p>Jane will consider from a biblical perspective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How God speaks • How to discern His voice • Offer video training material for those keen to learn 	<p>The Revd Jane Beaumont says healing has been a central part of her Ordained ministry, that and discipleship and equipping people to hear the sweet voice of God. Recently retired she says she looks forward to seeing where the Lord is going to lead her: "I hope it will be to people and places that need healing or to those who want to grow in these ministries."</p> <p>Bishop Graham Dow and Rev Jane Beaumont have collectively decades of experience and have witnessed some remarkable healings and deliverances which have led to spiritual growth.</p>	Meeting Room 8
The Revd Ken Owen	<p>Football</p> <p>Please bring kit – including trainers – indoor use – no studs but lots of energy & enthusiasm!</p>		Ken is the vicar of Frankby with Greasby parish. He is a keen football fan - loyal supporter of Everton since the 1960s and he also enjoys playing, which he has done all of his life. He says: "The highlight of all my many previous 'Swanwick Conferences' has been the games of footie we have had	Sports hall

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The Ven Ian Bishop	Golf	Tee time 2pm, Shirland Golf Club		
The Revd Vicky Barrett	<p>Reflective Ramble to Riddings (3 miles)</p> <p>The group will leave from Swanwick to walk over nearby fields out to the neighbouring village of Riddings and loop back again.</p> <p>Vicky says: "The idea is not to see how many miles we can walk so much as to take time to absorb the landscape, to pause and observe our surroundings carefully. You may find your camera or sketch book are helpful companions. We hope to adventure together with God – there will be opportunities to see where he leads us in prayer.</p> <p>A longer (7 mile) circular walk taking in Golden Valley and Codnor Park is available for those who want to stride out further.</p>		Vicky is Vicar of All Saints', Thornton Hough on the Wirral. She loves running, walking, reading and writing poetry, watching wildlife at home and abroad, music, wine, real ale and conversation.	Meet in reception

	The paths can be quite muddy if it has been raining; trainers or walking boots with good grip are recommended. There are some gentle inclines.			
Dr Simon Clift MFOM	<p>Promoting clergy wellbeing & resilience. Maximum no 25</p> <p>Given the past 2 years of the COVID pandemic, the challenges facing the Church of England as a whole as well as the pressures we feel within our own ministries, not to mention the impact of wider global matters which threaten to overwhelm us, how do we begin to address our own personal wellbeing and individual resilience?</p> <p>Simon says: "Come ready to share your own experiences – both your struggles and insights in this area. For my part I promise <u>not</u> to come up with trite off-the-shelf solutions.</p> <p>"As a starter for 10 I am keen to develop the idea of stewardship of the body drawing on my recent reading of Pope John Paul II's work on Theology of the Body and a new book I have just</p>	<p>Promoting clergy wellbeing & resilience. Maximum no 25</p> <p>Given the past 2 years of the COVID pandemic, the challenges facing the Church of England as a whole as well as the pressures we feel within our own ministries, not to mention the impact of wider global matters which threaten to overwhelm us, how do we begin to address our own personal wellbeing and individual resilience?</p> <p>Simon says: "Come ready to share your own experiences – both your struggles and insights in this area. For my part I promise <u>not</u> to come up with trite off-the-shelf solutions.</p> <p>"As a starter for 10 I am keen to develop the idea of stewardship of the body drawing on my recent reading of Pope John Paul II's work on Theology of the Body and a new book I have just</p>	<p>Simon has been married to Esther for 30 years and has 3 grown up children and is based in Southampton. He is a Consultant in Occupational Medicine in the UK with a particular expertise and experience in providing such services to Clergy and other Church Ministers. Simon has 20 years' experience providing specialist occupational & travel health services to missionaries, church leaders and aid workers, working for InterHealth until its closure in 2017 and now under the auspices of a new organisation, Thrive Worldwide.</p> <p>Prior to this, Simon lived with his family in Tanzania as mission partners with Crosslinks, an Anglican mission agency (1996 – 2002). He is an active member of his local Anglican church and is a lay member for the Diocese of Winchester on the General Synod of the Church of England</p>	Dove Room

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Rich Barton	Jesus was a schools worker	Jesus was a schools worker	Rich is the manager of 'Faith in Schools' a Christian	Meeting Room 2

