

October 2018

faith

Sharing our stories in new and different ways, including through digital media

CHELTENHAM
Festivals

Bishop Rachel and the Chatterbox at Cheltenham Literature Festival

Come along and support Bishop Rachel on Wednesday 10 October, 12.30 to 1.30pm (L168). In the centenary of the Representation of the People Act 1918 and the great struggle for change that preceded it, the first female diocesan bishop reflects on her own story, and on the divisions which exist between people in this country. How can we live out who we truly are, for good, and embrace the difference around us? Please do come along and support Bishop Rachel in this event.

Every day during the festival we are running a children's tent called The Chatterbox. Pop in and make an origami chatterbox, hang a leaf on our Tree of Hopes and Dreams and have fun coming up with ideas and answers to our curious questions – just bring your imagination! And if you are passing, come along and say hello.

Also sponsored by the Diocese of Gloucester:

- Neil MacGregor: Living with the Gods (L030),
- [Un]heard voices (L150),
- Helena Kennedy (L234),
- This book saved my life (L236) and
- Social media: Find your tribe (L254)

For tickets for all our sponsored events visit cheltenhamfestivals.com



Church of England: Social media training

**November 13, 9.30am to 4pm at the Guildhall,
Eastgate Street, Gloucester GL1 1NS**

Join us, free of charge, as the Church of England Digital Communications Team delivers a social and digital media training day for churches in the Diocese of Gloucester. The training will be done virtually, via live video stream from the national Church of England offices in London. If you are responsible for digital or social media in your church then this day is perfect for you, and it doesn't matter how experienced you are as it will cater for all capabilities. Topics include social media trends, writing for the web, A Church Near You, dealing with negativity online and how to use Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Places are on a first come, first served basis. Booking at goo.gl/1Lg2Gs

Get your church noticed

10am to 2pm on Tuesday 20 November, venue TBC (Gloucester)

A day of training led by Neil Pugmire, the author of four books including '*100 ways to get your church noticed*'. He is Communications Adviser for the Diocese of Portsmouth and previously a journalist for regional newspapers for nine years. Does your local community know about all the good things on offer at your church? Are you reaching the people you want to reach? Would you like to learn how to create a coherent communications strategy for your church? If so, join us for this whistle-stop training tour through the various tools you can use to put your church 'on the map' – branding, noticeboards, websites, magazines, social media, working with the media and more - even how to use your church buildings more creatively. To register your interest, please contact Lucy Taylor at ltaylor@glosdioc.org.uk

Mission Shaped Ministry taster morning

Saturday 24 November, 10am to 2pm

A taster session to see if the full Mission Shaped Ministry is for you. This course will be of interest to anyone who is already doing or planning mission in their local community or within a specific network. It could be a Fresh expression of church or a different kind of creative missional activity. You could be part of a group, or an individual exploring your vocation. You could be at any stage – scoping ideas, just getting started or considering how to develop further. Find out more at gloucester.anglican.org/event/mission-shaped-ministry-taster-morning

Events and training

More details for all these events at www.gloucester.anglican.org/events/

Rural Ministries Regional

Conferences 2018—mission as a dialogue: reaching your community

Saturday 6 October, 9.30am to 4pm at Forest of Dean Community Church, Cinderford, GL14 2LY

We will explore together how a deep listening to our rural communities will help us share the Gospel. £15 including a light lunch. Booking essential at rural-ministries.org.uk/regionalconferences2018

Celebration of Black Saints

Saturday 6 October, 4.30pm, Gloucester Cathedral

A service of choral evensong with a difference – African Drumming, the Cathedral Choir joined by a Gospel Choir and members of churches across Gloucestershire joining together. everyone welcome. 01452 835549.

The Sacred Marriage, Friday 12 October

Creating true connection, protecting sacred space, living out of the sacred space AND

The secret of dating well, Friday 19 October

God and the dating dilemma, listening to the right voices, courageous accountability.

Both 7.45pm to 9.45pm at Trinity House, Cheltenham. Booking at trinitycheltenham.com

A day of prayer and reflection: Fools for Christ in a challenging world

Saturday 13 October, 10am to 3pm

Christchurch, Abbeydale, Gloucester, GL4 5EQ
Angela Ashwin. To reserve a place contact lzpalin@gmail.com

Sundays in October— a series of talks on Science and religion by the Revd Canon Dr Mike Parsons

St Mary's, Charlton Kings, 7pm.

14 October, Cosmology, human significance and life on other planets

21 October, Adam and the ape:

evolution and creation

28 October, Why this is something and not nothing.

Celebration of 170th anniversary of Cheltenham Hospital—Cheltenham says thank you

Monday 15 October, 7.30pm at St Luke's Cheltenham

Contributions from hospital staff, the Caring Chorus choir and Bishop

Rachel as speaker. All are welcome.

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