



Can we come to Messy Church?



YES PLEASE! Messy Church is a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, fun, celebration, and food... there is always food... and mess!

Norton Messy Church is held in each school holiday time and is aimed at everyone... anyone can come. It's a new way of being 'church' and suits all people, and it is very open to those who maybe don't already belong to a church.

More information from: messychurchnorton@btinternet.com



Norton Nippers Toddler Group

Thursday afternoon 1.30pm to 2.45pm

Parish Hall, Common View, behind St George's Church

Bring your pre-school age children and babies along for an opportunity to play with some fun and different toys, have a go at getting messy with crafts and sing-along at the end with your new friends. There are also drinks and snack available for all. For parents and carers, we offer a friendly place to meet new people, a cup of tea or coffee and a space for your little ones to play safely.

Session cost: £1

More information from Susan: susantaylor54@btinternet.com
or Norton Nippers Facebook page

Children's Choir

A choir for young people (aged 7-16) is held in church on Fridays, 6.15pm to 7pm. We warm up with rounds and silly songs, then work through various songs including some of the church anthems. The emphasis is on teaching the reading of music and to have fun doing so!

More information from Barbara: bhoneyoung@yahoo.co.uk



YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK In the Parish of Norton



Children and Young People are an integral part of our family
at St George's & St Nicholas Church

We realise bringing children, especially babies and toddlers, to church can feel challenging and it may seem as if your child is the one making the greatest noise! We would like church to be a positive experience for you and your child and so here you will find information, which we hope you will find helpful.

What happens each Sunday at St George's?

1st Sunday	9.30am	Dragonflies, in the Lady Chapel
2nd Sunday	11.15am	Altogether Service, in the Church
3rd Sunday	9.30am	Dragonflies, in the Lady Chapel
4th Sunday	9.15am	Sunday Dragons and Dragonflies, in the Hall
5th Sunday	9.30am	Dragonflies, in the Lady Chapel

Sunday Dragons meet at 9.15am on the 4th Sunday of the month, just before our main service starts at 9.30am. It is a fantastic opportunity for pre-school to Year 8 to have fun and make new friends whilst learning more about God, the Bible and faith. We do this together in creative ways with stories, songs, crafts and activities.

More information from Vicky: cameronvicky@hotmail.com

Our 0-3 years **Dragonflies** meet, with their parents, in the Lady Chapel as the service begins at 9.30am, on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays. We play, do crafts and colouring, listen to stories, sing and pray together, as well as making new friends. From September 2023, Dragonflies will meet together with Sunday Dragons, in the Hall on a 4th Sunday, at 9.15am. If other young children wish to use Dragonflies when Dragons is not running, they are welcome to join, accompanied by their parents. For older children, there are activity bags at the back of church, which children can use.

More information from Angie: amcaldwe@yahoo.com

Is the Altogether Service for me?

Yes... it is!! Our Altogether Service is 'church' but just a little bit different to our traditional service and it is for EVERYONE! It's often a little bit loud, (our puppets make sure of that), it's usually very interactive and it's always great fun!! It's a short family focussed communion service, aimed specifically at families but is open for people of all ages and stages of life and faith.

Baptisms

If you are interested in having your child baptised, please speak to the Rev'd Anthony Giles, who is taking the baptism services while we have no regular vicar, or Susan Taylor the baptism supporter.

More information from: office@parishofnorton.org.uk

Or Susan: susantaylor54@btinternet.com

What is there during the week?

Aspire is a group for Year 5 and above. It is a fun, active group of young people, who enjoy activities ranging from cooking to high ropes, which meets from time to time. From September 2023, they will also be meeting monthly on the 3rd Friday of the month, from 7pm to 8.30pm in the Loft, to talk about faith. There are also opportunities for them to be in a Music Club, a Drama Club and a Puppet Team.

More information from Liz: lizbeardmore53@gmail.com

All groups are staffed by a team of very dedicated volunteer children's leaders and helpers, who all hold a current DBS certificate.