

Tues 6th September ~ Supper and Silence

A chance to catch up and reflect on the experiences of the summer.
7pm @ Bryony & Jonathan's

Sat 10th September ~ Heart and Soul

Inspiration from painter Jim Dine as we explore the heart of our faith.
Opportunity to pick a scriptural 'heart' theme and paint/draw to your hearts content.
7 - 9pm @ St Columba's ~ Redwood House

Wed 14th September ~ Common Ground

holy::ground is invited to meet with Andy Wheeler and others for conversations about plans to develop a creative, prayerful community based at St Mary's. Would be great if some holy::grounders could go along and share our experiences. (Let Phil know if you are planning to come so we can arrange to share lifts)
8 – 9.30pm @ St Mary's Guildford

Sun 25th September ~ Transforming Church, Transforming Lives

A chance to reflect on the diocese of Guildford video 'Transforming Church - Transforming Lives'. What does holy::ground have to offer as a transformational way of being church? Ending with holy::communion.
6 – 8:30pm @ St Columba's ~ Redwood House

Fri 30th September ~ Animated Icons Film Evening

'Still Life' ~ Mild mannered civil employee (Eddie Marsan) dedicates his life to tracking down the next-of-kin of and arranging funerals for his community's unclaimed dead. (Part 1 of the holy::ground Death Season!)

Tues 4th October ~ Soup and Silence

7 – 9.00pm Jill & Jeremy's

Sat 8th October ~ Hope not Hate

With xenophobia on the rise in post-Brexit Britain – what can we do to promote positive relationships and combat racism? Looking at biblical themes of hospitality, inclusion and welcome.
7 – 9.00pm @ St Columba's ~ Redwood House

Sun 23rd October ~ Contemplative Walk with Communion

Meet at Water's Edge Café, Horsell Common for refreshments at 4pm

Fri 28th October ~ Animated Icons Film Evening

'What we did on our holiday' ~ Family secrets and lies can be hard to hide, as troubled parents, Doug (David Tennant) and Abi (Rosamund Pike) take their children to the Scottish Highlands for Doug's father's (Billy Connolly) 75th birthday party. Venue tba

Tues 1st November ~ All Souls Soup, Remembering and Silence

You are invited to bring a photo of anyone whose life you particularly wish to remember and celebrate.
7 – 9pm Venue tba

Sat 12th November ~ Unsung Saints

Come and share in telling the stories of saints (your own definition) old and new, conventional, eccentric and inspiring. Chose a story to bring along and share (and if possible an image / photo). With holy::communion.
7 – 9pm @ St Columba's ~ Redwood House

Fri 18th – Sun 20th November ~ holy::ground Retreat Weekend

Our last chance to enjoy the hospitality of the nuns at Freelands Retreat House, Oxfordshire, before it closes. A chance to unwind and relax. Limited places, so please let Jill know if you would like to come. (Cost by donation – but would suggest around £60 per person per night).

Sun 27th November ~ Welcoming Advent

Preparing to celebrate Advent, including an introduction to our Advent Retreat book and the Jesse Tree. Ending with holy::communion.
5 – 7pm @ Redwood House ~ St Columba's.

Sat 10th December ~ International Carol Service

The whole world (almost) gathers in Woking to retell the story of Jesus' birth. Readings and carols from around the world.
7 – 8.30pm @ Christchurch Woking

Sat 17th December ~ Cloth for the Cradle

A beautiful, meditative opportunity to prepare for Christmas with carols, readings and liturgy. Led by holy::ground and Heartmusic (the diocesan music group). Book in advance with St Columba's (no charge but likely to be oversubscribed).
5.30 – 7.00pm @ St Columba's House Chapel

Advent Retreat ~ On-line and over supper

A book to share and the opportunity to discuss on line or at weekly midweek supper. If you are interested in coming along – please let Bryony know what evenings you are available. Details to follow

Christmas Eve ~ an informal get together followed by Midnight Communion at one of our local churches. Details to follow

Post-Christmas Walk & Pub Lunch ~ Tues 27th or Sat 31st Dec

Other things you might like to go along to...

Sat 15th October ~ Private View at St Columba's House

'Iona' – paintings by Nicola Rose

'The Liminal and the Spiritual' – photographs by Clive Vosper.

Apply to St Columba's for tickets

Oct 14th – 16th ~ New Monasticism Conference

An opportunity to explore New Monasticism, drawing together those in existing communities and those considering a calling to set up new communities. Contact Bryony asap if you are able to attend.

@ St George the Martyr - Southwark

holy::ground has its roots in the Anglican and Methodist churches but welcomes those from any church background, as well as those who have left church or never been. We believe that Christian community is only complete when it welcomes and values people whatever their age, gender, abilities, sexual orientation, marital status, race, colour or background.

holy::ground is led by a core group (both lay and ordained) but welcomes and encourages contributions from any who are willing to get involved.

holy::ground is self-funding and has no paid staff (so things are sometimes a bit chaotic!). If you are able to chip in on an occasional or regular basis to help cover the cost of venues and materials, this would be appreciated.

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...is a small missional community based at
St Columba's House, Woking, Surrey.

...is rooted in the Christian tradition, seeking
fresh understandings of faith and worship.

...explores different ways of expressing our
faith in today's culture.

...values creativity, silence, friendship,
participation and experimentation.

...wants to provide a place of belonging,
welcome and hospitality.

...believes we can learn from each other, from
people of other faiths and none.

...likes to eat together and to celebrate life.

... are rather good at painting gnomes.

...has definitely not got it all worked out!

To keep up to date with holy::ground events check out our

facebook page and group ~ holy::ground woking

Or email jill_spanton@hotmail.com to be put on our **mailing list**.