



# **Bereavement ministry: An ongoing concern Welcome to this webinar**

**10.00 – 11.00am Thursday 14th May 2020**

with Canon Sandra Millar Head of Life Events  
and Canon Yvonne Richmond Tulloch, CEO of At a Loss

# Everyone's ministry

- ▣ Our vocation
- ▣ Our experience
- ▣ Our training
- ▣ Our heritage
- ▣ Our Gospel



# What we will cover:

- ▣ People
- ▣ Pastoral care: who
- ▣ Pastoral care: how
- ▣ Response
- ▣ Resources
- ▣ Questions

*Please type questions in at any time during the webinar*



# People: the bereaved now?

Those who have died directly of COVID-19

Those who have died in the past few weeks

Those who were bereaved immediately before this

Those with special anniversaries now

Bereaved through **death**

BUT - other losses interplay and interconnect



# People: bereaved?

*NB: 80% of deaths are over 75*

- ▣ Baby boomers - planning and grieving
  - ▣ Gen X - organising and grieving
  - ▣ Millennials - grieving grandparents
  - ▣ Gen Z - first grief experiences
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- ▣ Relatives, friends, neighbours, colleagues



# People: impact

- ▣ Total deaths in 2018: 514,000
- ▣ In 2018 the CofE conducted 127,550 funerals
- ▣ April 2020: highest ever number of deaths  
80% are aged 65 and over

.. upwards of 2 million people each year



# Pastoral care:

- ▣ In conversation – before the funeral
- ▣ In attendance – the funeral service
- ▣ In the community – spaces and places

All these are now different-  
the need is the same.. And more



# Pastoral care: how

Revd Canon Yvonne Richmond Tulloch





# Response:

Enable others

Stay in contact

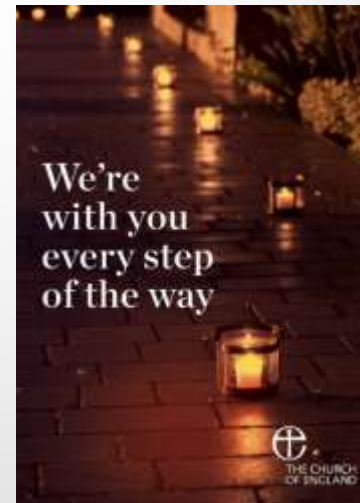
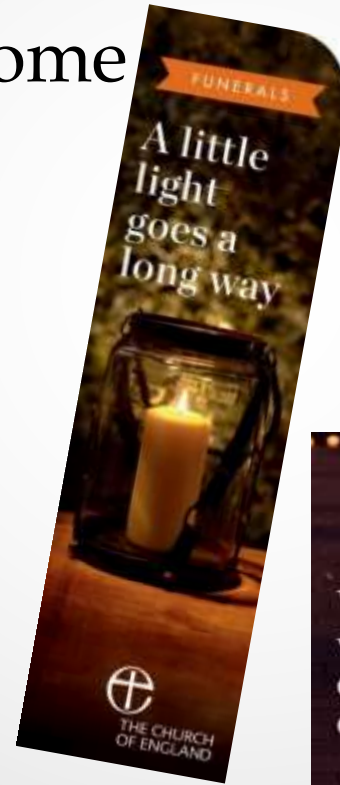
Enhance skills

Planning next steps



# Resources:

- ▣ Funerals: reflection at home
- ▣ On-line: Light a candle
- ▣ Ongoing contact: cards
- ▣ Everyone: prayer



