

Away Weekend schedule

The changing face of Church

Faith in the future

31st January - 2nd February 2025

Friday	4.00 p.m.	Arrival and check in	This will give you a couple of hours to settle in before the evening meal
	6.00 p.m.	Meal	
	7.00 p.m. 30 mins	Evening Prayer and scene setting.	The future of the church and of Christianity is more like a Kaleidoscope of shifting patterns in an increasingly complex world. What sorts of intentions should we set?
	7.45pm onwards	Social Gathering Table quiz, drinks, nibbles.	
Saturday	8.15	Breakfast	
	9.15	Morning Prayer	
	10.00-11.00	SESSION 1	Barry. Where are we now? Why have we got here? What are people looking for in a meaningful spirituality? How can the church set its sails to best engage with this natural human thirst for the divine?
	11.00	Coffee Break	
	11.30-12.30	SESSION 2	Emily-Grace. The future shape of Church.
	1.00	Lunch	
	2.00-5.00	FREE TIME.	Optional screening of a film. People's pre-prepared material on "How do I see the church of the future" on display in our room.
	5.00-6.00pm	SESSION 3	Songs of Praise
	6.00 p.m.	Evening Meal	
	7.00-8.00	SESSION 4	The Othona Community. By Zoom. What can we do now to maintain our Christian roots and yet provide a meaningful and spiritual life for people outside the church?
	8.00 onwards	Social Time	Film Quiz
Sunday	8.15-9.00	Breakfast	Check out of rooms by 10.00
	9.30-10.30	Eucharist	Eucharist & Sermon (Preacher Emily-Grace)
	10.30-11.00	Coffee Break	
	11.00-12.00	Workshops	Christine and Helen will provide some craft and reflective based activities.
	1.00	Lunch	
	2.00-3.00		Debrief. What have we gleaned from the w/e