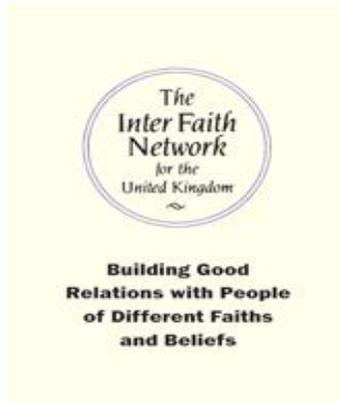




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York Interfaith Group

Interfaith Week in York



12th - 20th November 2022

“Offering Sanctuary”

Our historic city will host a number of events during National Interfaith Week, each inviting you to discover more about our diverse and vibrant faith communities, beliefs, traditions, values and contributions to 21st Century York life.

York Interfaith Group banners will be on display during the week

Saturday 12th Nov 10.30am to 12.30pm York Interfaith 'Tree Loving Care' event to open the week – Clifton Bridge area. Members of York Interfaith & friends will be weeding, planting and clearing the Interfaith plots. All ages and abilities welcome. Please let us know you are coming along by contacting Penny at yorkinterfaithgroup@gmail.com and also find the project on JustServe.org, where you can volunteer <https://www.justserve.org/projects/97fb0ccc-2fb7-4832-a10a-3c92aa6b7378>

6pm – Islam: A Story of Sanctuary, to be held on Zoom. For the Zoom link and further details, please contact Dr. Rasha Salah El-Din at rasha.salah.ibrahim@gmail.com

Sun 13th Nov a.m. – Remembrance Day services where Reps from Faith Groups attend the York Parade, Service and Laying of Wreaths at the war memorial as well as other services in the city.

Mon 14th Nov 6p.m. Pagan Moot Held at the Black Swan Inn, Peasholme Green. At 6pm there is a talk about Paganism until 7pm followed by their annual 'Pre-Yule Bazaar' at 8pm. This is a hybrid event both in person and hopefully also on zoom for the talk. Meals and parking available at the pub. Contact Eve on M: 07952 383 681 or Email: Kithoftheearthstar1@outlook.com for more details. Please note that the upper room is is not accessible for anyone with mobility problems.

Tues 15th Nov 11a.m. 'The story of the Bar Convent'. Why did the sisters come here, secretly in 1686, and how has life in the house developed over the years since then? What does the community do now, in 2022? After a short talk and a look at historic parts of the building, there will be an opportunity for anyone who wishes, to visit the 'Living Heritage Exhibition' at a reduced rate, and/or to visit the café for refreshments. Inquiries to Sr Patricia Harriss: pharriss1933@gmail.com

4.30pm – 5.30pm Radiant Heart Prayer Craft Join the Bahai group for a craft session, decorating prayers & quotations from the Holy Writings, while exploring what it means to possess a pure, kindly and radiant heart. Suits all ages. Venue: York Explore Café Contact yorkbahais@gmail.com

Wed 16th Nov 10am – 11.30am. Prayer and Meditation session via zoom organised by the York Bahais from 10am to 11.30pm with the title 'Be thou my Guide and Refuge'. Zoom open from 9.45, session includes pre-recorded relaxation and meditation, shared readings and contemplation. Please email: yorkbahais@gmail.com to receive the links and details.

1.15 p.m. Quaker Worship based at Friargate would like to invite anyone interested to join them for a Quaker meeting for worship at 1.15- 1.45. You are also welcome to bring your own lunch to eat with others at 12.15 and share some time together before the meeting. There will be tea and coffee on hand too. Look forward very much to seeing you. Email: friargate@yorkquakers.org.uk to let them know that you will attending.

NB Anyone wanting to attend both of those events can use WiFi facilities at the Friends Meeting House for the Bahai prayers and then be able to have lunch before attending the Quaker worship. The nearest car parking is at the Eye of York (Clifford's Tower). Please let Friargate know if you are going to one or both of these by emailing them on the address above.

Thurs 17th Nov 11am 'Creating a Sanctuary' An Interfaith Meditation at the Unitarian Chapel on St Saviourgate, York from 11am until midday. Zoom option will be available. Premises open from 10.30am. Contact: Dee Boyle on: m.07761762967 or email. deeboyle@gn.apc.org for zoom details.

1p.m to 4pm. – City Centre Churches Tour organised by the York Chaplaincy. Tour starts outside the Minster, then to St Wilfrid's (RC) Church, All Saints Pavement (CofE) and finally Central Hall (Methodist). It is about 45 minutes at each church looking at the worship space and the chaplains give a short talk in each place. Please contact Catherine Reid on: 01904 323131 m. 07947 867974 e.catherine.reid@york.ac.uk for details.

Fri 18th Nov Environmental Community Action 10am to 12.30pm The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints invite you to come and help in the community by taking part in a park tidy up. Meet in the centre of Clarence Gardens in York. Contact Penny at psiddall2020@gmail.com or find details and volunteer through JustServe.org by using the following link <https://www.justserve.org/projects/415bf847-cb47-425c-adb8-0bc2d5e9bc0e>

2pm – 3.30 pm York Buddhist Network invite you to join them in the new Buddhist Centre at 17 Walmgate for a session about Refuge in the Buddhist Tradition titled '*The Buddhist Three Refuges: a Sanctuary of Inner Stillness and Outer Giving and Kindness*'. Contact Mark at yorkbuddhistnetwork@gmail.com if want to join them. The session ends around 3.30pm

Sat 19th No. 10am-3pm – Stories from our Faiths. An event at the York Central Library where simple short stories from different faith will be read to children throughout the day, plus activities to do. There will be different stories every 30 mins.

5pm – 7pm Hindu Bhajans and Sikh Shabads from 5pm-7pm in the Contemplation Room, University of York St. John Chapel, York. ISKCON YORK (Hare Rama-Hare Krishna) will be joining the event. Contact person: Mahendra Verma (mkv1@york.ac.uk) or Suki Matharu (07730 943068)

Sun 20th Nov Contd. – International Mitzvah Day York Liberal Jewish group invite people to take part in their own Mitzvah Day. It involves a stand at Sainsburys on the site of Jewbury, inviting shoppers to donate items for redistribution to York Foodbank or another local charity supporting people in need. For times and further details please contact sherburn@jayprosser.plus.com.

Sun 20th Nov 11am – 'Finding Sanctuary' An Interfaith Service followed by a shared lunch at 12pm at the Unitarian Chapel, St Saviourgate. Lunch is a 'bring & share' one so if you are able to bring items along please do so before the service starts. Everyone most welcome.

1pm – 2pm. – Closing event & YIG Logo Competition results at the Unitarian Chapel, St Saviourgate. Photos of events from the week. Announcing the winners of the YIG Logo competition for school children that has been going on since Sept. Presentation of prizes and certificates.

N.B. Please note that the Lord Mayor & Civic Party have been invited to attend closing event and have been sent a copy of the full programme in case they would like to attend any other events during the week. Contact Dee at deeboyle@gn.apc.org if you are planning to attend this event.