

## Tuesday Evenings in Lent

16th and 23rd February, 1st and 8th March 2016  
7.30pm-9.00pm

'Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...'

More details on the website in due course

### Preached Retreats

12th – 15th February 2016 Lent Retreat £155.00  
22nd – 26th February 2016 Clergy Lent Retreat £205.00  
19th – 28th March 2016 Holy Week Experience £300.00  
15th – 18th April 2016 Praying the Gospel £125.00  
29th April – 3rd May 2016 Railway Weekend £155.00  
19th – 23rd May 2016 Benedictine Retreat tbc  
27th – 31st May 2016 Pilgrimage Weekend £100.00  
27th June – 1st July 2016 Monastic Week £50.00  
26th – 30th August 2016 Bank Holiday Retreat £205.00  
2nd – 5th September 2016 Hebrew Weekend £155.00

### Individually Guided Retreats (IGRs) 2016

5th – 13th June 2016 Spring IGR  
7th – 15th August 2016 Summer IGR  
16th - 24th October 2016 Autumn IGR

A week in silent meditation on scripture, seeking to discern God's touch on your life and put head and heart together. A Guide accompanies, listening to you daily and suggesting directions for prayer. Please check the Community of the Resurrection website for further details.

En-suite rooms in our B&B are available for a surcharge of £6.00 per day subject to availability.

Individual guests are welcome and concessions are available upon request.

## Studying Theology...for the first time

Are you interested in beginning to acquire key skills in the study of theology? Would you like to read, write and think more seriously about God, faith and discipleship? This course may be for you! Held within the Wakefield School of Ministry timetable, it will run on the following Sundays:

**10th January, 7th February, 6th March 2016**  
The days begin at 9.00 am and end by 4.30 pm

For further details contact Kath Naylor on 01924 481916  
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When you attend any event at the Centre, you also can experience in more depth the monastic context of the place by enjoying the hospitality of the Community of the Resurrection. There is a large Retreat House offering a selection of accommodation in single, twin and en-suite rooms, with a variety of meal choices ranging from B & B to full board. So why not consider coming early or staying a little longer to reflect in a peaceful setting the insights that you've gained from the Mirfield Centre event?

If interested please get in touch with the Guest Brother at the Community of the Resurrection. He can be contacted by phoning 01924 483305 or by email at [guests@mirfield.org.uk](mailto:guests@mirfield.org.uk)

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# MIRFIELD CENTRE

2015-16

## Annual Programme

**Etty Hillesum's Thinking and Spirituality...**  
**A Pathway to Freedom and Hope**  
**The Walter Tapper Lecture**  
**Soul Friendship: Celtic insights into**  
**Christian Mentoring**  
**William Temple Speaks to our Time**  
**Has the Church Buried Jesus?**  
**St Luke- Earthing Faith in Time and Place**  
**Answering Tough Questions**  
**Advent Quiet Day**  
**The Sacred Art of Listening**  
**St Paul: Prophet or Bigot?**  
**Ethical Issues at the End of Life**  
**A Kind of Sleepwalking**  
**7 Last Words from the Cross**  
**Creative Journalling Day**  
**Prayer to God the Holy Trinity in Ascensontide**  
**Dreams - The Gateway to our Depths**  
**Quiet Garden Day**

[www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk](http://www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk)

# 2015

Saturday 26th September 2015

10.00am-3.30pm  
£20.00 (includes light lunch & refreshments)

## Etty Hillesum's Thinking and Spirituality...A Pathway to Freedom and Hope

During the day, participants will explore Etty's journey: her heroic determination to seek out wholeness, her experience and witness of life in Westerbork detention camp from where she was later deported to meet her death in Auschwitz in 1943. This is done through presentation, enacted dramatic monologues, engaging imagery, contemplative prayer, discussion and the opportunity for personal quiet and stillness.

Leader: Donna Worthington, writer and retreat leader

Friday October 2nd 2015

10.30am-12.00pm  
£FREE (booking essential, donations welcome)

## The Worship Space as a Vestibule of Heaven

The fourth Walter Tapper Lecture will be held in the Community of the Resurrection Church

Leader: Canon Christopher Irvine

Saturday October 17th 2015

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Soul Friendship: Celtic insights into Christian Mentoring

A day exploring soul friendship in the early Irish church, spiritual fitness informed by the desert fathers and mothers, envisioning, discernment processes, and current issues and practices

Leader: Ray Simpson, author and retreat leader

Wednesday 21st October 2015

2.00pm-4.30pm  
£FREE donations for refreshments

## William Temple Speaks to our Time

An afternoon introducing the great war-time archbishop's life and thought, the afternoon is an opportunity to see how Temple speaks to the issues of our own time and provides wise guidance for living the Christian life.'

