

I wish to book for the following courses:

Please tick two boxes, one for Saturday and one for Sunday

Saturday:

Sunday:

Course A

Course A

Course B

Course B

Course C

Course C

Please note: The Saturday courses are repeated on Sunday.

Do you have any dietary requirements?

Do you have any other requirements?

The suggested donation for the full weekend is £72, if attending just one day, we ask for £36. A £20 deposit with this booking form will secure your place. If attending residentially, the suggested donation is £184 and we ask for a £50 deposit.

A £5 donation is requested if attending the Friday night lecture **only**. This may be paid on the day. If attending any other part of the weekend, this lecture is included in your total donation.

Please send your completed application form and deposit to:

Ewa Bem IBVM, Loreto Centre, Abbey Road, Llandudno LL30 2EL

Please make cheques payable to: Loreto Centre

Where possible, an acknowledgement of your booking will be made by email.

If you wish this to be sent by post, please include a stamped addressed envelope with this booking form.

For further information please see www.loreto.org.uk, phone 01492 878031 or email: [loreto.org.uk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:loreto.org.uk)

LIVING THEOLOGY 2024

LLANDUDNO

Understanding your everyday beliefs

A SUMMER SCHOOL IN CHRISTIAN FAITH



Loreto Spirituality Centre,

Abbey Road, Llandudno LL30 2EL

Friday 28th - Sunday 30th June 2024

What is Living Theology?

The Living Theology Summer School has been organised by Jesuits and their associates in venues across the country for over 50 years. The courses continue to provide opportunities for Christians of all denominations to deepen their understanding of the Christian faith, and develop their personal reflection on Christian living and belief. No prior theological knowledge is required, just an open mind and willingness to engage.

THE COURSES

All participants follow the Key Note lecture on Friday night. (Please note, this is a change to previous years.)

This lecture is also a Public Lecture, to which everyone is welcome, even if not attending the rest of the weekend.

Participants then choose two other courses, one for Saturday and another for Sunday. Each course will consist of three presentations throughout the day. This makes it possible for those who are only able to attend on one day, to complete a full course.

TIMETABLE

Friday 28th June

(6pm	Supper for resident participants)
6.45pm	Registration begins for non-residential participants
7.15	Introduction to the Weekend
7.30	Key Note Lecture
8.45	Tea/coffee

Saturday 29th June

(8am	Breakfast for resident participants)
9am	Registration for new participants
9.30	Morning Prayer
10.00	Lecture 1
11.00	Tea/coffee
11.30	Lecture 2
12.30	Lunch
2.00	Lecture 3
3.00	Tea/coffee
5.00	Mass for Sunday
(6pm	Supper for resident participants)
7pm	Film (optional)

Sunday 30th June

As Saturday until 3pm	
3.10 pm	Closing Prayer (Chapel) Tea and departures

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LIVING THEOLOGY

Loreto Centre, Llandudno 28-30 June 2024 Booking Form

Surname.....

Forename..... Title.....

Address.....

.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....Email.....

I wish to attend on the following days (please tick):

The whole weekend

OR

Saturday only

Sunday only

I require accommodation for the weekend

No booking is needed if attending the Friday night lecture only.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Suggested Donation: £72 for the whole weekend. £36 for Saturday or Sunday only. A non-refundable deposit of £20 is asked for when booking. If attending the Public Lecture on Friday **only**, we ask for a £5 donation. If you are attending any other part of the weekend, this lecture is included in your donation.

Residential Places: Please enquire about availability for residential places if required. Suggested donation: £184 (this includes course fee). Please make it clear on your booking form if you require accommodation, and include a £50 non-refundable deposit to secure your room. All accommodation is en-suite.

Please Note: It is important to us that nobody is excluded from our programmed events for financial reason. Please speak to us if you would find difficulty in meeting the suggested offering. If on the other hand, you feel able to make an extra contribution towards a bursary fund, this would enable others to participate in our programme.

Catering: The suggested donation includes tea/coffee and a light lunch.

Parking: A car park is available at the Centre.

Bookings: Please fill in the booking form at the back of this leaflet, and return to Ewa Bem at Loreto Centre with your deposit.

For further information: Please see www.loretocentre.org.uk, phone us on 01492 878031 or email: loretocentre@yahoo.co.uk

Contact on the day of your arrival: Please call Ewa on 07503 775368. *(Please do not use this number at any other time.)*



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KEY NOTE LECTURE FRIDAY EVENING PUBLIC LECTURE

Old Testament Listening Ideals

Lecturer: Karen Eliassen



We will spend our time together delving into the Old Testament's understanding of "listening" with particular reference to the familiar prayer called in Hebrew the *Shema*: "Hear, O Israel, you shall love the Lord your God ..." How can this Old Testament insistence enrich how we engage in spiritual conversation? With that question in mind, we will look at some Old Testament texts, both familiar and less familiar, to explore who we are as deep listeners – and learn a tad Hebrew in the process.

Karen was born in London of Danish parents who later emigrated to Canada. After finishing Biblical studies in Canada, she taught English in Arctic Greenland for several years. She has been on the Team at St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre since 2013.

THE COURSES

There are three courses offered on Saturday, and each is repeated on Sunday.
You may choose one course for Saturday and another on Sunday.

COURSE A 'Who do you say that I am?' Exploring New Testament Christologies

Lecturer: Josette Zammit-Mangion IBVM



Each New Testament author has a particular way, or indeed particular ways, of talking about Jesus, emerging from their own personal encounter with Christ and/or what best relates to the situation of their communities. We will explore the images of Christ which appear in the letters of Paul, the letter to the Hebrews and the book of Revelation, locating them within their original context and briefly addressing their significance for us today. It would be helpful if you could read some of the texts beforehand.

Josette is a member of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She works as a spiritual director and has an interest in New Testament Studies, particularly the letters of Paul.

COURSE C God East and West

Lecturer: Michael Barnes SJ

What does it mean to utter the word 'God'? How are we to regard and value the words about God that come from an authoritative tradition? And when should we keep silence before the utter mysteriousness of things that challenges the human capacity to speak at all? These lectures will address such questions not through the philosophy of religion but in dialogue with the experience and language of the religions themselves. We cannot study God because God is not an object to be put under a microscope or reduced to the status of the subject of a learned book. But we can study what people say about their experience of God, where the inherited symbols, concepts and words which make up our religious traditions come from, and how they can be said to hang together, both *within* particular traditions and *between* different religious perspectives.

Michael teaches theology and inter-religious relations at the University of Roehampton and the Margaret Beaufort Institute in the Cambridge Theological Federation.

COURSE B Liberation Theology: Origins and Enduring Relevance

Lecturer: Ethna Regan CHF



Liberation Theology has been described as the most significant theological movement since the Reformation. This course will explore its origins in Latin America in the 1960s, the challenges and developments over the decades, the influence of the 16th century Dominican friar Bartolomé de las Casas on liberation theology, and how a liberationist perspective emerges in the social theology of Pope Francis.

Ethna is Associate Professor of Theology and Ethics at Dublin City University. A Holy Faith Sister, she worked for over a decade in Trinidad and for five years in Samoa. Her research areas are human rights, Catholic social thought, Liberation Theology, and ecclesial responses to child abuse.

