## **Virtually Beach Mission**

With most team members unable to travel to the island, we are not able to run Beach Mission in its usual form. Instead, we will have "Virtually Beach Mission" which will include:

- an online "Beach Service" streamed online each weekday during the Beach Mission fortnight (3rd -14th August)
- a short video for each age group streamed online each weekday
  - o these will include a Bible story or theme, and activities to do
- a few "extra" events (virtual versions of Beach Mission favourites) more information nearer the time
- a resource pack to be sent to every child who is registered

#### **Bookings**

The videos will be available for anyone to watch, and, as with "normal" Beach Mission, you can join in as much or as little as you want. However, we strongly encourage you to register each of your children (age 0-17) so that they will receive their resource pack which will include a book, an activity booklet for their age group, and some Virtually Beach Mission branded items. Children who don't have access to the internet will be able to enjoy the resource pack on its own - the contents are not dependent on watching the videos.

To book, please go to this link, and complete one form for each child: <a href="https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/holiday/port-st-mary-su-beach-mission">https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/holiday/port-st-mary-su-beach-mission</a>

# Photos/Videos of children

Please note that during the fortnight we will encourage children (if they/you wish) to send in photos of themselves and/or the activities they have done. For us to be able use photos or videos of children, we must have permission to use these online. So, if you think that's something you will want to do, please can you make sure you say "yes" at the appropriate place on the booking form.

### **Resource Packs**

If you live on the Isle of Man, and are booking after 15<sup>th</sup> July, we ask that you collect your child's pack from Mallmore, The Promenade, Port St Mary, IM9 5DE – after you have registered, we will send you information about suitable times to collect your pack from Mallmore.

If you live in the UK, your child's pack will be posted to you.

If you live outside the UK/Isle of Man, we will, unfortunately, not be able to post a Resource Pack to you. However, we will send an electronic copy of the appropriate age group's activity booklet.

#### Spread the word

Everyone is welcome to join in – from those who've been attending for years, to those who had never heard of Port St Mary Beach Mission before. Please tell all the families you know, and encourage them to register.

### **Onsite events**

With Coronavirus restrictions now lifted on the Isle of Man, we are hoping to run afternoon activities in Port St Mary during the Beach Mission fortnight. Parents/guardians of children aged 12 and under will need to remain on site, because we don't have enough local team members to take responsibility for the children. More information will be sent to Manx resident families at the end of July. (We are holding off with committing to events, just in case the circumstances/restrictions change.)