



Role Title	Messy Church leader	Reports to	Joanna Alexandre (Messy Church leader)
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ROLE SUMMARY

What is the role’s main purpose:

Messy Church is a once-a-month service for families with children of approx. primary school age (4-11), aimed to spread the love of Christ and the church by creating a relaxed space to be creative together and to start to explore faith in an informal setting.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Key area	Tasks
Practicalities	<i>Messy Church is currently held on the second Sunday of each month, at St Saviour’s Church from 3pm to 4.30pm. Ideally helpers will be there from 2pm to set up until 5pm (or such time as we are tidied up). The ability to join short termly planning meetings would also be welcome.</i> <i>In addition, if you are leading an activity you will need time during the week (approx. 1 - 1 1/2 hours) to prepare the activity and organise any materials needed (ie. order craft supplies, equipment for a game).</i> <i>In each session there is a short talk about faith, or a character from the Bible. The team takes it in turns to prepare and lead these talks and a willingness to do this would be beneficial.</i>

	<i>No formal training is required for this role.</i>
	<i>You will be working as part of a team, and support is available from more experienced team leaders should you need it.</i>
Safeguarding	Your role involves contact with children, young people and vulnerable adults, both direct and indirect, as follows: <i>In-person contact with children and families within the Messy Church setting (typically families are encouraged to enjoy the activities together).</i>
	You will be required to attend relevant safeguarding training <i>(This can be accessed online).</i>
	You will be expected to work within the policy and procedures of the relevant safeguarding policy, by sharing any concerns with the Parish Safeguarding Officer (Jennie Brindley).
Health and Safety	Your supervisor will help you familiarise yourself with the Risk Assessment for the activity and record/report to them any near misses or concerns.
	We want you to be able to flourish in this role, so please speak to your supervisor or a member of the clergy if we can support you in any way.

SAFEGUARDING

DBS Check Level

Specify:

None required as parents stay with their children.

Church of England Safeguarding Training

Specify all required:

- *Basic*



ANY ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS/NONE

- *Experience with children and families would be beneficial but is not essential.*
- *It would be helpful to have attended Messy Church at least once before considering this role.*

ROLE APPROVALS

Name and role	Review date	Status
Ben Goodyear, Vicar	July 31st 2026	Approved