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WWW.CLAYCOURSES.ORG.UK**'Invisibility, Terror, and Liberation
– the Bible in Feminist Perspective'**

A study day for preachers hosted by Leeds North East Methodist Circuit.

Venue: **Chapel Allerton Methodist Church, Town Street, Leeds, LS7 4NB**Date: **8 November 9.30** (for 10.00 start) **to 15.30** Fee: **Free** (drinks provided – bring lunch)

Leader: Revd Jane Craske

Details: Angela Britton 0113 266 3309 or circuitoffice@leedsnethodist.org.uk**Called to Listen**

A Christian Listener Advanced Course for those who have already completed learning to listen.

Venue: **Wydale Hall, Brompton-by-Sawdon, nr. Scarborough**Dates: **14-16 November & 28-30 November** (both weekends to start 16.00 Friday, end 16.00 Sunday)Fee: **Full cost £250** (subsidies available)

Leader: Pat Dale

Details: Revd Phil White 01723 361469 or phil_07@btinternet.com**Safe and Sound (Child Protection Level II)**

Level II training that allows a more advanced look at contemporary issues in the safeguarding of children.

Venue: **Ripon and Leeds Diocesan Office, St Mary's Street, Leeds LS9 7DP**Date: **15 November 10.00 to 13.00**Fee: **Free**

Leaders: Sue Booth and Liz Williams

Details: Liz Williams 0113 200 0556 or Lizw@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk**The Healing Journey: A Day for Pastoral Carers**

This day will look at some of the familiar themes and images of pastoral care, from the perspective of the carer and cared-for, in an attempt to refocus and support those committed to pastoral ministry. The day will include input, group work and time for reflection.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**Date: **22 November 10.00 to 15.30**Fee: **£15** (inc. lunch)

Leaders: Revd Martin Parrott, Chaplain and Revd Martin Winbolt-Lewis

Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk**SIFTing the Infancy Narratives**

This afternoon study session will look at the infancy narratives through the lens of psychological type, drawing on the work of Francis and Atkins who have developed the SIFT (sensing, intuition, feeling, thinking) approach to preaching.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**Date: **27 November 14.00 to 17.30**Fee: **£10** (inc. tea and cake)

Leader: Revd Pat Holmes

Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk**Safe and Sound (Child Protection Level I)**

The essential Safeguarding Foundation Course for Children's Workers.

Venue: **Ripon and Leeds Diocesan Office, St Mary's Street, Leeds LS9 7DP**Date: **29 November 10.00 to 12.30**Fee: **Free**

Leaders: Sue Booth, Viv Morrissey and Hilary Murden

Details: Kath Hinchcliffe 0113 200 0558 or kathh@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

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Multigenerational Worship

A day looking the practice and principles of worship for all ages.

Venue: **TBC (in the N Barnsley/S Wakefield Area)** **BOOKING ABSOLUTLEY ESSENTIAL**Date: **31 January**Fee: **Free**Details: Ann Hall 01924 371802 or ann.hall@wakefield.anglican.org**Towards a Theology of Conflict**

A study session for preachers and others hosted by Harrogate School of Theology.

Venue: **Trinity Methodist Church, Trinity Road, Harrogate, HG2 9AU**Date: **7 February 09.45 to 12.00**Fee: **£2** (inc. refreshment)

Leader: Revd David Barker, Chaplain to Ashville College

Details: Mervyn Willshaw 01423 561943 or mervynjoy@yahoo.co.uk**Images of Christ in Art**

Jesus Christ is the second most painted subject in art. This is an opportunity to explore some of the more memorable images as an aid to reflective prayer. You are welcome to bring a copy of your own favourite image.