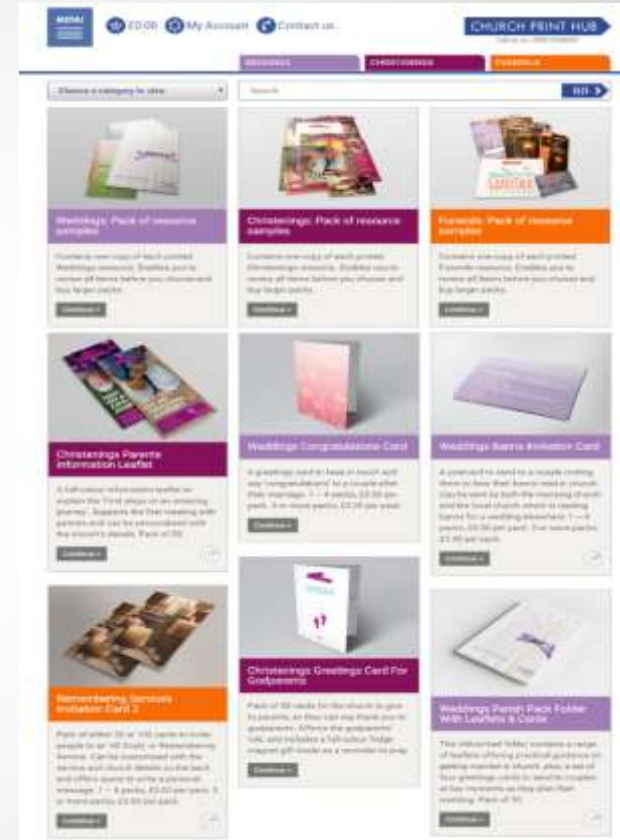
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- Information
- Insights
- Ideas
- Downloads

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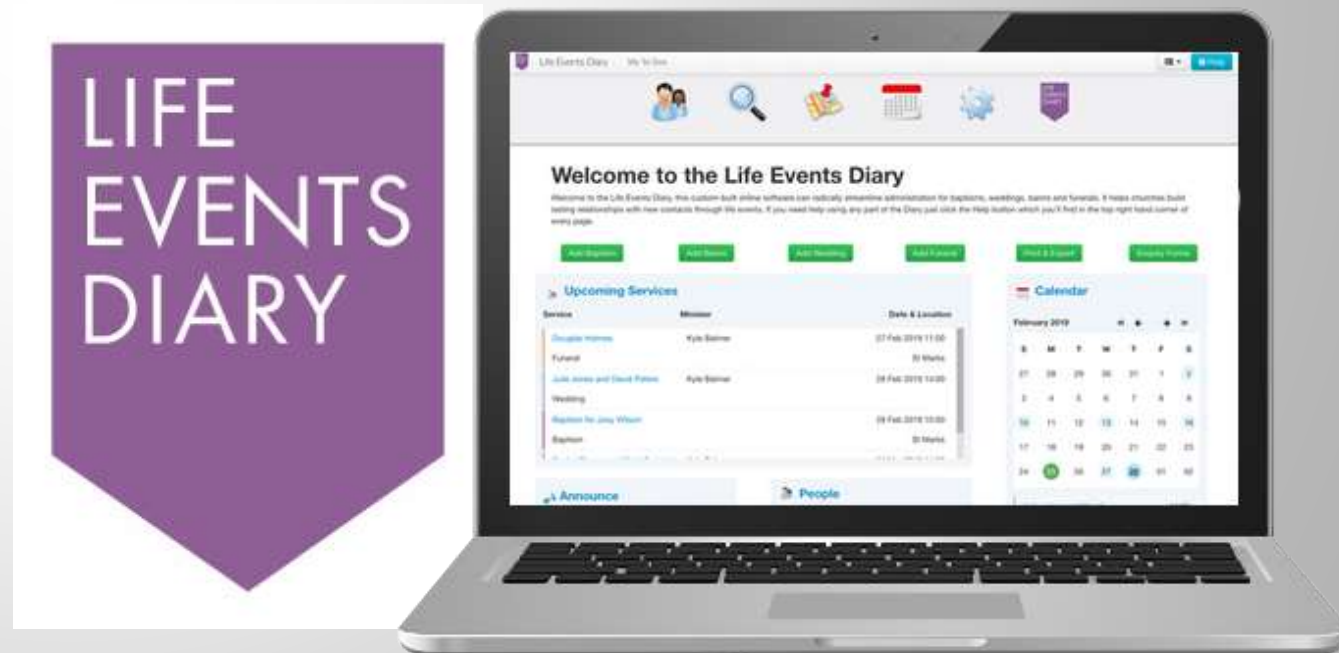
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# Life Events Diary:

- Free
- On-line contacts
- Admin
- Help desk
- Support



# Bereavement: an ongoing concern

- ▣ Before a funeral - practical help
- ▣ After the funeral – be in touch
- ▣ Into the future – confidence and moments
- ▣ Show kindness and speak hope

