

# Our Newsletter in Dorking

We hope you like this newsletter connected to our monthly Messy Sessions, as an opportunity to share the message of each months meeting, to keep you up to date with Messy Family Events,

# Pastor David's Messy Thoughts

Dear Messy Boys and Girls, Mums and Dads. Happy New Messy Year to you all. I do hope you had a great Christmas and celebrated the Saviours Day. The Story of Jesus' birth is about a special message that became a person like you and me: it was promised almost 700 years before (that's a long time), welcomed by ordinary (Shepherds) and extraordinary (Kings from the East) people, and then two very elderly people (Simeon and Anna) who had been waiting all their lives greeted Jesus. They told his parents that he would change the world as they knew it, and he did! Jesus helps us make sense of our past, brings us strength and peace in the present, and holds our future in the palm of His Hand. As messy as our lives might be, only Jesus can make sense of it all, and show us the future He has for us.

Your Messy Pastor David





- For all the family 10.30 join us for our All Age Service
- Pastor David's Thoughts for the Month
- Arthur Pound is still Needing
  50 p 's this January
- Joking Around
- Out & About
- What's On ?
- Contact details
- Come & Join Us on Sundays at 10.30 a.m.
- Did you know ?
- We are 'A Church' on a Wednesday Bring a friend relative or neighbour
- Please LIKE our Facebook and look at our website.
- Try the activities www.dorkingmessy.org
   Dorking URC Messy Church



Next Messy 1st February 2017 There will be <u>Tibereus</u> Breakfast Club On January 15th Please feel free to join us in January ?

Each month we have a Tiberius Breakfast Club—We meet at 8.30 to have breakfast (that is cereal, juice, tea & coffee, cooked breakfast and toast with spreads) and we enjoy time together before having an activity usually tied in with the preparation of the morning service at 10.30

Please feel free to come along and join us for Breakfast - it is great for anyone who gets up early with Children on a Sunday and enjoys a full breakfast. A small nominal charge is made to cover the cost of breakfast. We would love to have you join us.

This usually coincides with our all age services or our parade services where our Uniformed organizations join us for worship. If you have any further questions please contact Pauline Selley :

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#### MESSY

Each month we encourage you to bring friends or relatives , we really do want to invite ALL ages to our sessions and to welcome as many of the community we can to join Our Church Family.

On registering please make sure Ted has up to date details for you as this helps communication , to let you know of events coming up or if the weather is bad, what we plan to do at MESSY.

We still try to offer `MESSY every 1st Wednesday in the month -Every month !

When you make wonderful works of art please remember to take them home with you ...

Please do not leave them behind

#### Not Naughty and very Nice Eileen's Perfect Messy Pasta

Messy Pasta is a great favourite with all those at Messy Church !

Please stay & Join us for tea —there is always plenty for all

# STORE STORE

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# ADULT Reminder

Messy IS FOR

adults too !

We love it when you join in with the activities

### HELP!-THIS MESSY NEEDS YOU!

We are always looking for help on the activities—if you or you know someone who would enjoy joining the team we would love to meet them

#### **REMEMBER Messy is for Adults too !**

Yesterday is history Jomorrow is a mystery But today is a gift That's why it is called the present.

## In and around the Church each month we have many

activities: we will try to let you know in

advance with contact numbers where possible so that you can join In, support or just enjoy :

<u>Regular events held at our Church</u>

(most of these are Term Time only)

Rainbow, Brownies & Guides

Contact ; Judi Currie Our Church Youth Co Coordinator :

Beavers, Cubs & Scouts

on : judicurrie@hotmail.co.uk or Tel: 01306 885254

Smallfry Toddler Group Every Wednesday (morning 9.30—2.30pm)

Open Doors—coffee & Lunches-every Thursday from 10.00a Breakfast Club- Monthly on Sunday morning 8.30a.m

Morning and Evening Sunday Services:

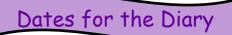
Sunday Morning - 10.30 a.m. (regular Junior Church)

Evening Service - 6.30p.m. monthly

**Oasis** : offer a varied programme for all ages including Aunts, Uncles, Grannies & Granddads'

Over 100 people come onto the premises so there must be something for you ?

