



Making disciples in your parish Deanery Synod Discussion Tool

Distribute the 'Making disciples in your parish' booklets and dice to those present.

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Invite people to form small groups, or to turn into pairs, and to take it in turns to roll the dice.

Using the booklet, people should look up which area the image on the dice relates to and then discuss one of the following questions. *Perhaps you could answer question 1 for your first roll, question 2 for your second roll and question 3 for your third roll.*

Question 1:

What does your church do that has worked really well within this area? What resources did you use for this?

Question 2:

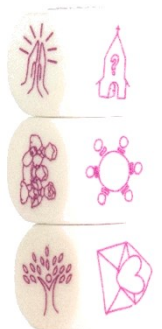
What have been the challenges you have faced in seeking to develop mission and ministry in this area? What could you do to address these in the future?

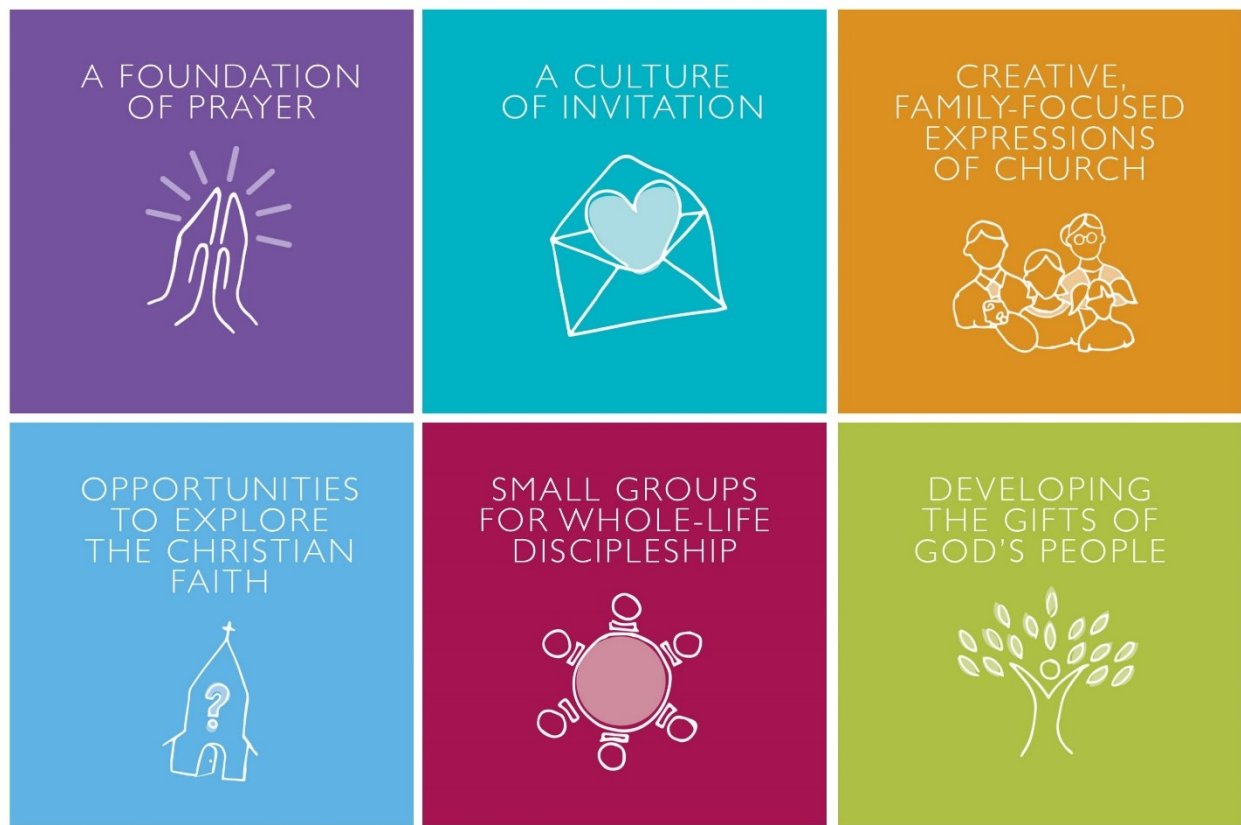
Question 3:

What are you going to do in your church in the next 6 months to further develop mission and ministry in this area? What support might you need to make this happen?

Conclude by inviting people to pray for each other as we seek to support one another in developing mission and ministry in each of these areas.

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Choose one of the six areas to focus on at this meeting and invite people to turn to that area in their booklets. If the booklet suggests a bible reference for that area you might like to begin by leading a bible study exploring that passage.

Invite people to form small groups, and to discuss the chosen area of mission and ministry, perhaps using the questions suggested below.

Question 1:

What does your church do that has worked really well within this area? What resources did you use for this? What was the response?

Question 2:

What have been the challenges you have faced in seeking to develop mission and ministry in this area? What could you do to address these in the future?

Question 3:

What resources or support would enable us to further develop effective mission and ministry in this area?

Conclude by leading the group in prayer for the mission and ministry of the church in this area.

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