

# Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?



**Date:** Saturday 2 August 2025 6pm

**This year our Parish Dinner has a new twist!** We are going to be getting together with a hint of mystery, good food and laughter but this time in peoples homes. Don't worry – there is still options of games, and competition!

**Theme:** We are inviting you to dress as your favourite mystery character – whether it's a classic detective like Sherlock Holmes, a cunning sleuth like Miss Marple, or even a villain with a secret.

## What happens?

A congregation member hosts around 10-12 guests at their home. The host has no idea who is coming to dinner, and the guests wont know whose house they are going to until the day when they get told the address. The host provides the venue and the main course. The guests provides the pre dinner nibbles, entrée, or dessert. Everyone brings their own preferred drinks.

Everyone's told how many people are in their group a week before, so they know how much to prepare, any dietary requirements etc, the guests will be told the address to go to on the morning of the dinner.

Hosts will be provided with some ideas for "ice breaker games" that they can choose to run, as well as how to upload and share with all the other host groups photos of their gathering.

If you want to take part we'll ask if you want to be a host or a guest. The organiser (the office) will sort people into groups. They will be making sure that you will be hosted with some people you know well and some people you don't! If you are inviting friends from outside the congregation they will be included with you in your host venue.

## Timeline

- **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July:** Final day for offering to Host.
- **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July:** **Final day for confirming guests attendance**
- **Mid July** Groups finalised by the organiser. Everyone told the number of guests at the party they'll be attending, and any dietary requirements.
- **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August:** Guests are told their host's address. Hosts don't know who's coming until there's a knock on the door and the fun begins

## Details

- **Hosts:** Welcome the guests to your home and provide the main meal. Your guests will bring either a dessert, or pre- or post-dinner nibbles, and the necessary crockery and cutlery. Guests will bring their own preferred drink(s). Hosts provide suitable glassware. Don't worry if you can't seat all your guests at a dining table!
  - **Guests:** Indicate whether they'd prefer to bring a desert or pre- and/or post-dinner nibbles and treats.
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Reservation

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

What's the best email to contact you at on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August to tell you where to go\_\_

What's your preference?

- ☐ A host: we can welcome up to \_\_\_\_\_ guests (not including ourselves)
- ☐ A guest bringing a generous supply of nibbles, and our preferred drinks.
- ☐ A guest bringing an entrée and our preferred drinks
- ☐ A guest bringing a dessert, and our preferred drinks.

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