



Messy Matters



OUR

WORLD-WIDE

FAMILY



1st February 2017
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Session :90

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

Did you know there are 7.5 billion people on Planet Earth? I wonder how many you have met!

The Christian Family is around 33% of that number: 2.5 billion. The Church tells us that they are all our 'brothers and sisters': gosh, Christmas and birthdays suddenly got more expensive! But Father God sees it differently: he loves everyone, all 7.5 billion, and counts them as part of his growing family. We need that attitude too. Messy we may be, chaotic we may be, crazy we may be, but we are all precious and part of His Messy Family whether we know it or not.

So, here's a challenge: smile at someone today, be kind to someone, go the second mile in helping another, and do it because that what our Messy Jesus would do. Oh, and the Messy Holy Spirit will give you all the help you need!

Prayer

Thank you, God, that you love everyone you have made. Thank you that we are made in your image and likeness. Thank you that as the good news about Jesus first spread your family sprung up in every city, town and village. Thank you that we are part of that growing family in Dorking. Help us to touch the lives of others around us in the kind of way that Jesus did: without judgment and with huge buckets of love. Amen



- 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 for February
- Joking Around
- Out & About
- Fabulous February
- What's On ?
- Contact details
- 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
- An Open Invitation to you, your friends & family Come & Join Us on Sundays at 10.30 a.m.



Next Messy
1st March 2017

**There will be Tiberius Breakfast Club
On February 12th
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 :

M E S S Y

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.



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

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



ADULT Reminder

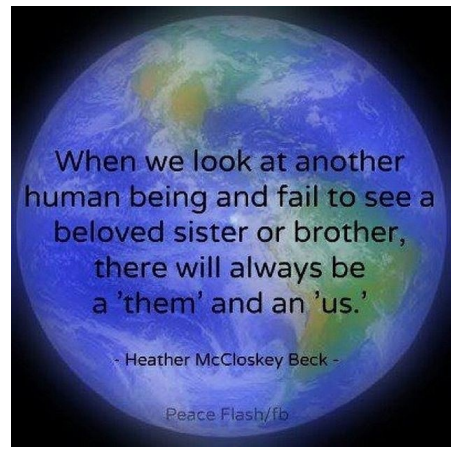
Messy IS FOR adults too !

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 !



When we look at another human being and fail to see a beloved sister or brother, there will always be a 'them' and an 'us.'

- Heather McCloskey Beck -

Peace Flash/fb

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 :

Regular events held at our Church (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....

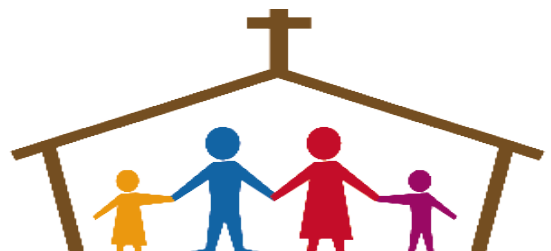
Dates for the Diary


Our new Pastor David Bedford will be leading the services we welcome you to join us here at West Street; at 10.30 each Sunday

Come & Join Us

February 12th

Parade All Age Service





FEBRUARY

Why does February have 28 days, and July and August, 31 days?

According to a popular legend, July was named after Julius Caesar and hence it had 31 days. Later, when Augustus Caesar took over the Roman Empire, he wanted August, the month named after him, to have 31 days as well. Hence, the two extra days were taken from February, which was then left with 28 days. However, some historians don't agree with this reasoning. They believe February always had 28 days ever since the time of King Numa Pompilius. He decided that a year would have 355 days, the length of 12 lunar cycles. Back then, even numbers were considered unlucky. So, he created seven months with 29 days, and four with 31. Since he now needed one short even-numbered month, he chose February, as it was considered the least favourite month for it arrived during the middle of winter. And hence, it was given only 28 days.

Things to think about doing in February

? Impress your loved one on **Valentine's Day**. With a card or present on :14 February.



Tuck into a delicious stack of pancakes or crepes on **Pancake Day** (Shrove Tuesday) 28th February try pancake flipping or a pancake race.



Keep up to date with fashion trends at the **London Fashion Week Festival**, a public industry event that follows the high-profile and influential London Fashion Week. Design your own outfit

Have you ever wondered why.....

We have Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday at the beginning of Lent ?

Ash Wednesday falls on March 1st, marking the beginning of Lent for Christians around the world. When the day arrives, Christians embark on a 40-day season of fasting that is considered preparation for Holy Week and the **celebration** of Easter.

Shrove Tuesday /Pancake Day According to Christian tradition, Lent commemorates the 40 days that Jesus spent in the wilderness so observant Christians marked this event by fasting. Many people used ingredients, such as eggs and milk, to prepare pancakes on Shrove Tuesday prior to the fasting period. Pancake races have been held in England for more than 500 years. Some sources suggest that they may have started in 1445.

One old English custom associated with Pancake Day was the annual pancake grease at London's Westminster where schoolboys would fight for pancakes to gain monetary awards. Another tradition was Mischief Night, where some people would go into houses in disguise and ask for pancakes. A general article about [Shrove Tuesday worldwide](#) covers more information

Fabulous 50's for February

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.

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

JOKE TIME

Q: Q: What do squirrels give for Valentine's Day?

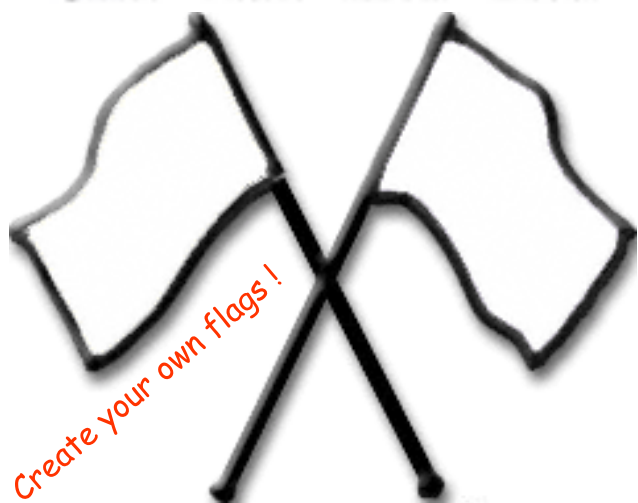


Is it your Birthday ?



Please let us know if it is your Birthday in the Month following Messy !

A: Forget-me-nuts.



Create your own flags!

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 contact :

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Take a look at our new Website & Facebook Page

Website

www.dorkingmessy@weebly.com

Facebook : Like us on Dorking URC Messy Church

Twitter : @DorkingMessay

On face book you can sign up to let us know if you are



Active Mess
Each month we will challenge you to have fun with the Theme of the Month.



Valentine Word Search

Look up, down, back, across and diagonal to find the words below.

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FEBRUARY
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 CANDY
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