



## YORK CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY GROUP

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### 2010 PROGRAMME

Events in bold are York CSG meetings

Other events are organised for the wider Church & Carmelite Family and are open to members if they wish.

Group meetings generally take place at 110 Lawrence Street, home of the Corpus Christi Carmelite Sisters. Meetings begin at 10.15am, preceded by optional Eucharist or Morning Prayer at 9.30am, and coffee at 10am. We generally have *Lectio Divina* Bible meditation at 12pm, and conclude with a bring-and-share lunch at 1pm. All are welcome to attend all or any part of the day.

In addition to these events, the Elijah's Well (Third Order) faith sharing group meets regularly throughout the year.

For general information please contact the convenor:

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Further information is also available online at [www.carmelite.org/yorkcsg](http://www.carmelite.org/yorkcsg)

The programme of the Leeds CSG is online at [www.carmelite.org/leeds](http://www.carmelite.org/leeds)

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of "Peace Built on Justice"**, with presentations by Sr. Anna-Maria Reverand, O.Carm., on the work of the Carmelite Order's NGO at the United Nations, and David & Carol Cross, Middlesbrough Diocesan Workers for CAFOD, on 50 years of the Family Fast Days. This meeting anticipates Peace Sunday the following day. Please note the usual bring-and-share lunch will be replaced with a soup and bread lunch; please consider donating the money saved to CAFOD/Pax Christi.

18-25 January

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: [www.ctbi.org.uk](http://www.ctbi.org.uk)

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of “A Celebration of Lay Carmel”,** with a presentation on Blessed Isidore Bakanja by Maureen Pickman (York Carmelite Spirituality Group) and an update on the Carmelite Third Order in Britain today by John Berry (Prior Provincial’s Delegate to the Third Order). This meeting will include receptions into the Third Order (please contact Johan in advance if this vocation would be of interest to you). This meeting will also include discussion about the future of the group. It is hoped that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will take place during the 9.30am liturgy.

22<sup>nd</sup> February – 7<sup>th</sup> March

Fairtrade Fortnight: [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)

5<sup>th</sup> March

Women’s World Day of Prayer: [www.wwdp-natcomm.org](http://www.wwdp-natcomm.org)

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March

**Meeting looking at the topic of “Oscar Romero and Carmel”,** in anticipation of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the martyrdom of this Archbishop of El Salvador. A presentation on Romero’s life and witness will be given by Julian Filochowski, Chair of the Archbishop Romero Trust. This meeting may take place at St. Paul’s Church in Heslington (t.b.c.).

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Service of Commemoration for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the martyrdom of Archbishop Oscar Romero. York Minster, 11am. Presider: Cardinal Keith O’Brien (Archbishop of St. Andrews & Edinburgh), Preacher: Dr. John Sentamu (Archbishop of York).

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of “Blessed Angelo Paoli”,** a seventeenth-century Carmelite friar who will be beatified in his home city of Rome on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May

York Quiet Day Group meeting at Thicket Carmelite Monastery. “Abiding and Abounding” with Rev. Ann Coleman, 11am-4pm. Cost £10. Contact Bryan Lawson for details ☎ 01759 372812.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May (t.b.c.)

Leeds & York Carmelite Spirituality Groups’ pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of the Crag in Knaresborough with Mass/devotions at the chapel at 2.30pm preceded for those who wish by pub lunch (rendezvous at Market Square Cross 12.45pm) followed by possible social trip to Mother Shipton’s Cave (contact Johan Bergström-Allen for details ☎ 01904 411521).

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of “Mary our Sister and Simon Stock our Brother”.** Speaker t.b.c. This meeting anticipates Ascension Day and the Feast of St. Simon Stock.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Carmelite pilgrimage to the restored Shrine of Our Lady of Doncaster, Chequer Road, Doncaster (contact Walter Whitman of the Sheffield Lay Carmelite Community for details ☎ 01709 894851).

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Carmelite NGO Day of Prayer & Action (World Environment Day): check the calendar on [www.carmelite.org](http://www.carmelite.org) for reflection resources

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of “Priesthood and Carmel”** at the conclusion of ‘The Year of Priesthood’ with a discussion led by Carmelite friar and Vocations Promoter Pat O’Keeffe, O.Carm.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Northern Lay Carmelite Retreat at Minsteracres, nr. Consett (contact Teresa Kelly for details ☎ 01670 737563).

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Day of recollection at Wood Hall Carmel near Wetherby (LS22 4HZ), hosted by Leeds CSG, with input from Fr. Kevin Melody, O.Carm., on his experience of visiting the Carmelite Family in Asia. Timetable to be confirmed. (Contact Johan Bergström-Allen for details ☎ 01904 411521).

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Presentation on “Carmelite Spirituality and Interfaith Dialogue” by Johan Bergström-Allen to York Interfaith Group (all welcome) at More House Catholic Chaplaincy in Heslington, 7.30pm.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic of “Carmel: A Family of Solidarity”**, with a particular focus on the Carmelite Order’s highlighting of people-trafficking.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July (t.b.c.)

Carmelite pilgrimage to South Queensferry nr. Edinburgh (contact Tom Condie for details ☎ 01383 736139).

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Mini-retreat to Aylesford Priory (The Friars) in Kent coinciding with the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on 16<sup>th</sup> July and the *Day for the Carmelite Family* on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July (please book rooms by contacting the reception desk at The Friars ☎ 01622 717272).

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July

‘Pilgrimage of Hope’ to Rome for young people (18-35) associated with the Carmelite Order (contact Fr. Tony Lester for details ☎ 01904 410249).

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic “Carmel: Building bridges across denominations”**. Speaker t.b.c.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August

British Province of Carmelites Pilgrimage to Lourdes with the Catholic Association (contact Johan Bergström-Allen for details ☎ 01904 411521).

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September

**Meeting at Thicket Priory looking at the topic of “Saint Teresa of Avila in Art”** with a PowerPoint presentation by Johan Bergström-Allen. This meeting will take place at the monastery of Discalced Carmelite nuns at Thicket Priory, between Wheldrake and Thorganby. Directions and public transport information can be found online at [www.carmelite.org/thicket](http://www.carmelite.org/thicket)

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September

*Day for the Carmelite Family* in St. Bede’s Church, Carlisle, 10.30am-5pm (contact John & Patricia Wilson for details ☎ 01461 40434 or e-mail [carlisle@laycarmel.org](mailto:carlisle@laycarmel.org)).

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October

St. Jude feast weekend at the Apostle’s National Shrine served by the Carmelite friars in Faversham, Kent (contact St. Jude Newsletter Office for details ☎ 01795 539214).

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**Meeting at Lawrence Street looking at the topic “Saint Thérèse of Lisieux – 1 Year After the Visit of her Relics”** with input from Very Revd. Keith Jones, Dean of York Minster.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Golden Jubilee celebrations of Sheffield Lay Carmelite Community (contact Walter Whitman of the Sheffield Community for details ☎ 01709 894851).

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Commemoration of All Carmelite Souls.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November

**Meeting on the topic of “Elijah in the different faith traditions”** to mark Interfaith Week. Venue t.b.c.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Carmelite NGO Day of Prayer & Action (World Human Rights Day): check the calendar on [www.carmelite.org](http://www.carmelite.org) for reflection resources

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December

**Advent meeting at More House with a festive Christmas celebration** at More House Catholic Chaplaincy in Heslington. For directions please visit [www.carmelite.org/york](http://www.carmelite.org/york)