

NEWSLETTER ROUNDUP

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CHATTING FAITH - A WAY FOR CHILDREN TO EXPLORE BIG QUESTIONS

The Chatting Faith project is a joint venture between the dioceses of Portsmouth and Winchester which enables children, parents and carers to share storybooks as a springboard for conversations about Christian faith.

TAIZÉ PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

A group of young people from Portsmouth Diocese (with whom we share a Schools and Education team) pilgrimaged to Taize this summer, where they encountered God in new ways.

HOW ONE CHURCH IS REACHING OUT TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WITH DISABILITIES

St Francis Church, Valley Park, have been awarded a grant by their local council to invest in sensory play equipment, so they can run a play and support group for children with additional needs.



VISIT FROM MOTHERS' UNION WORLDWIDE PRESIDENT SHERAN HARPER

The Mothers' Union (MU) Worldwide President, Mrs Sheran Harper, visited the Diocese of Winchester on 9-10 August to join the Mothers' Union members in celebrating Mary Summer Day.



INSPIRING TESTIMONY FROM SOUTHAMPTON YOUTH FEST 2023

More than 130 people gathered for this year's Youth Fest for an incredible weekend of fun and games, worship, teaching and ministry. Young people from churches across Southampton became one church family as they encountered God's presence together.

CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Summer holiday clubs and events are not only fantastic fun for kids, they're also a huge blessing for communities. A large amount of work goes into running them too - thank you to all the staff and volunteers!



DIOCESAN VISIT TO BURUNDI

The recent trip to Burundi was full of joy. The team of representatives went with the main purpose of sharing in a clergy conference about Christian leadership. This was an opportunity to learn together and listen to our different experiences. You can find photos of the trip on our Flickr account.