Ask Chris for further details....



Our new Pastor David Bedford will be leading the services over Christmas we welcome you to join us here at West Street;

Come & Join Us February 12th Parade All Age Service



#### Did you ever wonder ?

#### How did the month January get its name?

#### Who was Simeon ?

**January** (in Latin, Ianuarius) is named after Janus, the god of beginnings and transitions; the **name** has **its** beginnings in Roman mythology, coming from the Latin

- Simeon is the second son of Jacob and his first wife, Leah.
- The name Simeon means, "God has heard."
- Simeon was also the ancestor of the Tribe of Simeon.
- Simeon has two big stories in Genesis.
- In Genesis 34, he and his brother, Levi, conquer a city to rescue Dinah.
- Jacob gets really angry and is worried that the neighbours will retaliate.
- Simeon defends his actions as being necessary.
- The second story happens in Egypt.
- Ten of the brothers go to Egypt to buy grain, and they stand in front of Joseph, their brother.
- Joseph gives them grain but wants to see his youngest brother, Benjamin.
- He puts Simeon in prison to wait for the brothers to bring Benjamin to Egypt.
- Eventually the brothers bring Benjamin, and Simeon gets out of jail.
- Simeon and his sons go to Egypt with Jacob.
- Simeon has six sons.
- On his deathbed, Jacob says Simeon is to be scattered.
- When the tribes of Simeon get land, they are only given a few cities.
- The tribe of Simeon only survives a few generations.
- One legend states Simeon dies at the age of 120.

# Join the Jingle for January

We are continuing to collect 50p pieces which you find in your purses & pockets.

Please join us in completing our present challenge

**Project Oasis** has recently refurbished the rear entrance to our premises. The old toilet building has been demolished to make a more welcoming entrance. The existing gates have moved back and the surface levelled to enable gentle slopes up to the Main Hall, Follett Hall and Living Room entrances. Part of the steps outside the Little Chapel have been removed and a wheelchair lift installed to the right of the doors.

The new area has an outdoor seating area, a water feature and carefully planned landscaping we hope this has created a new quiet contemplative place in our Church. Lighting having been introduced to enable the area to be used in the evening when weather permits. We thank you for your patience over the past few months, and would love

to hear your feedback.

Every little helps !

## Making Messy Ends Meet

We do not Charge for Messy Church but we do need to buy resources and supplies so if you are able a donation will be gratefully received to invest in our future sessions.





January blows in on a cold winter's breaze, Bending the trunks and limbs of trees. Use the snow to make a snowman friend. Imagine him dancing, just pretend. Put on your heavy clothes to stay warm outside. Put on your heavy clothes to stay warm outside. Go fast as you can, and ity clown the bill. Then have some hat chacelate to stap the chill.

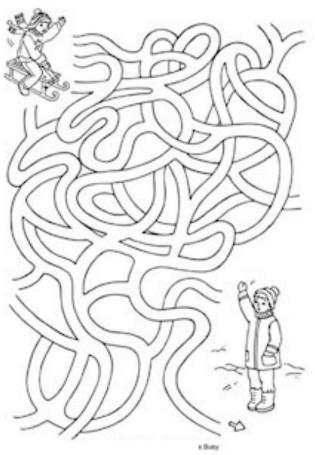
# JOKE TIME

Q: What is a cow's favourite day?



A: Moo-years Day! permission.

Please feel free to add to this Messy Matters if you have anything to share or add to the MESSY fun !



Start at the top and find a way to sled to your friend

Please feel free to talk to any of the helpers at a Messy Session with ideas or concerns or just for a chat.

Between sessions and for any information please

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