Venue: **Quiet Garden Trust Westfield Farm, Sheriff Hutton, York YO60 6QQ**Date: **7 February 10.00 to 15.30**Fee: **£10** (drinks provided – bring lunch)

Leader: Kit Dollard

Details: Christian Community Resources, Ampleforth 01439 787070 or kit@ccrcharity.org.uk**Art, Light and Prayer**

From his own artistic practice as a Christian painter of 'prayer paintings', Matthew Askey will explore meanings of light and the place of art today in prayer and worship both for the church as a whole and for us as individuals.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**Date: **28 February 10.00 to 15.30**Fee: **£15** (inc. lunch)

Leader: Matthew Askey

Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk**Theological Reading Day:****'Thinking Together About the Atonement'**An open discussion on the saving work of Christ, centred on Alan Spence's book *'The promise of peace: a unified theory of the atonement'*, (T & T Clark, 2006). Please purchase and read the book prior to the day, (144pp, RRP £22.99, paperback)..Venue: **The Mirfield Centre****BOOKING ABSOLUTLEY ESSENTIAL**Date: **4 March 9.30 to 16.30**Fee: **£25*** (inc. lunch & refreshments) bookings with £10 deposit to Jim Coleman by 31 Jan 09

Leader: Revd Dr Alan Spence, author and URC minister in Ealing

Details: Jim Coleman 0113 289 8490 or training.yorkshire@dial.pipex.com**'How Fair is Fair Trade?'**

This is an opportunity to find out more about what is behind the Fairtrade label including some practical 'myth busting'. The day will provide information and help with creating contacts in order to devise a fair trade action plan for the local community.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**Date: **7 March 10.30 to 15.30**Fee: **£15** (inc. lunch made using fairly traded produce)

Leader: Barbara Crowther, The Fairtrade Foundation

Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk**Everybody's Welcome – The Ministry of Welcome**

A two-hour workshop to experience a range of welcoming ideas and family friendly resources for church communities.

Fee: **£5** per person or **£30** for a church group

Leader: Breda Theakston and Linda Pennington

Details: Linda Pennington on 0113 261 8043 or linda.pennington@hinsley-hall.co.uk**Children's Liturgy of the Word**

This is a two-hour workshop that explores the principles and essential elements of Children's Liturgy of the Word and highlights available resources.

Fee: **£5** per person or **£30** per church groupDetails: Linda Pennington on 0113 261 8043 or linda.pennington@hinsley-hall.co.uk

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Children & Youth Leader Pathway – Induction Module

The Children & Youth Leader Course is a nine module course for those working with children and young people. People are welcome to come to particular modules or to join the whole course; this induction module is a two evening course.

Venue: **St Martin's, Brighouse**
Dates: **2 & 9 September 19.00 to 21.00** Fee: **Free**
Details: Ann Hall 01924 371802 or ann.hall@wakefield.anglican.org

Quiet Days: Stop... Look... listen...

An opportunity: peace, space and time out for reflection in a beautiful quiet garden & barn setting. Structured day to allow for personal prayer and time with others. Seasonal scripture sits gently at the heart of these days.

Venue: **Quiet Garden Trust Westfield Farm, Sheriff Hutton, York YO60 6QQ**
Date: **17 September 10.00 to 15.30** Fee: **£10** (drinks provided – bring lunch)
Date: **8 October 10.00 to 15.30** Fee: **£10** (drinks provided – bring lunch)
Leader: **Caroline Dollard**
Details: Christian Community Resources, Ampleforth 01439 787070 or caro@ccrcharity.org.uk

Godly Play Introduction Day

A chance to experience Godly Play for yourself, reflect on the experience and discuss ways in which it can be used – in church, in schools and beyond.

Venue: **St Wilfred's House, Brayton Church, Doncaster Rd, Brayton, Selby YO8 9HE**
Date: **20 September 10.00 to 15.00** Fee: **£5** (payable on the day)
Leaders: **Revd Sue Nightingale** **BOOKING ABSOLUTLEY ESSENTIAL**
Details: Nigel Chapman nigel.chapman@yorkdiocese.org
Bookings: Joan Howden 01757 700942 or jandhowden@talktalk.net

Core Skills for Children's Work

Honing skills and exploring new approaches to working with children in the church.

