



St Benedict's Centre Newsletter

June 2021

The past six months since our last newsletter have been months of unknowing as we gradually have taken steps to move out of lockdown. It was wonderful to be able to start welcoming individual guests again in March. We have been able to welcome groups and have enjoyed having some students back at the Centre.

We celebrated an Easter Triduum for the first time which was well received. Everyone created their own paschal candle which we blessed at the first Eucharist of Easter and then took home or back to their churches.

We are now able to run some days with limited spaces, details are below. We hope you will be able to join us for some of these events.

June



LIVING **Living in Love and faith**

IN LOVE 10am -12 noon Thursdays
June 24th, July 1st, 8th, 15th,
& FAITH 22nd

An opportunity to experience the Living in Love and Faith Course. This is particularly suitable for those who are planning to lead it in parishes.

Led by Rev'd Jane Winter Diocesan LLF Advocate

Cost £10 to cover refreshments

To book: bookings@stbenedictscentre.org

Pastoral Principles Course

Wednesday 30th June 9.30 for 10am – 3.30pm



A day to explore the Living in Love and Faith Pastoral Principles Course.

Led by Rev'd Jane Winter Diocesan LLF Advocate, Rev'd Dr Joel Love LLF chaplain and Rob Byrne.

The Pastoral Principles guide how we engage with Living in Love and Faith materials. They are

useful when dealing with any difficult or contentious matter where disagreement may be strongly held.

The day is for those who would like to lead the course in their own church communities. We will explore each of the five sessions and the five different learning activities of the course.

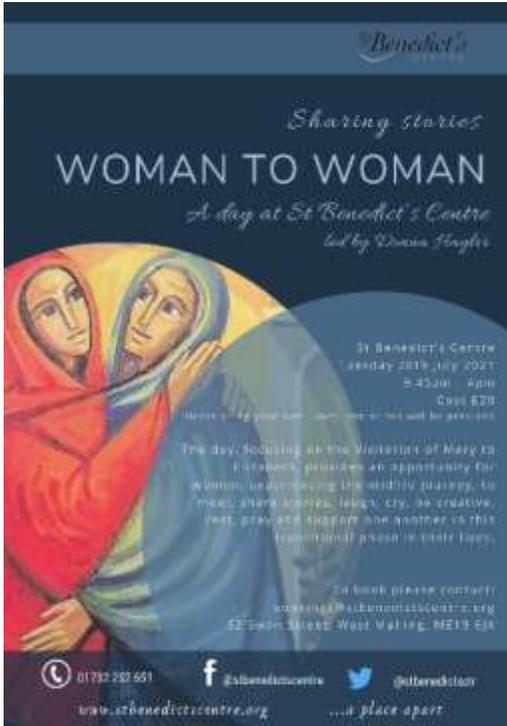
Please bring your own lunch, hot drinks will be provided. Cost for the day £10

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July

Woman to Woman: Sharing stories 20th July.

Led by Donna Hayler



The Menopause usually affects women in their late forties and fifties. It brings with it physical, emotional and spiritual change – welcome or unwelcome. These changes can take us on a journey of self-discovery.

Menopause invites women to re-evaluate what is important and to make changes that

shape the next phase of their lives.

This day, focusing on the biblical story of young Mary visiting older Elizabeth, provides an opportunity for women to meet share stories, laugh, cry, be creative, rest, pray, and support one another following this transitional moment in their lives.

The day will run from 9.45am – 4pm. The cost is £20.
Please bring your own lunch. Hot drinks will be provided.

To book please contact: bookings@stbenedictcentre.org

Not looking but seeing

Practicing the presence of God through photography

21st July 9.30 for 10am – 3pm



Led by Colin Lovell,
Lay Canon of
Rochester Cathedral

Mobile phones mean most of us carry a camera with us wherever we go. We see images and videos recorded for all sorts of purposes. This day invites us to use the camera to make images as a means of discovering the presence of God and enhancing personal or corporate worship.

Parts of the day may be spent in West Malling and the grounds of St Benedict's Centre so please wear suitable footwear.

Cost for the day is £20 please bring your own camera (a mobile phone camera is fine or a more sophisticated camera if that is what you use). Please bring your own lunch, hot drinks will be provided.

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August

Pure Gold

9th – 13th August daily 10am -12 noon

Led by Rev'd Caroline Glass

St Benedict's Centre presents
'PURE GOLD'
A Summer School event
Led by Rev Caroline Glass

9 - 13 August daily
10am -12 noon

Cost £25 for the course (teachings only)
or £19 per day if you would like to spend the
whole day at the Centre working further on the
morning session.

Our first summer school at St Benedict's Centre is an
opportunity to increase our knowledge of the bible.
Many of us are aware of how little we really know of
the bible. We are also aware that however much we
know, the bible always has more to show us.
In this basic broad brush course we discover more
about how the bible fits together and how it speaks to
us today.

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Cost £25 just for the course (mornings only) or £10 per day if you would like to spend the whole day at the Centre working further on the morning session.

Spaces are limited for the whole day option so book early.

To book or further details contact:

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Day Guests



Clergy and lay leaders have particularly appreciated the opportunity for a day apart in the current challenges of ministry.

You can book an individual study/retreat room for £10. This includes the use of the beautiful grounds and the opportunity for private prayer in the pilgrim chapel.

To book your day of rest and retreat contact:

bookings@stbenedictcentre.org.

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