

**EXPLORING ANGLICANISM** An opportunity to explore how the life and worship of our parish churches are part of a broad tradition within the world church. Sessions on Anglican Roots, discipleship, liturgy, sacraments and liturgical space, and local, national and global Anglican structures.

**Cost: £ 30.00 for the course - includes refreshments**

**Venue:** Mirfield Centre, Stocks Bank Road, Mirfield, WF14 0BW

**Dates:** Thursdays- 19th & 26 April, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> May, (no session on 10<sup>th</sup> May) 7.15 pm - 9.10 pm

**Details:** Beth Harper, [bharper@mirfield.org.uk](mailto:bharper@mirfield.org.uk) – 01924 481920

**JESUS AND BIBLICAL FESTIVALS** - How Jesus fulfilled the Biblical Festivals and how Christians fit into God's Calendar in the Bible.

**Fee £5 includes lunch**

**Dates:** Thursday 19th April 2018; 10am-1pm

Sutton-under-Whitestonecliffe Village Hall, near Thirsk YO7 2PS **OR**

Thursday 26th April 2018; 10am-1pm

Cherry Burton Church Hall, near Beverley HU17 7RF

**Leader:** John Barnett

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**QUIET GARDEN DAY** as part of the Quiet Garden Movement.

Come and enjoy the beauty of the Spring garden with some gentle input from Helen Warwick.

**Date:** Saturday 21st April - 9.45am for 10.00am – 4.00pm

**Venue:** Holyrood House, Sowerby Road, Thirsk YO7 1HX

**Details:** [www.holyroodhouse.org.uk](http://www.holyroodhouse.org.uk) ring 01845 522580

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### **REPLENISH DAY**

A day of refreshment with a theme - Replenishing through creativity

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**SUICIDE AWARENESS** - Responding to someone who is saying they are suicidal, or who you think may be suicidal can leave you feeling anxious and unsure what to do, a life is at stake. More details [here](#).

A half day for Clergy, Readers, Counsellors and anyone involved in Pastoral Work. **Fee £5**

**Venue:** York Diocesan Offices, Amy Johnson Way, Clifton Moor York YO30 4XT

**Date:** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018; 9.30am to 12.30pm

**Leader:** Revd. Andrew De Smet

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**GROWING THE RURAL CHURCH IN YORKSHIRE - A Day of Study & Workshops focussing on Ministry Futures in a Rural Context:** The day will include a choice of several workshops on aspects of rural ministry. **Free - bring your own lunch**

**Date:** Saturday 28th April 2018; 9.45am for 10.00am-3.30pm

**Venue:** Norton College, Norton near Malton **OPEN TO ALL**

**Details:** [www.releasedformission.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.releasedformission.eventbrite.co.uk) or [here](#)

**HOW ARE WE SHAPING THE FUTURE OF OUR PLANET?** The day will have four presentations on Climate Change, Care of the Earth, Lifestyle and Love for the Poor. Each presentation will be followed by question & discussion time. **Cost £21.00 - includes lunch and refreshments**

**Venue:** Mirfield Centre, Stocks Bank Road, Mirfield, WF14 0BW

**Date:** Saturday 28th April 2018; 10.00am-3.30pm

**Leader:** Ellen Teague

**Details:** Beth Harper, [bharper@mirfield.org.uk](mailto:bharper@mirfield.org.uk) – 01924 481920

**WOMEN CLERGY RETREAT** 'Passion, Power & Perseverance'

**Date:** 12noon Tuesday 1st to 4.30pm Thursday 3rd May

**Venue:** Holyrood House, Sowerby Road, Thirsk YO7 1HX

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**CREATIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE CHRISTIAN FESTIVALS:**

**Parishes Working With Schools** The Experience Journeys are an exciting way to share the story of the Christian faith and to engage children in the events and celebrations of major Christian festivals using stations set up in the church building or outdoor space with opportunities to respond through multi-sensory activities. **Fee £5**

**Venue:** St Mary's Church, Boston Spa, LS23 6DR

**Date:** Tuesday 15th May 2018; 7.30pm-9.00pm

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**TELLING OUR STORIES** Storytelling is as natural as breathing and an integral part of our lives. This session will help us to think about how we share our own faith stories with family, friends and those in our local communities and how we help our congregations to feel able to share their own story. **Fee £5**

**Dates:** 17th May 2018; 7pm-9pm

Hull Minster Parish Centre, Market Place, Hull HU1 1RR **OR**

24th May 2018; 7pm-9pm

York Diocesan Office, Amy Johnson Way, Clifton Moor

York YO30 4XT

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**TRIFLE AND WINE MUSICAL EVENING** with singer/songwriter Phil Riley

**Date:** Saturday 19th May

**Venue:** Holyrood House, Sowerby Road, Thirsk YO7 1HX

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### **GRIEF, LOSS & PAIN**

A Training Event for those trying to understand Grief

• Why do we grieve?; • Grief Models; • The Role of Faith and Religion; • Understanding complexities in Grief; • Developing a healthy narrative; • Caring for ourselves; **Fee £20 includes lunch**

**Venue:** York Diocesan Offices, Amy Johnson Way, Clifton Moor

York YO30 4XT

**Date:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May; 10am to 4pm

**Leader:** Canon Dr Bill Merrington

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**DEVELOPING TEAMS FOR MISSION** - Whether it be through LYCIG, as a result of the Diocesan Vision & Strategy, or through Deanery Development or other initiatives, we are widely encouraged to develop teams that can help to focus specifically on mission & growth in our churches and benefices. This session considers both resources and good practice to help us do this in effective and creative ways. **Fee £5**

**Dates:** Monday 4th June 2018; 10am-12.30pm - at Swainby Church Hall, Swainby, near Stokesley DL6 3EA **OR**

Thursday 7th June 2018; 10am-12.30pm - at

All Saints Community Centre, South Cave, HU15 2EU **OR**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018; 10am-12.30pm -- at

Old Malton Community Centre, Old Malton YO17 7HU

**Leader:** Diocesan Training team

**Details:** [training@yorkdiocese.org](mailto:training@yorkdiocese.org) – 01904 699504

**A BREATH OF LIFE** - Talks and guided exercises. Natural breathing as a way of opening up to the Holy Spirit at work within us.

