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VICAR'S VIEWPOINT

Reboot your Pilgrimage

Dear Friends,

A crucial aspect of our vision for our parish is helping people to find faith and to grow in their understanding. I start from the feeling that faith is good for us, giving us purpose, strengthening our hope, giving us peace and joy through knowing that we are loved and that belief in God casts out our fears. In this changing and often surprising world, we need to be able to feel that our faith is strong, and well thought through to keep close to God through all our present uncertainties.

We are therefore offering a course on Sunday evenings, fortnightly, from September to November.

There will be a shorter themed Evensong followed by a light supper, then an hour's session looking at our beliefs. You could just come for the session itself or only for Evensong if you prefer, of course, although we have devised it as a package.

The course is suitable for those seeking faith or those wanting to develop from where they are. It will be more about our feelings and perceptions than about academic knowledge.

We have called the course "Rebooting my Pilgrimage", a reference to the way computers often need to update, and to the fresh boots for treading the Pilgrim Way such as on the Camino through Spain.

The course will take place in the Church and its Parish Room. I will be leading it with Doug, and we look forward to sharing more together about what it is to follow the Christian Way today.



We can and will all learn together through sharing our ideas.

This is the Course outline:

Rebooting my Pilgrimage

2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month

Evensong 6.30 – 7.00, Light Supper 7.00- 7.30, Discussion 7.30- 8.30

September 10th September 24th 8th October 22nd October 12th November 26th November

- 1. The Way to Life
- 2. Love above everything
- 3. God among us
- 4. Ever-present God
- 5. The Cost of Forgiveness6. Faith gets Real

It would be very helpful if you could let me know if you intend to come. Please ring 01992 584899 or email vicar@allsaintshertford.org as we need approximate numbers for catering purposes.

The invitation is to everyone, churchgoer or not, and we hope that those who usually worship in the morning will be able to make a special exception for these weeks.

Love, Jo

All Saints' Events to put in your diary September to December 2017

3rd September – Tea and Thanksgiving in Church 3.30pm to 5.30pm (Social event)

9th September – Bike 'n' Hike with Coffee Morning to coincide with Bellringers celebrating 250th anniversary with a bell ringing competition and **lunch for everyone**. It is also Hertford Open Day

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1st October – Harvest Lunch- Roast dinner and selection of puddings. Wine and soft drinks.

21st October- Wine tasting and Supper at the Birds. Limited number of tickets to be prepurchased from the Bird family (01992 587544)

25th November Christmas bazaar with hot lunches

St Albans Diocese Harvest Appeal: Full of Beans



The 2017 Bishop's Harvest Appeal, 'Full of Beans', is supporting the development of community projects which transform the lives of people in remote rural villages of the Philippines – in the Tinglayan mountain district, they have discovered their soil is perfect for growing high quality beans

For more information please see page 9 and visit https://www.stalbans.anglican.org/faith/bis hop-s-annual-harvest-appeal/

Cash donations on Harvest Sunday will go to this appeal. As in previous years, please bring foodstuffs suitable for use by the Hertford FoodBank. The current shopping list is opposite page 9 of this magazine.

Study at St Paul's



