# RESOURCING YOUR PARISH THE CHURCH

An exhibition and workshops for all involved in parish ministry



# **Workshops**

#### Going Long with Children, Youth & Families

Led by Jonathan Richardson, Children, Youth & Families Development Officer

We will be sharing current research and looking at how this can help shape your churches approach to developing a long-term plan for working with children, youth and families.

#### The 95%: Connecting with Children & Young People

(only available on 20 May)

Led by Clare Luxton, Scripture Union Development Worker (East Anglia)

We will explore ways in which we can connect with the 95% of all children and young people living in our parishes who do not currently attend church.

#### Godly Play in Baptism (only available on 10 May)

Led by the Diocesan Liturgical Committee

Explores how to use Godly Play in baptism to help families and friends of the family understand the significance of baptism.

# **Developing a Lay Ministry Strategy**

Led by Paul Overend, Lay Development Officer

A workshop in which we explore our experience of Identifying ministry needs and priorities, calling people to such ministries, training and supporting them, and deploying lay ministry.

#### We need more ministers – what about a Reader?

Led by Charles Read, Reader Training Co-ordinator

Explores how Readers can help a parish with mission as well as preaching, worship and pastoral care. Encourages people to think about offering for Reader ministry or encouraging others to consider Reader ministry.

# Flexible Worship - how to use the Service of the Word

Led by the Diocesan Liturgical Committee

Looks at what this service is, how to plan a Service of the Word and how it might be used.

# Changing church buildings: a guide for the perplexed

Led by Matthew McDade, Executive Officer (DAC Secretary) for Church Buildings

Covering a wide range of issues, topics will range from day-to-day maintenance of church buildings to radical re-ordering and obtaining the relevant permissions.

#### On Faith Formation and Spiritual Development

Led by Paul Overend, Lay Development Officer

A workshop in which we consider some of the courses available, but explore ways of moving beyond such educational ('courses') model of faith development.

#### **Encouraging Legacy Giving in your Parish**

Led (depending on venue) by Eleanor Stead, Legacy & Funding Officer for the Church of England Stewardship Team or by Robert Culyer, Parish Funding Support Officer

Eleanor Stead (nee Gill) will facilitate a lively and informative session, encouraging parishes to recognise the rich potential for funding ministry and mission through legacy giving.

#### Treasurer's Workshop

Led by Susan Bunting, Director of Finance

An update on the latest legislation, gift aid issues and to provide PCC Treasurers with the guidance and support that they need to produce a clear, consistent and compliant Annual Reports and Accounts.

# Funding & Planning your Church Building Project through Grant Finder

Led (depending on venue) by Geoff Freeman or Robert Culyer, Parish Funding Support Officers and Rachael Lamb, Surveyor for Spire Support Services

The Diocese of Norwich Grant Finder enables parishes to search for Government, Lottery and charitable trust funding in a quick, easy and accessible way to provide funding for your church building projects. The website comprehensively covers all available funding opportunities, and this workshop will explore how to use it effectively. Advice will also be provided by Spire taking you through the essential steps of planning a building project to ensure your funding application is successful.

## **Promoting News and Events**

Led by Katherine Limbach, Bishop's Press Officer

What are the most effective forms of communication to promote your church news and events? In this workshop we will briefly explore publicity through the local press and media, websites, social media, emails, and writing news articles.

# Church Website Tips (only available on 30 March)

Led by Kyle Cottington, Managing Director of Church Edit

Would you like to know how to improve your existing church website? Do you want ideas as to what makes an effective church website? Are you considering having a church website for the first time? If any of the above are true then we are sure you will benefit from this workshop.

## **Using Social Media**

Led by Katherine Limbach, Bishop's Press Officer

Social media has become an important communication tool that can be used to promote church news and events and have conversations with the local community. In this workshop we will explore the basics of what social media is, which channels are best to use, and how to use them effectively.