

Fringe Meetings

November 2023 Group of Sessions

The flyers contained in this booklet are not a complete list of fringe meetings taking place, it just covers those that would like their meetings publicised. There will be a complete list of all fringes taking place during the groups of sessions on the noticeboard in Central Hall.

Fringe meetings are held primarily for the benefit of Synod members, offering opportunities for meeting in different groupings and to inform Synod members of the background to debates and significant issues beyond the limits imposed by the time available and the business permitted by Standing Orders. The presence of a particular fringe meeting or display at the Synod does not indicate the support either of the Presidents or the Business Committee for any views expressed or presented. These are entirely the responsibility of the organisers. Attendance at fringe meetings is entirely optional but can greatly enhance your experience of Synod.

Monday evening

General Synod Gender & Sexuality Group

National Redress Scheme

Catholic Group

Tuesday Morning

Unequally Yoked?

Funeral Ministry

1990 Group of General Synod

Tuesday Lunchtime

The Evangelical Forum

IICSA 1&8 Project

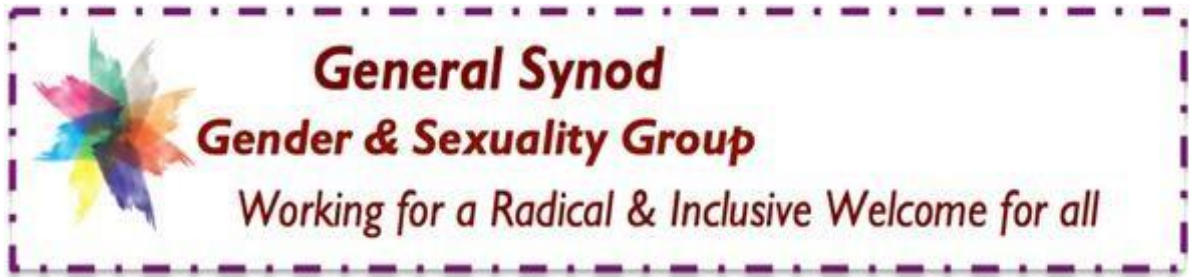
The Clewer Initiative

Tuesday Evening

Transforming the Church to tackle the housing crisis

Wednesday Morning

1990 Group of General Synod



To all members of General Synod

Dear friends,

The General Synod Gender and Sexuality Group are hosting a fringe meeting at **7.00pm on Monday 13th November in The Harvey Goodwin Room, Church House**. We are open to all Synod members who would like to help the C of E to become fully inclusive of LGBTI+ people, and to work within Synod to help bring about full inclusion at all levels of the Church. With Living in Love and Faith forming a significant part of the agenda at this November Synod we hope that you will feel able to join us. Glass of wine or juice on arrival.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Revd Neil Patterson
Chair

Prof. Helen King
Vice-Chair



The National Safeguarding Team

Promoting a Safer Church

National Redress Scheme fringe event

Monday 13 November, 7.30pm, Abbey Room

Speakers to include +Philip Mounstephen (Bishop of
Winchester and chair of the Project Board)

An opportunity for General Synod members to hear more about the Redress Scheme's proposed legislation, which is being presented on Tuesday 14 November.

The Church of England plans to demonstrate in tangible and practical ways that we are truly sorry for our past failings relating to safeguarding. Redress to survivors will include financial awards, apologies, acknowledgement, and further actions based on the needs of the individual survivor. Every part of the Church of England will join in with this crucial response, sharing a commitment to sustained and meaningful change.

To register your interest for this event, please email

redress@churchofengland.org

UNEQUALLY YOKED? THE CHURCH'S WITNESS AND JESUS' TEACHING ON MARRIAGE

Different groups within the Church are being called to walk together, despite holding divergent views on marriage.

Come and hear testimony from clergy who have already suffered for holding to the Church of England's doctrine of marriage.

SPEAKERS

Rev. Duncan Beet

Ordained for 23 years, Duncan is Rector of Sileby, Cossington & Seagrave in the Diocese of Leicester. He published an article on his parish Facebook page stating that marriage was between a man and a woman.

Rev. James Goodwin-Hudson

James has served as chaplain in a Church of England boarding school for five years. He sought to be faithful to his call and uphold marriage within the school's context.

