

Rydal Hall

Conference, Retreat and Holiday Centre



PROGRAMME FOR SPRING 2010

READING WEEK WITH THE REVD CAMERON BUTLAND AND THE REVD CANON ANTONY CLEGG.

4-9th January 2010

Come to be refreshed and revived in preparation for the year ahead. Excellent food, comfortable accommodation and outstanding scenery are yours to be enjoyed. With morning and evening reflections led by the Revd. Cameron Butland and The Revd. Canon Anthony Clegg the rest of the days are left free for you to read, walk or simply rest. All meals and refreshments are provided. Packed lunches are available. Our time together will commence on the 4th with Coffee at 11.00am and conclude after breakfast on the 9th of January. The charge per person will be £150. Spouses are also very welcome at the special discounted rate.

SING A NEW SONG TO THE LORD WITH SUE PERKS.

18-22nd January 2010

Sue is a voice coach and singing teacher based in Tewkesbury Gloucestershire. Her passion is to help people of all ages and abilities find their own natural voice and sing with confidence and ease. After studying Theology, Music and Worship at London Bible College in 2000 she realised her passion had expanded to helping others discover the 'Song of the Lord'. These studies have formed the foundation of her vocal workshops where she combines the practical aspects of singing with her growing understanding of Theology. Her desire is to see the whole body of Christ being free to worship God, and although the workshops focus on singing they are much more about the heart of the worshipper and God's passion to hear and respond to each person.

The course will start with tea on the 18th and conclude after breakfast on the 22nd. The charge per person which will include all meals and refreshments will be £285.

LENT RETREAT - BLAZING A TRAIL LED BY SISTER ANNE MARIE.

16-18th February 2010

We will take a fresh look at Lent and try to discover in what way the last few days in the life of Jesus set up a whole new set of relationships to assist us as we celebrate this time in preparation for Easter beginning with Ash Wednesday. The retreat will be led by Sister Ann-Marie F.J. MA who both a priest the newly appointed Adviser for Spirituality for the Diocese of Carlisle and a priest. The retreat will commence with tea on the 16th and conclude after lunch on the 18th. The cost per person for the retreat which includes all meals and refreshments will be £145

TIME & SPACE 2010

This is a special offer of 4 nights (Monday - Friday) Bed, Breakfast and 3 Course Evening Meal for just £165 per person, Bed and Breakfast for £120 per person to give you the opportunity to reflect, rest and enjoy this wonderful location in the heart of the English Lake District. **A warm welcome awaits you. Come alone or with friends - you won't regret it!**

Bookings can be made no earlier than 13 weeks in advance. To book, please contact Rydal Hall. Full payment is required with booking please.

HOLY WEEK RELECTION AND PAINTING RETREAT WITH LINDA BIRCH AND TREVOR PITT.

28th March to 1st April 2010.

Three days at the beginning of Holy Week in preparation for the Easter celebration; there will be a mix of things to think about, places to paint, matters to discuss and films to watch. Daily worship and Eucharist will be offered. The programme will include reflection on the life and death of Jesus today, looking at the story of Holy Week in art and film, and the opportunity to draw and paint in the setting of Rydal Hall grounds. Suggested background reading: the Gospel narratives of Jesus' death and resurrection, in particular Luke Chapters. 22-24.

Canon Trevor Pitt has worked as a parish priest in Sheffield and Kent, and was until recently the Principal of an ecumenical educational course in the North East of England. His wife Linda Birch is a painter and tutor who also writes about painting and has run many art courses at Rydal Hall and elsewhere in the Lakes. They have ministered together on journeys to the Holy Land.

We will commence with Dinner on Sunday the 28th of March and finish after Breakfast on Thursday the 1st of April. The cost including all meals and tuition will be £299.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

2 - 5th April 2010

Spend Easter with fellow Scottish Country Dancing enthusiasts! This course is designed for competent dancers who have a high standard of achievement in Scottish Country Dancing and who wish to further improve their own technique. Classes will be held each morning with accompaniment by George Meikle and there will be an opportunity to explore the local countryside and places of interest in the afternoons. There will also be social dancing to live music each evening. The charge per person will be £270

GODLY PLAY

5 - 9th April 2010

Based on the Montessori principle of 'help me do it by myself' this Family Godly Play week seeks to help people of all ages discover for themselves who God is, rather than simply being told who he is. This is done through storytelling, play and feasting! The heart of Godly Play is that it does not depend on knowledge, but on personal response and spiritual engagement with God's word within a supportive, safe community of friends. There will be two sessions per day with the afternoons left free for you to enjoy the local area and amenities. This week is ideal for families with children over the age of 5yrs. Why not get a small group of families from your church to come along and spend Easter week doing something completely different! For more information on Godly Play take a look at www.godlyplay.org.uk

The charge per adult will be £200 - up to three children sharing the parents room will be free.

If you would like further information or a booking form please contact the Bookings Co-ordinator at Rydal Hall.