

Invitation to Lead Retreat/Quiet Day at Whalley Abbey

Once a date has been agreed, please fill in the form below so that Whalley Abbey has the information they need in order to make this event run as smoothly as possible.

Date of event	1-4 October 2025 (ie. 3 nights)
What is the event? Retreat / Quiet Day	Retreat
What is the title of the event?	O all you works of the Lord ...
Please give a 3-5-line description about this event to go into the brochure.	As Creationtide closes with the feast of St Francis, this retreat will explore how God's sacrificial love is revealed to us in his gifts of Creation: earth, sky, water and living creatures; consider how best we can celebrate God's generosity in worship and prayer; our need to lament for the neglect and damage which Creation is suffering; how best we might care for Creation in our own lives, as congregations, as a Church and in the wider world.
Name of leader and a bit about who you are for the brochure.	Revd Canon Professor John Rodwell John has been priest and ecologist together for over 40 years, exploring the fabric of the natural world. Through teaching and research he has imparted skills and enthusiasm to hundreds of young scientists and helps protect wildlife and habitats across Europe. In preaching, writing and retreats he explores the richness and challenge of God's generosity in Creation.
Contact details, including email address and mobile number	johnrodwell@tiscali.co.uk 07908-420058
Start time of event	4pm 1 October
Expected finish time	2pm 4 October
Are there any particular requirements including a flipchart, audio-visual equipment etc.?	Screen, projector and lap top for powerpoint Flipchart
Will the participants be required to bring Bibles, journals or any materials?	Bible, journal/notebook, some piece of literature, poem, art work or music that speaks to them about Creation and their choice of newspaper for the first day.
Which room(s) have you booked?	Lounge
Maximum number of participants	23
What else would be helpful for Whalley Abbey to know in order to be prepared?	Would like to include a eucharist at 1130 on Saturday 4 October in addition to the morning, midday, evening and night prayers as appropriate.

Typical Package details:

Retreat – Full board x 2 or 3 nights with cooked breakfast, lunch & 2 course evening meal. Price £248 / £330

Quiet Days – Start time 9.30 or 10 am – 4 pm finish time, includes lunch and refreshments. Price £35

When planning the programme, please incorporate the Abbey prayer times:

8 am, 12.30 pm and 5.30 pm. We would be happy to share the leading of these prayers and adapt them to suit your themes. You can also add other prayer times in the chapel, such as night prayer, but please let us know well in advance because of other groups that may use the chapel.

Meal times:

Breakfast 8.30-9.15

Lunch 1 pm

Dinner 6 pm