	<p>The case for reaching the 95% of children and young people in the UK who we cannot expect to see in church.</p> <p>An exploration of how Jesus used the education system of his time to proclaim the good news, its application to our 21st Century social and cultural context, and the opportunities to make the Church relevant to Gen Z</p>	<p>The case for reaching the 95% of children and young people in the UK who we cannot expect to see in church.</p> <p>An exploration of how Jesus used the education system of his time to proclaim the good news, its application to our 21st Century social and cultural context, and the opportunities to make the Church relevant to Gen Z</p>	<p>schools work charity that mobilises churches of all denominations to go into the classroom to share their faith. We work regularly with tens of thousands of children and young people of all faiths and none in Newham borough, East London. Our national project 'Sharing Faith in Schools' resources and trains churches across Southern England to launch their own projects in schools, to go out to reach a generation of children and youth that are not coming in.</p>	
Jonny Masters	<p>Growing Faith beyond entertaining: Ministering with 11-18s</p> <p>If you're wondering how to start or develop ministry with 11 – 18s so that it engages young people in a way that goes beyond entertainment, this workshop is for you. We will be thinking about how faith is formed, and how you can provide opportunities for 11 – 18s to encounter Christ.</p>	<p>Growing Faith beyond entertaining: Ministering with 11-18s</p> <p>If you're wondering how to start or develop ministry with 11 – 18s so that it engages young people in a way that goes beyond entertainment, this workshop is for you. We will be thinking about how faith is formed, and how you can provide opportunities for 11 – 18s to encounter Christ.</p>	<p>Jonny Masters is the Youth, Children and Families' Adviser in the Diocese of Chester. Before he began working in the diocese in 2017 he was Youth Leader at Christ Church Alsager where he ran various youth groups, mentored in the local high school and led the Duke of Edinburgh Award. He enjoys reading, walking his dogs and sea kayaking</p>	Tissington Room
Revd Canon Dave Male	<p>A church of missionary disciples</p>	<p>A church of missionary disciples</p>	<p>Dave leads the Church of England's new Vision and</p>	Derwent Room

	<p>What does this mean for me and my ministry? This workshop will look at what this national priority means for us and our churches. How do we understand what a missionary disciple is and what kind of environment do we need to establish to enable them to flourish? We will also look at resources available to help us and the possible barriers we might face.</p>	<p>What does this mean for me and my ministry? This workshop will look at what this national priority means for us and our churches. How do we understand what a missionary disciple is and what kind of environment do we need to establish to enable them to flourish? We will also look at resources available to help us and the possible barriers we might face.</p>	<p>Strategy Team which seeks to help dioceses and churches live out the churches 10 year vision and strategy to be a Jesus centred Church for the whole nation. Previously he was involved in Theological Education as Tutor in Pioneer Mission Training at Ridley Hall and Westcott House from 2006 to 2015. He developed the first Pioneer track in the Church of England and also started the Centre for Pioneer Learning in Cambridge, an organisation he founded to equip, resource and send out lay and ordained pioneers from across the denominations.</p>	
Capt James Wilkinson	<p>Going deeper with creative art</p> <p>Explore going deeper in prayer and worship through creativity. Utilising different media to draw closer to God.</p> <p>You do not need to be an acclaimed artist to come along - no experience necessary. If you have your own materials</p>		<p>James is a Church Army Officer and says to find the place to pray in the traditional quiet space amidst a busy household, lifestyle and mind sometimes becomes impossible. I've always loved being creative and have found that through this; I have been able work out, draw closer, ponder, wrestle, worship and pray.</p>	Main Conference Hall

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Julia McGuinness	Creative prayer Prayer is about keeping company with God, with many avenues of expression open to us to help deepen our connection with our Creator. In this workshop we will explore and experience different ways of praying, both through words and beyond them. We will also reflect on the opportunities for prayerful creativity the last two years have brought us.		Julia is a Reader in Ellesmere Port Parish. She writes, counsels, and runs workshops in writing for creativity and well-being. She is the author of <i>Creative Praying in Groups</i> (SPCK) and a poetry collection, <i>Chester City Walls</i> (Poetry Space). She is currently Poet-in-Residence at Chester Cathedral	Writing Room
Chemin Neuf	.	Reconciliation Experience a time of reconciliation with the Lord, with oneself, with others (experience that can be afterwards introduced in parishes). Presentation of the reconciliation time and different steps possible during that time, participants choose freely steps they wish to experience.		Chapel

