

Wednesday 7th to Sunday 11th November 'A Time and a Season for Everything' - craft at the Friary with Suzi Herbert.

Saturday 1st December 'A Pre-Advent Quiet Day' - getting ready for this wonderful season of expectancy and hope.

Friday 21st to Thursday 27th December
'Christmas at Hilfield Friary' - celebrating the Christmas season with the Hilfield Friary Community



Day events are held in the Friary Recreation Room; tea and coffee are supplied by the Friary. 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.

For further information about these events and bookings contact the Friary Office: hilfieldssf@franciscans.org.uk 01300 341741

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



Hilfield FRIARY

2018 PROGRAMME

Seeking, Receiving and Sharing Mercy



'We can have the mercy of God whenever we want it, by being merciful to others: for it is God's mercy that acts on them, through us, when he leads us to treat them as he is treating us' (Thomas Merton). In this year's programme we unfold and explore God's mercy in all its facets.

Saturday 10th February 'Pre Lent Quiet Day' - A day from 10am until 4pm to prepare for the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, 14th February.

Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th March 'Gaze, Consider, Contemplate' - a creative retreat on St Clare of Assisi led by the Community of Hopeweavers (www.hopeweavers.co.uk).

Friday 16th to Sunday 18th March 'A Weekend of Folk Music' - focusing on music which we remember from our childhood or younger days. Led by Alan and Gill McIntosh.

Tuesday 27th March to Sunday 1st April 'Sharing the Paschal Mystery' - journeying through Holy Week and Easter with members of the Hilfield Community: experiencing its depth of loss, mourning and joy together.

Monday 9th to Friday 13th April
'Young and Contemplative' - a week sharing the rhythm of the Friary's prayer and work for younger people aged 18 to 30 who are drawn to a contemplative spirituality.



Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd April **'Sharing in God's Creativity: Doing Craft at the Friary'** with Suzi Herbert.

Friday 4th to Sunday 6th May **'The Warp and Weft of Creation'** - a weekend of basket-making and ecology with The Revd Jonathan Herbert.



Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th May **'Hilfield Secret Garden'** - open under the National Gardens Scheme. From 2pm until 5pm with Friary-made cakes, tea and coffee. The £5 entrance fee goes to charities.

Friday 11th to Sunday 13th May **'Flora Britannica'** - seeing the extraordinary in our everyday environment. A weekend on the wild-flowers around us, their history, folklore and religious connections, led by Bob Gilbert.

Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th June **'Shaping our Lives'** - a weekend using creative pieces as inspiration to exploring our own creativity through the ups and downs of life's journey. Led by Maggie Hooper and Lin Burton.

Monday 25th to Friday 29th June **'Understanding Islam'** - A sympathetic introduction led by Chris Hewer. This course will be of particular value for any working with Muslims, e.g. university, school, hospital and prison chaplains.

Saturday, 30th June **'The Hilfield Wildflower Meadows'** - An open day led by Richard Thornbury who will share the vision of the Friary's Conservation Management Plan.



Saturday 28th July to Sunday 5th August **'Hilfield 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 11th to Sunday 19th August **'Hilfield 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

Tuesday 11th to Friday 14th September **'Praying with Francis and Clare'** - drawing on Franciscan insight and understanding of God and creation. A retreat led by The Revd Dr Simon Cocksedge TO/SSF.

Saturday 15th September **'Hilfield Stigmata Festival'** - Sung Eucharist at 12 noon with preacher The Rev'd Dr Simon Cocksedge.

Friday 12th to Sunday 14th October **'Seeking Refuge'** - a weekend led by The Revd Jonathan Herbert and Br Hugh on issues around immigration, the asylum system and how we respond.

