**DIOCESAN TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES SPRING 2020**

**Everybody Welcome: Welcoming and Integrating Newcomers into the Church**

**Wed 5 Feb, 7pm-9pm, St Peter, Littleover-** [**BOOK NOW!**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/everybody-welcome-welcoming-integrating-newcomers-into-the-church-tickets-80648561017)Almost every church will tell you that they are welcoming-and yet, typically only around 10% of people who try a church will join. Bob Jackson writes, ‘True welcome is about active encouragement into the heart of the community of the church, and its job is not done until someone is completely at home, a valued, contributing member of the Body of Christ.’ This workshop looks at various aspects of a church’s welcome and introduces tools to help churches become truly welcoming.

### ****Mental Health & Prayer** Sat 28 Mar 2020, 9:30am-3:30pm, St Thomas, Brampton**- [**BOOK NOW!**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-prayer-tickets-80692281787)

Our mental health impacts upon our relationship with God, our spirituality and the ways in which we pray or struggle to pray. Prof Chris Cook from Durham University’s Department of Theology, Health & Spirituality will help us explore how to pray in the light of our changing mental health and guide us in considering how we faithfully and effectively accompany other people on their spiritual journey taking into account their mental health needs, issues and conditions. This day is open to all but is especially relevant for clergy, readers, spiritual directors and pastoral team members. Booking is essential.

### ****Places of Enchantment** Thu 23 Apr, 1:30-4:30pm, St John, Cressbrook**- [**BOOK NOW!**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/places-of-enchantment-tickets-80696654867)

A time of quiet reflection and prayer exploring the world around us led by Archdeacon Carol Coslett.

### ****Introduction to Church, Spirituality & Dementia** Wed 29 Apr, 7:30-9:30pm, St Barnabas, Danesmoor**- [**BOOK NOW!**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-church-spirituality-dementia-tickets-81495147179)

A short presentation outlining some basic facts about dementia; how to make your church more dementia-friendly and some hints and tips when carrying out a pastoral visit.

### Social Media for Beginners **Thu 13 Feb, 2-4pm, Church House-** [BOOK NOW!](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/social-media-for-beginners-tickets-81915163459)

If you’ve thought about using Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to get your message, mission and events out to a wider audience but aren’t really sure how to get started, then this is an ideal workshop to get you on the right path. This workshop is for beginners. In it, we’ll look at setting up your accounts and pages, how to use them, how (and what) to post and we’ll look at ideas and best practice.

### Twitter **Tue 25 Feb, 2-4pm, Church House-** [BOOK NOW!](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/twitter-tickets-81916906673)

How does Twitter work? How can you use it as a church? This workshop is an introduction to this popular Social media platform to get you up and running.

### ****Seriously Messy - Helping Families as they Cope with Death****

**Mon 27 Jan 10am -12pm, St Helen, Darley Dale -**[**BOOK NOW**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/seriously-messy-helping-families-as-they-cope-with-death-tickets-81718559411)

**Tue 28 Apr 7pm-9pm, Holy Trinity, Mapperley -**[**BOOK NOW**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/seriously-messy-helping-families-as-they-cope-with-death-tickets-81719933521)

Death is inevitable, and these joyful words from “The Last Battle” are full of hope. Yet we know that death often doesn’t feel like this. There is pain and bewilderment, especially for children. Whether death has been very sudden or illness has caused a long goodbye, we need to be prepared to offer what help we can. Perhaps the hardest is the death of a child with the support needed for the community in such a case. We will use a range of resources which can be bought or downloaded.

*All these events are free and suitable for everyone but need to be booked into*

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