**Cost: £410 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**Leader:** Fr Louis Hughes, O.P.

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**QUIET GARDEN DAY** You are invited to come and make some space in your life for God, to be still and to pray. A day to rejoice in God and in the beauty of nature. There will be a number of meditative Reflections, celebrating the Summer season, and plenty of time to explore and enjoy the Community's extensive gardens and grounds. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us, but do come prepared for whatever it may throw at us. Joy in the Lord and thanksgiving will be significant themes of our day together.

**Cost £21.00 - includes lunch and refreshments**

**Venue:** Mirfield Centre, Stocks Bank Road, Mirfield, WF14 0BW

**Date:** Friday June 8th 2018; 10.00am-3.30pm

**Leader:** Br Philip Nichols CR

**Details:** Beth Harper, [bharper@mirfield.org.uk](mailto:bharper@mirfield.org.uk) – 01924 481920

**'CELEBRATING THE HEALING OUR PETS BRING US'** This will include a dog show with Peter Wright from the Herriot vets and a Pets Celebration service.

**Date:** Saturday June 9th

**Venue:** Holyrood House, Sowerby Road, Thirsk YO7 1HX

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**OPEN HOUSES AND GARDENS** with the Royal British Legion Band

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**DEVELOPING A HEALTHY CHRISTIAN RESILIENCE:** - A Training Event for Self-Development; • What is Resilience and how do we understand it; • Measuring our stress levels; • Understanding how individual stress works; • What does healthy well-being look like?; - and more **Fee £20 includes lunch**

**Venue:** York Diocesan Offices, Amy Johnson Way, Clifton Moor York YO30 4XT

**Date:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June; 10am to 4pm

**Leader:** John Barnett

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**SUMMER SCHOOL** 'Transition, Trans-formation, Identity and Integrity in church and society'

**Date:** Monday 2nd July - Thursday 5th July

**Venue:** Holyrood House, Sowerby Road, Thirsk YO7 1HX

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**AN ASTONISHING SECRET** - Preached Retreat. Many of us live out our lives not knowing how precious, unique and lovable we are and when we are told this, we find it hard to believe. Six silent summer days to discover an amazing secret! **Cost: £410 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Leader:** Fr Daniel O'Leary

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**COMPASSION** - Preached Retreat. Jesus' fundamental message was to tell us who God really is and who we are - unconditionally loved and constantly surrounded with his compassionate concern. Where and how can we experience this love and compassion in daily life?

**Cost: £410 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Leader:** Fr John Fullenbach, S.V.D.

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**LIVING WITH A LIFE-CHANGING LOSS THROUGH BEREAVEMENT**

This retreat is to better equip us to deal with life-changing loss.

**Cost: £155 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Leader:** Abi May

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**6-DAY GUIDED RETREAT** - **Cost: £410 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August 2018 (with option to extend to 8 days)

**Leaders:** Fr Paul Fletcher, S.J. & the Briery Team

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**LIVING WITH A LIFE-CHANGING LOSS THROUGH BEREAVEMENT – Pt 2**

A retreat for those who would like a follow up from 2017 and earlier

**Cost: £155 per person – full board**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018

**Leader:** Abi May

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

**BORN TO FLY** - A day of reflection and exploration. We are living through times of immense and unpredictable change and many of us are struggling to plot a spiritual path through this landscape.

**Cost: £30 per person – includes tea/coffee and 2-course lunch**

**Venue:** Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW

**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Leader:** Margaret Silf

**Details:** The Retreat Secretary, [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com) or 01943 607287 [www.briery.org.uk](http://www.briery.org.uk)

### **NORTHERN SCRIPTURE FESTIVAL**

A day to experience the Bible afresh through informative and inspiring talks, workshops and worship.

Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 9.30am – 4.30 pm

All Saints School, Nunnery Lane, York YO23 1JG.

Keynote Speaker – Fr Eamonn Mulcahy.

Book early at [www.scripturefestival.org](http://www.scripturefestival.org) **Registration fee: £5**

### **THE GOOD NEWS OF HEBREWS**

Wharfedale and Aireborough Circuit invites you to Unravelling an Enigmatic Epistle – A study day for preachers and others led by Revd Dr Neil Richardson

Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 - 10 for 10.30am- 3.30pm

Yeadon Methodist Church, Chapel Hill, Yeadon, Leeds LS19 7RG

**Course fee £5** Bring a packed lunch Drinks provided

To book your place: contact Mike Fawcett Circuit Administrator [admin@wandamethodists.org.uk](mailto:admin@wandamethodists.org.uk) or 07885 585946 **by May 4<sup>th</sup>**

### **THE CENTRE FOR THEOLOGY AND JUSTICE INVITES YOU TO THE DAVID GOODBOURN LECTURE 2018**

"Theology for a Learning Church: Christian Education, Lay Formation and the Language of "Discipleship"

3.45pm, Wednesday 9 May 2018

at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool.

The lecture will be given by Professor Elaine Graham, Grosvenor Research Professor of Practical Theology, University of Chester  
The Centre for Theology and Justice is a partnership of Christian Aid, Church Action on Poverty, Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and Luther King House, Manchester.

**This is an open event so there is no need to apply for a ticket.**

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