



Petersfield Area Churches Together

11 Churches - many shades of worship - but only 1 God

November 2014 Newsletter

Hello, may you continue to be aware of God's presence and guidance throughout autumn. Susanne

No justice and peace without interfaith dialogue - a talk by Alfred Agius

Sunday, 2nd November, 3.30-5.00pm (United Reform Church Hall): Alfred was born and brought up in Malta, an island that was evangelised by St Paul. At an early age he decided to become a priest and joined the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits). He remained with the Order for over 40 years, becoming Provincial in Northern India where he spent 25 years. Here he studied Hindi, Sanskrit and World Religions as well as Yoga.

Alfred was then invited to return to Malta as Jesuit Provincial. Here he became Rector of a major Seminary and Principal of a Sixth Form College. He also taught World Religions at the University of Malta. At the age of about 60, he took the very difficult decision to leave the Jesuits and came to London. He was appointed Director of Westminster Interfaith, an agency of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster, where he advised the last three Cardinals of Westminster Archdiocese on Interfaith relations.

Alfred is a Spiritual Director and academic tutor. He has degrees in Sanskrit, Classical Hindi, Political Science, Philosophy and Theology. He has taught Theology at tertiary level and Ignatian Spirituality at the London Spirituality Centre in the City. He is married with one daughter and lives in Langley, Slough.

Cafe Church : Caring consumers - can we do more for the producers?

Sunday, 9th November from 5-7pm, Costa Coffee, Rams Walk: Cafe Church - Discussing big issues of life from a variety of viewpoints, including the Christian one, on the second Sunday of each month. Come and join in - or you are welcome to sit and listen!

PACT Christmas Dinner

Would you be able to spare some time on Christmas Day to help provide lunch for people who would otherwise be alone at Christmas? We are looking for people to help with washing up, driving, and acting as table hosts. We need the following: 10 table hosts (priority will be given to single people); 3 pot washer/driers; 2 to help plate/serve food (should have food hygiene cert); 2 to serve drinks; 4 people to welcome/seat guests (hour max); 20 (ish) drivers - 10 before 10 after; entertainment. If you would be willing to help, please contact Katie Wigley at pactchristmaslunch@gmail.com as soon as possible

"Green" film

Thursday, 20th November at 7.30pm (Winton House): 'Revenge of the electric car': About the resurgence of electric cars as a viable alternative to fossil fuels. Tickets £4 (£2 concessions)

Petersfield Methodist Women's Fellowship Programme

Thursday afternoons at 2.30pm (Methodist Church): Nov 6th Wendy Corney - Remembrance, 13th Julie Gallagher - Scam, 20th David Allport - A Solent Cruise Invitation Afternoon (Men Welcome), 27th Alison Judd - Advent, Dec 4th Petersfield Voices, 11th Alison Price and Liz Johnson - The Rosemary Foundation, 18th A Christmas Celebration. Kaye Mordle and Norma Goodacre Presidents of PWF

Home Start Butser Quiz Night

Friday, 14 November 2014 7pm for 7.30pm (Churcher's College Dining Hall, Petersfield): 3 course meal included in ticket price of £15 per person - tables/team of 6 (smaller number/individuals will be made up into teams); wine bar. Phone 01730 267483 if you need any help or to check availability.

Spiritual food for thought:

"Lord Jesus, in my quiet time today, ...I am waiting in the upper room of my soul, awaiting a fresh touch of your Holy Spirit. Lord Jesus, you are here... You have my attention, my Lord and my God. I breathe deep and your Spirit inspires creative thought. I breathe deep and your Spirit comforts and heals my aching soul. I breathe deep and Your Spirit empowers my faltering feet to step out boldly. I confess that, lately, I've failed to wait. I've trusted in my own feeble understanding. Lord, enable me to think, and to live outside the box of my own expectations. Set me free to soar to new heights in the power of your Spirit. All things are possible with you, Lord Jesus. I am waiting. Pour out your Spirit and fill me afresh. Set my spirit free that I may worship, rejoice, and soar in you. Come, Holy Spirit. In Jesus' Name. Amen." (Michele Morrison)

Any items for inclusion in the **DECEMBER PACT** Newsletter to reach me by **25th November**

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