



The glory of God

The Hilfield Community is very pleased to offer the 2020 Programme. It is a wonderful multi-splendored list of events! We are working more and more collaboratively as a community, and there are three seasonal weekends that are being offered by the community as a whole, with members taking responsibility for different parts. Community has many different meanings, but surely one of them is that we are greater than the sum of our parts. When we share the interests and skills we have, suddenly each of us experiences a little more what it means to be fully alive. In all of the programme offerings you are invited to explore something more about what it means to live in the world today. Every person—every aspect of creation, truth be told—has a word, a gift to offer the world to share in its healing. Join us in this proclamation as you experience healing too. As St. Irenaeus reminds us, the glory of God is the human person fully alive. Come and share in this glory.

Friday 24 to Sunday 26 January: **Seasons of the Soul I – ‘Winter’**

Join Debbie Bambrick and the Hilfield Community for a practical and thought-provoking look at the parables of Jesus through the seasons. Bring suitable clothes/footwear for working outside.

Saturday 22 February: ‘Pre-Lenten Quiet Day’, Br Malcolm SSF to conduct. The theme of the Quiet Day is the spirituality of St Clare.

Wednesday 26 February: ‘Ash Wednesday’. Mass with Imposition of Ashes at 12:00.

Friday 13 to Sunday 15 March: ‘Folk Weekend’ with Alan and Gill McIntosh. This is our tenth Folk Weekend at Hilfield; we welcome back old friends and new for our 10th Anniversary.

Thursday 19 to Sunday 22 March: ‘Guilt-free Crafting Time’ with Suzi Herbert. The first residential crafting event of the year, joining together in good company to laugh and create together.

Tuesday 7 to Sunday 12 April: ‘Holy Week and Easter’. You are invited to join the community as we observe Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, culminating in the Easter Vigil and First Mass of the Resurrection.

Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 May: **'Hilfield Secret Garden'** - open under the National Gardens Scheme, from 2pm until 5pm. The £5 entry fee goes to NGS supported charities. Friary-made cakes, tea and coffee for which donations are welcome.

Friday 22 to Sunday 24 May: **'Seasons of the Soul II – Spring and Summer'** with Debbie Bambrick and the Hilfield Community. With the warmth and longer days of late spring, we examine, through scripture and hands-on activity, the fragility and resilience of new life and reflect on how we might nurture our own spiritual growth.

Tuesday 26 to Sun 31 May: **'Young and Contemplative 2020'** led by Damian Hursey. If you are between 18-39 (we're flexible on that) take advantage of a rare chance to explore the contemplative life in the beautiful surroundings of hilfield friary.

Friday 19 to Sunday 21 June: **'Praying the Psalms'** with Rev'd Canon Patrick Woodhouse. Over this weekend we will explore the rich variety of these ancient poems, how they can speak to us today, and particularly how they can nourish a profound contemplative practice and become pathways into intimacy with the Mystery of God.

Tuesday 23 to Sunday 28 June: **'Stone carving'** with Maya Martin. A chance to tackle the traditional craft of stone carving with a professional stone-mason.

Saturday 27 June: **'The world beneath your feet'** led by Community member Tony Fry. How can we enhance the natural life and fertility of the soil without invasive techniques? Learn different ways of managing your soil, a session in the food gardens, seeing ideas you can use at home.

Friday 3 to Sunday 5 July: **'Rebel for Life'** with Community member Rev'd Canon Jonathan Herbert. The work of Extinction Rebellion has brought the Climate Crisis firmly into the public arena. This weekend we shall look at how to find the courage to speak and act out against the destruction of our planet.

Friday 10 to Sunday 12 July: **'The Balancing Act - Contemplation and Action'**, led by Community member Rev'd Lynn Fry. Using the story of Mary and Martha, we will explore how we can live both an active and a

contemplative life. How do we find time for ourselves, for others and for God? Come and explore how to find the right balance for you.