Sam and Sara Hargreaves	Rhythms of Rest and Simple Worship A legitimate part of worship is work - activity, busyness, sounds, movements. Yet do you ever feel there ought to be some more “rest” in worship - being still, pausing, simplifying, leaning into Sabbath? This workshop will explore ways we can intentionally create more space within gathered worship. It will demonstrate usable resources drawing on contemplation, liturgy, simple music,, scripture and other sustainable patterns. We will think about how worship can be led with limited resources, and how we can model rest as a spiritual discipline.			Derbyshire Hall
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Revd Ben Cahill-Nicholls	<p>Clergy Support Trust</p> <p>Come and hear how Clergy Support Trust is serving clergy and their families. As the largest charity focussed on the wellbeing of Anglican clergy and their families, it supported 4,865 clergy and their family members in 2021, with grants and services totalling over £3m. Find out how the Trust can help you, confidentially and impartially, with wellbeing, mental and physical health, and money worries.</p>		<p>Ben is Chief Executive Officer of the trust and has overall responsibility, working with trustees, for the leadership and strategic direction of the charity. Ben joined the Trust in October 2020. He began his career as a civil servant, and then held senior roles in education and corporate philanthropy. Ordained deacon in 2021, he serves as a non-stipendiary minister and church school governor in the Diocese of Guildford; he is also founder and chair of RicNic, a youth arts charity.</p>	Meeting Room 5
Revd Peter Mackriel and Revd Phil Burrows	<p>Pastoral Supervision</p> <p>A safe space to reflect on our ministry growth and development</p> <p><i>"I have discovered the benefits of being in regular pastoral</i></p>	<p>Pastoral Supervision</p> <p>A safe space to reflect on our ministry growth and development</p> <p><i>"I have discovered the benefits of being in regular pastoral</i></p>	<p>Phil served various parishes in Chester Diocese for 19 years. Answering a call to the Royal Army Chaplains Department, ministry for the past 10 years has taken him</p>	Meeting Room 8

	<p><i>supervision late in ministry – something I wish I had known 30 years ago.”</i></p> <p>The workshop offers a brief explanation of what Pastoral Supervision might look like, in a safe and confidential space with a trusted and prayerful practitioner. Participants will be given the opportunity to observe a practical session, to ask questions and to discuss what impact someone who ‘cares for the carers’ might have on our ministries.</p>	<p><i>supervision late in ministry – something I wish I had known 30 years ago.”</i></p> <p>The workshop offers a brief explanation of what Pastoral Supervision might look like, in a safe and confidential space with a trusted and prayerful practitioner. Participants will be given the opportunity to observe a practical session, to ask questions and to discuss what impact someone who ‘cares for the carers’ might have on our ministries.</p>	<p>away from home, and overseas to some very ‘glamorous’ places. Continuing now as a part-time chaplain, Phil is training as a pastoral supervisor through Wesley House, Cambridge. Knowing the demands of the parish and having a heart for the local church, Phil is passionate about supporting others in ministry.</p> <p>Peter has been Head of Counselling Services in the Diocese of Chester since 2019, Peter was ordained in 1994 and has served in three dioceses, in urban, suburban and rural parishes. Whilst Chaplain with Deaf People in north Wales, he trained as a counsellor and has worked in NHS settings for a charity, as well as in private practice and as a volunteer in the diocesan service. Supervision is intrinsic to the work of professional counsellors and, having experienced its benefits, Peter has advocated for pastoral supervision as a</p>	
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Weaverham Vicar	Motorbike ride if weather is suitable			Meet in reception

Revd Peter Mackriel will be available for private counselling sessions in Cromford Room – first floor Cromford Room Lakeside. Sign-up sheet with timings available at Cromford Room

Dr Simon Clift will be available for private appointments in Wirksworth Room – second floor Lakeside. Sign-up sheet with timings available at Wirksworth Room.