



HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS

This our first newsletter of 2016 is more of a brief reminder of events and retreats scheduled over the coming weeks. The Brothers CR have enjoyed a peaceful Christmas and College students have been away for their Christmas break. If you would like to receive a copy of our monthly newsletter, which normally contains a variety of articles to keep you up-to-date with the work of the Community, then please get in touch with Jenny Ashmore on 01924 483308 or email jashmore@mirfield.org.uk.

EPIPHANY SINGERS: 6TH FEBRUARY 2016, 7.30PM



The Epiphany Singers first met in January 2009 to sing a carol service at All Saints Cawthorne. Their singing was well-received and the group met the following year for a repeat performance. Gradually other events began to creep into the calendar and the choir began to be asked to sing in other venues too. Since 2012 the choir has been based at St Giles' Pontefract where the choir's founder and director, Paul Dewhurst, is Director of Music. As well as singing regular services of choral evensong the choir are regular visitors to Wakefield Cathedral and have also sung in York Minster and

Ripon Cathedral in recent years.

On **6th February 2016**, the Epiphany Singers will perform a Candlemas concert for the Community. The evening concert will take place at **7.30pm** in the great acoustic of the church and we hope many people will want to come along and support both the singers and the Community.

Tickets will be priced at £7.50 each and refreshments will be made available in St James' chapel. To book your ticket(s) in advance, please contact Jenny Ashmore on **01924 483308** or you can email jashmore@mirfield.org.uk



PARISH & GROUP VISITS



Get away for the day and spend time with others! A day with your parish can be tailored to your needs and interests. A typical visit might include exploration of the gardens, a talk from one of the brethren, midday worship and lunch with the Community. Individual guests are also very welcome and we happy for you to stay for a Quiet Day to possibly study in our library, or come and stay overnight for a few days. Please call 01924 483346 for guest enquiries.

LENT RETREAT: 12TH – 15TH FEBRUARY 2016



Fr Thomas CR will lead retreatants through this weekend, exploring sin and how to get rid of it, as a way to prepare for Easter. Taking the time to reflect on how we keep ourselves away from God and how to get back on track.

Cost of this retreat **£125**

To enquire or book your place, please contact the Guest Department on **01924 483346** or email guests@mirfield.org.uk

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE MIRFIELD CENTRE:

<p align="center"><u>Saturday 23rd January 10.00am – 3.30pm</u></p>  <p>The Sacred Art of Listening Led by James McCarthy, a retired social worker and Quaker</p> <p>Cost £19.50 includes lunch & refreshments</p> <p>A day focusing on listening to God, what do I learn about myself when I listen to God? What do I learn about God when I listen to God? What happens when we listen to the world? What is the place of silence within me?</p>	<p align="center"><u>Saturday 30th January 10.00am – 3.30pm</u></p> <p>St Paul: Prophet or Bigot? Led by Bishop Tom Butler</p>  <p>Cost £19.50 includes lunch & refreshments</p> <p>Love him or hate him, St Paul helped form the early church's understanding of itself and Jesus Christ. Consisting of four sessions: St Paul the writer; St Paul the thinker; St Paul and grace; St Paul and sex.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Saturday 13th February 10.00am – 3.30pm</u></p>  <p>At the End of the Day Led by Bishop James Newcome & Revd Dr Brendan McCarthy</p> <p>Cost £19.50 includes lunch & refreshments</p> <p>A one day workshop reflecting on the theological, historical and ethical issues around the end of life, looking at principle and practice and the choices that need to be made.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Lent Study Evenings Tuesdays</u> <u>16th and 23rd February, 1st and 8th March</u> <u>7.30pm – 9.00pm</u></p>  <p>These four lenten evenings will be based on the theme 'Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses' And will also cover Prayer, Thanksgiving, Fasting and Relationships with Others. Fr Thomas CR and Fr Simon CR will be guest speakers.</p> <p>Cost £5.00 per session or £15.00 for all four.</p>

To book a place on these or any of the courses, talks or events taking place at the Mirfield Centre, you can call Beth Harper on 01924 81920 or email centre@mirfield.org.uk Alternatively, please visit the Mirfield Centre website: www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk