Wisdom Centre

A Ministry of the Daughters of Wisdom

We create space for people. . . space to meet, space to reflect, space to talk, space simply to be. At the heart of this is hospitality rooted in the tradition and spirit of the Daughters of Wisdom. Our flame logo gives expression to these roots: the warmth of hospitality, the light of the Spirit, the spiral path to Wisdom.

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Wisdom Centre is a Ministry of the Daughters of Wisdom, an international Congregation of Religious Women. We offer the Centre at Wisdom House to people of all faiths and none as a sanctuary of peace and tranquillity.



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Darkness into light

Finding Hope in the Christmas Story



Saturday 7th December 2024

10am—4pm
Tea and Coffee available from 9.30am
Suggested Offering—£35 to include refreshments, lunch and afternoon tea



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Advent: Darkness into Light

'Christmas makes sense only if you know the experience of darkness – the experience of not knowing what is going on, not knowing your way, not seeing life for what it is…Then the turn toward light has a real impact. The more you know the dark, the more you will appreciate the light.' (Thomas Moore).

Come to this day to explore how Advent brings the light of God into our midst. 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.' (John 1:5). Yet, we must learn to not incline too quickly toward the light, lest we bypass the greatest gifts that Advent offers. It is within the depths of darkness that we experience God. Darkness is found in Creation, in the Womb at the beginning of the Incarnation and during our own prayer and meditation. 'I will give you the treasures of darkness, God says in Isaiah 45:3. For it is the Christ who was born on a dark night in a cave who is the Christ who seeks to be born in us this day, the darkness is where incarnation begins.
There will be sessions using creative resources to help participants to explore darkness into Light.

Programme: (times may alter) There will be time for personal reflection, sharing and activities.	
9.30-10.00	Arrivals and coffee.
10.00-11.15	1st Session
11.15-11.30	Coffee
11.30-12.30	2nd Session
12.30-1.30	Lunch
1.30-3.15	3rd Session
3.15-4.00	Tea & sharing the day's experiences

Facilitators: The Breathing Space team are a group of ecumenical spiritual directors and retreat leaders who live and practice prayer, stillness and meditation in the Hampshire and Wiltshire areas.

Wisdom Centre is set in beautiful gardens, including a Labyrinth bordering by the River Test. We are just across the road from Romsey Abbey and a short walk to the town and Memorial Park.
The emphasis at the Centre is on welcome and hospitality. The building itself is spacious, and comfortable with an airy Conference Room, Quiet Room, Sitting Room and a Creative Room. Each room has a distinct ambience of quiet, relaxation, prayer, hospitality, creativity and learning.

Wisdom Centre is entirely non-profit making. **Our suggested offering of £35 includes materials, refreshments and lunch.***

*Please advise us of any **special dietary requirements** which we will do our best to accommodate. Those with severe allergies please be advised that our food is prepared in an environment where nuts and other common allergens are present.

*Note we require 7 days notice of cancellation and refund. We are happy to transfer your payment to a future event.





Advent: Darkness into Light

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Address .....

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Telephone .....

E-mail .....

I would like to attend - Sat 7th December 2024

Lunch is vegetarian, **X** box for Gluten Free ☐ Dairy Free/Vegan ☐ Diabetic (low sugar) ☐ Other ☐

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Yes ☐ I am happy to be contacted by phone/ email about this and similar events at Wisdom Centre.

Have you been to Wisdom Centre before?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please call to pay by credit/ debit card. BACs payment on request. Alternatively please enclose a cheque, payable to the Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom for £35 – Please leave an answerphone message if we are unable to answer.

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