

**SIBYLS WEEKEND AT THE PURLEY CHASE CENTRE, The Midlands, CV9 2RQ**  
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**25-27 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**The Sibyls Weekend at the Purely Chase Centre is scheduled to take place from the 25-27 September 2020. Reconciliation Within the Churches and Within the World.**

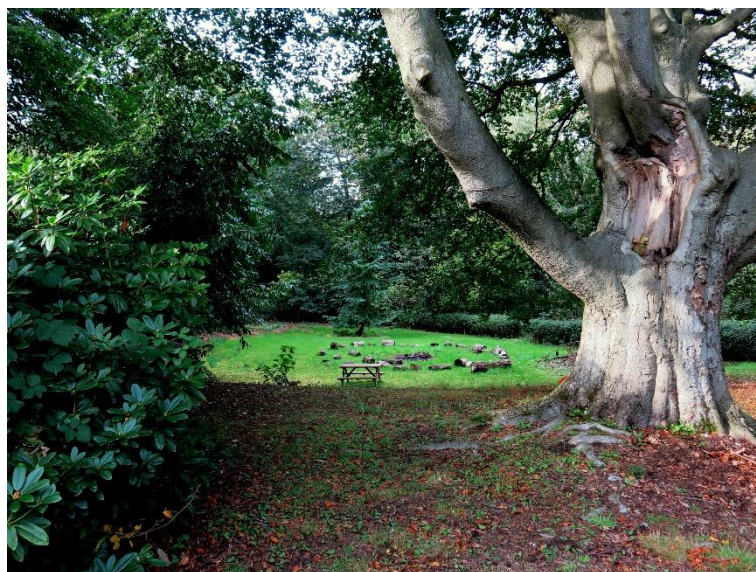
**We are very pleased to have the Revd. Alex Clare-Young with us. Alex is a minister of the United Reformed Church and a member of the Iona Community. Alex is passionate about people and uses their experience as a transmasculine person to advocate for trans and non-conforming people and to help communities to process change. Alex is currently undertaking doctoral research exploring theology with trans/non-conforming people. He is currently involved in the Church of England Living in Love and Faith process**

**Purley Chase Centre is an extended and refurbished retreat centre in the heart of Warwickshire, set in 7 acres of beautiful grounds enhanced by some spectacular specimen trees. As ever there will be plenty of time for fun and relaxation and opportunities to visit nearby places of interest and to make new friends and meet old.**

**You will find details of the programme and the booking form on the attached documents. Please read these carefully, including since the Covid 19 crisis is not over and social distancing requirements will continue to apply**

**We look forward very much to meeting you at the event.**

**The meeting is for Sibyls members and invitees only... but you can always join the Sibyls! To enquire about joining email [enquiries@sibyls.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sibyls.co.uk)**



**The draft programme, directions and the booking form are on the following pages**

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**THE CENTRE IS RE-OPENING IN SEPTEMBER AND WE NOW EXPECT THIS WEEKEND TO GO AHEAD**

**PLEASE SEE THE BOOKING FORM FOR PAYMENT DETAILS. YOU WILL NOT BE CHARGED IF THE PURLEY CENTRE HAS TO CANCEL THE EVENT**

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE BOOKING FORM BEFORE THE 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST.**

**PLEASE BOOK EARLY SINCE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS MIGHT LIMIT THE NUMBERS ATTENDING, AND WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT YOUR BOOKING IF YOU REGISTER AT A LATER DATE**

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME FOR THE SIBYLS WEEKEND**

**FRIDAY**

People may arrive any time after 3pm. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits and cakes are available all the time all weekend. (YW to welcome)

7 p.m. Buffet dinner. There is a bar for people to buy their own drinks at reasonable prices. The centre only takes cash & cheques but not cards.

8.30 p.m. Time for sharing and news from our churches/denominations:( YW)

10 p.m. Compline (DH)

**SATURDAY**

8 a.m. Breakfast

9.30 a.m. Rev. Alex-Clare-Young (chair YW)

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**Reconciliation within the Churches**

This session may focus on how the churches include trans people, not specifically in the context of the Church of England and its Living in Love and Faith Process, but with all denominations in mind.