Leader: Revd Dr Stephen Spencer

Saturday 31st October 2015

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Has the Church Buried Jesus?

British society is increasingly divided. Meanwhile the Church seems to be in terminal decline. What's the link and what is the answer? And where is God in all this? A day exploring how God seems to work through the most unexpected people, and how we may have, unintentionally but disastrously, betrayed Jesus.

Leader: David Rhodes, author of 'Faith in Dark Places' & 'Finding Mr Goldman'

Tuesday 10th November 2015

2.00pm-4.30pm  
£8.00 (includes tea and cake)

## St Luke- Earthing Faith in Time and Place

We find in Luke's two volumes emerging reflection on how Christianity fits in, as it moves from the Jewish world to the Greco-Roman civilisation. Luke is a sensitive and imaginative writer, known as 'the scribe of the gentleness of Christ'.

Leader: Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Saturday 28th November 2015

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Answering Tough Questions

As Christians, we often find ourselves living in a society that is often sceptical or hostile to our faith. The problem then is that we've not been helped to think through either the content or the style of our response to the tough questions about believing in God. A day exploring how to equip ourselves this task.

Leader: Bishop John Pritchard, author of 'Why Christianity Makes Sense' 2014

Saturday 12th December 2015

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Advent Quiet Day

A Quiet day in Advent to take time amongst the busyness of life to stop, reflect and pray during Advent.

Leader: Br Stephen Hawes CR

# 2016

Saturday 23rd January 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## The Sacred Art of Listening

Listening is undervalued, but so important. Listening makes our souls expand and so we flourish, finding resources we did not know of. Deprivation of listening leads to withdrawal from contact with one another, and our faith diminishes. We will look at what listening is, what it reveals to us and how we can learn to listen better, to ourselves, to each other and to God.

Leader: James McCarthy, a retired social worker and Quaker. He has a special interest in working with groups to promote healing, acceptance and change.

Saturday January 30th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## St Paul: Prophet or Bigot?

Love him or hate him, St Paul helped form the early church's understanding of itself and Jesus Christ. Consisting of 4 sessions: St Paul the writer; St Paul the thinker; St Paul and grace; St Paul & sex.

Leader: Bishop Tom Butler, contributor to Radio 4's Thought for the Day

Saturday February 13th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## At The End of the Day: Ethical Issues at the End of Life

A one day workshop on the Ethical Issues encountered at the end of Life, a day reflecting on the theological, historical and ethical reflection encountered at the end of life, the principle and practice as well as issues in end of life care and choices that need to be made.

Leader: Bishop James Newcome and Revd Dr Brendan McCarthy

Saturday March 5th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## A Kind of Sleepwalking...and waking up to life

We often feel as though we are sleepwalking through life, following a safe, narrow path which neither challenges nor hurts us but every now and then we are woken up: through painful events such as death and suffering or wonderful events like falling in love, becoming a parent or experiencing beauty. This day will help us explore these moments and discover that passing from sleepwalking to wakefulness can lead us, not necessarily to conventional happiness, but to an authentic experience or life lived abundantly.

Leader: Revd Canon Judy Hirst, author of A Kind of Sleepwalking, DLT 2014.

Saturday March 18th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## 7 Last Words from the Cross

Words of Forgiveness - Words of Consolation - Words of Anguish - Words of Completion. A Quiet Day on the final words of our Lord, spoken from the Cross. The day will include addresses, music and time for reflection.

Leader: Revd Bruce Carlin, retreat leader

Saturday April 16th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Creative Journalling Day

Keeping a spiritual journal has a long history behind it. This day will introduce participants to some of the many different ways in which a journal can be kept and how it can help us on our spiritual journey. The day will be a reflective one in which we will journal using different methods.

Leader: Christine Dodd, retreat leader and spiritual director

Saturday May 7th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Prayer to God the Holy Trinity in Ascensiontide (Quiet Day)

A day providing quiet and holy space for reflection and prayer during Ascensiontide

Leader: Fr Crispin Harrison CR

Saturday June 11th 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Dreams - The Gateway to our Depths

'A day exploring the way that dreams can unlock the deeper desires and inclinations of our souls. Using the works of Carl Jung and others we will look at our own dreams and what the Spirit might have to teach us through them. Using poetry and imagery we will seek to unleash the faculty of imagination.'

Leader: Adrian Scott, author and poet

Thursday 16th June 2016

10.00am-3.30pm  
£19.50 (includes lunch & refreshments)

## Quiet Garden Day

A day of calmness and time to reflect in the surroundings of the Mirfield site...

Leader: Fr Thomas Seville CR