Rev. Barry Unwin

Barry is priest-in-charge of Hope Church Family in Worcester Diocese and represents the Diocese on the board of a local education trust. He wrote to his congregation explaining the teaching of the Church on marriage.

Rev. Bernard Randall

Bernard was working as a school chaplain in a school with an Anglican evangelical ethos, when he preached a sermon stating biblical views on marriage.

VENUE AND TIME

Harvey Goodwin Suite
8 - 9am
Tuesday **14 November**
Breakfast provided

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REGISTER HERE



Please email rebeccahunt1970@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Changes, challenges and opportunities in **FUNERAL MINISTRY**

TUES 14TH NOV
8-8:50AM
inc. breakfast

New research on death and dying from Theos indicates that people's hopes and expectations around funerals are changing fast. The rise of direct cremation and secular celebrations will have a significant impact on Church of England funeral ministry.

Over a simple breakfast, Theos Head of Research Dr Madeleine Pennington will present a summary of the findings, with room for questions and discussion.

There will be a screening of *Dying for Beginners*, a new resource from Theos to help people talk about death and dying, presented by Dr Kathryn Mannix.

Theos, 77 Great Peter Street, Westminster, SW1P 2EZ.
Theos is three minutes' walk from Church House.
RSVP to andrew.graystone@theosthinktank.co.uk

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The Evangelical Forum

A Safe Place for Conversation, Reflection and Fellowship

Praying for Love and Faith

Tuesday Nov 14 Lunchtime 1–2pm

Venue: Harvey Goodwin Room

Tea, coffee and water provided
Packed lunches may be brought in

To register please email [here](mailto:lisabattye@gmail.com) (lisabattye@gmail.com)

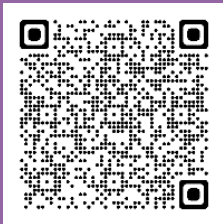
ABOUT

- Recommendation 1: creation of the diocesan safeguarding officer role, replacing diocesan safeguarding advisor.
- Recommendation 8: define and build collective understanding of what good safeguarding practice looks like through standards and independent audits.

CONTACT

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Project SharePoint page:



Date: Tuesday 14 November
Time: 12:45 – 14:00
Room: Abbey Room
Refreshments provided

To book, please email:
iicsa1and8@churchofengland.org

IICSA 1 & 8 PROJECT

DELIVERING IICSA RECOMMENDATIONS 1 AND 8

Please join us for our fringe session.

The project:

The project aims to deliver IICSA recommendations 1 and 8. It is split into four work areas to achieve this:

- 1) DSO role change (recommendation 1)
- 2) Regional and Central Model Pilot (supporting recommendation 1)
- 3) Quality Assurance framework, National Safeguarding Standards and independent auditing (recommendation 8)
- 4) Resourcing

Why attend?

We will provide you with an overview of what we have achieved so far and what's coming up over the next few months – highlighting key aspects for you to look out for.

It's an opportunity for you to find out more about the project, develop understanding of what it means for you, ask us anything, share your thoughts and get involved further!

...And of course, refreshments will be provided!

Come along to our fringe workshop to find out more about the project and what it means for you.



THE CLEWER INITIATIVE: RESPONDING TO MODERN SLAVERY IN 2023

Date: Tuesday 14th November 12:45

Location: Westminster Room, Church House

This session will outline how The Clewer Initiative works across the Church of England to help churches, parishes and dioceses recognise and respond to modern slavery. We will outline our key areas of work, resources, and how you can get involved.




To sign up please scan the QR code or email:
clewerinitiative@churchofengland.org






Transforming the church to tackle the housing crisis

November 14 2023, 7:15pm
The Footstool Cafe, St John's Smith Square
(food provided for ticket holders)

In 2021 Synod voted to...

-  Stand up for the marginalised
-  Serve those in need
-  Fund local ministry

-  Be good stewards
-  Act now
-  Grow

...through housing and community

Contributors include



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Bishop for Housing



**Bishop Rachel
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Bishop of Gloucester



**Lord Richard
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Diocese of Gloucester

Join us for an engaging and informal gathering focused on
renewing our church through housing ministry!

**For full event information and to book your free ticket
head to our eventbrite page.**

churchhousingfoundation.org/transforming-the-church