11 a.m. - Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits and cakes

11.30 a.m. Rev. Alex-Clare-Young: (chair YW)

## Reconciliation with the World

How do we share this reconciliation with the world? Personal and local stories could be shared

1 p.m. Lunch

2 p.m. Free afternoon. Potential options include:

- Visit the Battlefield Line [www.battlefieldline.co.uk](http://www.battlefieldline.co.uk) Leicestershire, Shackerstone, CV13 6NW. There are trains at 3pm & 4.15pm going from Shackerstone to Shenton and back. This is 12 ½ miles from the Centre
- Visit the Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre [www.bosworthbattlefield.org.uk](http://www.bosworthbattlefield.org.uk), CV13 0AD. This is 10 miles from the centre. **2.00 pm to 3.30 pm** Join one of their experienced Guides for an informative 2 km guided walk exploring the Battle of Bosworth, the death of King Richard III and the unlikely victory of Henry Tudor.
- Stroll in the beautiful grounds of the centre or stride out further afield to the nearby Hartshill Hayes Country Park, [www.countryparks.warwickshire.gov.uk/country-parks/hartshill-hayes-country-park](http://www.countryparks.warwickshire.gov.uk/country-parks/hartshill-hayes-country-park) It's a 30 min walk or a 6 min drive to the Country Park.
- Twycross zoo.
- Just relax in the warm, comfortable centre.

Refreshments are available any time people would like them.

6.30 p.m. Gala Dinner – a great opportunity for everyone to dress up.

8 p.m. Entertainments. Dancing etc

10 p.m. Compline (SG)

### SUNDAY

8 a.m. Breakfast

9.30 a.m. Sibyls Together (chair YW)

11 a.m. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits and cakes

11.30 a.m. Service with Holy Communion in the Chapel led by Rev. Diana Johnson

12.30 p.m. Group photo

1 p.m. Sunday lunch

2 / 2.30 p.m. Leave to go home

## Directions to Purley Chase Centre

Purley is located on Purley Chase Lane, which runs between the villages of Mancetter and Ridge Lane. Despite its rural position, the Centre is easily accessed by road and rail.

Postal Address - Purley Chase Centre, Purley Chase Lane, Mancetter, Atherstone, Warwicks, CV9 2RQ.  
Tel: 01827 712370

Email: [enquiries@purleychasecentre.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@purleychasecentre.org.uk)

Manager: Rachel Gilsenan



**By car** – The centre is just over 2 miles south of the A5 near Atherstone. It can be approached from all points of the compass via the motorway network, using M1, M6, M42 or M69 for instance. If travelling along the A5 from the East then just before Atherstone, take the B4111 towards Mancetter. If you are travelling along the A5 from the West, go past Atherstone on the dual carriageway and when you reach the large roundabout at the end, take the right exit towards Mancetter B4111. After about a quarter of a mile on B4111, just past the church, take a right turn signed Ridge Lane. Over the traffic light controlled bridge, follow the road round to the right and up through the trees, Purley Chase Centre is about a quarter of a mile further on, on the right.

**By rail** – The nearest main line railway station is at Nuneaton, about 6 miles away. Nuneaton is a stop on the high-speed main line between London and Lancashire. Atherstone Taxis (01827 712427) charge £17. Triple A Taxis (01827 713637) charge £14/£15. Slower trains go through Atherstone station which is about three miles away from Purley Chase Centre. This is also the Euston Crewe line. Atherstone Taxis charge £10 to £12 and Triple A Taxis charge £8/£9. Both Nuneaton and Atherstone are served by various bus and coach services.

Lifts can also be arranged for people arriving at either Nuneaton or Atherstone. Call Pauline on 07581553357.

For further information please email [sibylslink@gmail.com](mailto:sibylslink@gmail.com)

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Your name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post code \_\_\_\_\_

**Accommodation – please tick one option:** (full-board is Friday dinner until Sunday lunch)

**En-suite:** Double room  Twin room  Single room  £137 full-board per person

Adapted facilities with wet room  £137 full board per person

Name of other occupant in room you are willing to share with

\_\_\_\_\_.

**Standard dormitory** accommodation with shared bathroom  £108 full board per person

(There are 3 double rooms and 2 adapted room with wet facilities)

Day Rate, No Accommodation but with Lunch & Dinner  £37 per person per day

Tell us if you want breakfast as well. Please state the number of people & which days

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**Dietary requirements** \_\_\_\_\_

**Any allergies or special needs?** \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need help with transport to The Purley Chase Centre? \_\_\_\_\_

Can you offer a lift to someone? \_\_\_\_\_

**Because of the present uncertainties we ask you to pay by cheque. No cheques will be cashed either before the event or before we are completely certain the event is going ahead. If it does not, the cheques will be destroyed. If you are unable to pay by cheque, please return the booking form as soon as possible in any case and let us know that you wish to pay by electronic bank transfer by ticking the box below. We will then send you details about this in due course**

I enclose a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_ in payment for the above event. Cheques should be made payable to Mr P.A. Raftery – The Sibyls

I wish to pay by electronic bank transfer.

**Please send the completed booking form and your payment to Dr S. Gilchrist, 8 Greenways Drive, Maidenhead, Berks, SL6 5DU**