Saturday 18 July: **'Fundraiser for Joseph Weld Hospice in memory of late Br Kentigern SSF'**. Join us for a three-course lunch and raffle. Details to be announced.

Saturday 25 July 25 to 2 August: **'Families Camp'** - a week of sharing the life of the friary with adults and children. New young families welcome! Contact Stuart and Anna Hutton: stuarthutton@me.com

Saturday 8 August: **'Celebrate St Clare'** - anticipating her Feast Day on 11 August. Led by Sr Carolin Clare OSC, from 10am until 4pm to include Holy Eucharist and lunch.

Saturday 15 to Sunday 23 August: **'Youth Camp'** - a week with young people aged 13 to 17 sharing and growing in Christian life. Open to both groups and individuals. For information and booking: www.hilfieldyouthcamp.org

Friday 11 to Sunday 13 September: **'Churches caring for Creation'**, an A Rocha weekend. Do you and your church have a passion for caring for God's earth? Learn more about the environment and how to care for it. We will be sharing the joy and wonder of the beautiful wildlife here at the Friary, and exploring the ethos underpinning creation care.

Friday 25 to Sunday 27 September: **Seasons of the Soul III – Autumn** with Debbie Bambrick and the Hilfield community. As harvest-time comes to Hilfield, we consider Jesus' depictions of God's Kingdom as harvest and develop an understanding of God's vision for fruitfulness and fulfilment in our own lives.

Friday 2 to Sunday 4 October: **'Celebrating St Francis'**, a Franciscan weekend. Includes a film about St. Francis, Eucharist with pet blessing (*pets on Saturday only, not overnight, please*), talk on St Francis, the Transitus observed and Sunday 4 Feast of St Francis with Solemn Mass and sermon. *Spend the weekend with us or just a part of it.*

Thursday 5 to Sunday 8 November: **'Winter Crafting Time'** with Suzi Herbert. The second residential crafting event of the year, joining together in good company to laugh and create (maybe finish those pesky projects that have been hanging around all year!).

Friday 20 to Sunday 22 November: 'Living through the Beatitudes', led by Br Chris Martin SSF. How would the Church look differently if, rather than having the Ten Commandments displayed near the altar, we had the Beatitudes? We will look at the significance Matthew's Beatitudes can play in our lives and in the Church.

Friday 27 to Sunday 29 November: 'Poetry Weekend on George Herbert' led by Rev'd Canon Jonathan Herbert. We shall be exploring his poetry with particular attention to his use of ordinary symbols to express eternal truths.

Saturday 5 December: 'Advent Quiet Day' with Br Clark SSF.

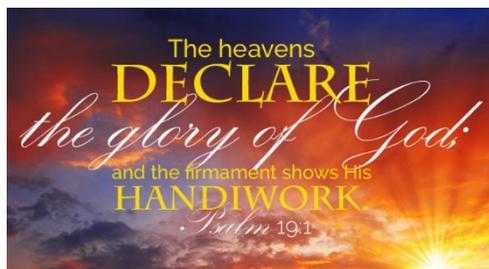
Tuesday 22 to Sunday 27 December: 'Christmas at the Friary'. Join us for a family Christmas awaiting the birth of the Christ Child.

MORE EVENTS AND COURSES TO BE ADDED AND FINALISED IN DUE COURSE. FOR FULL DETAILS SEE WEBSITE OR INDIVIDUAL BOOKING FORMS. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT SUZI IN THE FRIARY OFFICE (DETAILS BELOW).

Day events are held in the Friary Recreation Room; tea and coffee are supplied by the Friary. Occasionally some events will include a simple lunch. Those resident for retreats or courses will be staying in individual rooms and sharing the rhythm of the life of the Friary Community. There are no fixed charges but for each event we recommend an appropriate donation to cover the cost of your visit.

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For information about the Friary: www.hilfieldfriary.org.uk



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