Venue: **Trinity Methodist Church, Commercial Street, Norton**
Dates: **20 & 27 September, 11 October, 1, 8, 22 & 29 November**
Time: **10.00 to 12.30** Fee: **Free** (donations towards costs)
Leader: **Janette Biltcliffe and Tracie Bylo Hitching**
Details: Tracie Bylo Hitching 07910 846501 or bylohitching@yahoo.co.uk

'Standing on Holy Ground'

These evening events look at good practice in the ministry of administering the Eucharist; as well as giving space to consider and reflect on God's calling to us to share in his Kingdom and to exercise ministry in his name.

Venue: **Aldborough Village Hall, Aldborough** Date: **21 September**
Venue: **Hinsley Hall, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds** Date: **9 November**
Time: **16.45 to 20.30** Fee: **£10** (to include supper)
Leaders: **Members of the Diocese of Ripon & Leeds Worship Committee**
Details: Liz Williams 0113 200 0556 or Lizw@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

'How can we pray?'

A series of four fortnightly evenings, when we will explore at each evening two different facets and styles of prayer.

Venue: **Allhallowgate Methodist Church, Allhallowgate, Ripon**
Dates: **23 September, 7 & 21 October and 4 November**
Time: **19.30 to 21.30** Fee: **£1.50** per session, **£5** for all four
Leaders: **Lay and Ordained Prayer Leaders from Anglican, Methodist & Catholic Churches**
Details: Liz Williams 0113 200 0556 or Lizw@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

'Pastoral Care for the Bereaved and Pastoral Needs of Older people'

A day course considering two crucial issues in the world of pastoral care.

Venue: **St Andrew's Methodist Church, Huddersfield Road, Halifax**
Date: **27 September 09.30 to 15.15** Fee: **Free** (donation towards costs and lunch)
Leaders: **Joyce Jones and Albert Jewell**
Details: Stella Christie 01422 300843 or stella@properdog.co.uk

Personalities in Prayer: A Quiet Day with a Difference

Our prayer is shaped both by the character of the God to whom we pray and also by our own psychological type preferences. Using Jung's psychological type theory this 'quiet day' will provide opportunities to experience God in a variety of ways.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**
Date: **27 September 10.00 to 15.30** Fee: **£15** (inc. lunch)
Leader: **Revd Pat Holmes**
Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk

Story Treasure

A creative evening for Children's Workers and leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Venue: **Holy Trinity, Ripon** Date: **29 September**
Venue: **West Wakefield Methodist Church** Date: **1 October**
Venue: **Christ Church, Halton** Date: **6 October**
Venue: **Hinsley Hall, Leeds** Date: **8 October**
Venue: **To be confirmed** Date: **15 October**
Time: **19:15 to 21:30** Fee: **£5** per session (inc. resource pack & refreshments)
Leaders: **Richard Burge, Clare MacLaren, Mick Maskell, Linda Pennington**
Details: Kath Hinchcliffe 0113 200 0558 or kathh@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

'Ecclesiastical Mermaids: Tempress or Christ-figure?'

A re-assessment of the mermaid, figure of myth and legend, as a Christian icon for our time. A lecture and discussion for preachers and others, hosted by Harrogate School of Theology.

Venue: **Trinity Methodist Church, Trinity Road, Harrogate, HG2 9AU**
Date: **4 October 09.45 to 12.00** Fee: **£2** (inc. refreshment)
Leader: **Revd Dr Liz Smith, Chair of Leeds Methodist District**
Details: Mervyn Willshaw 01423 561943 or mervynjoy@yahoo.co.uk

Mission Shaped Ministry: Fresh Expressions - Changing Church for a Changing World

This six week course aims to introduce people to some of the key issues that the Church must grapple with if it wishes to take seriously mission in the 21st century. Whilst it stands alone it is also designed to prepare people for the year long Mission Shaped Ministry course.

Venue: **St Cuthbert's Church, Wrose, Bradford**
Dates: **16, 23, 30 October, 6, 13, 20 November**
Time: **19.30 to 21.30** Fee: **Free**
Leader: **Revd Paul Walker, Bradford Diocesan Mission Adviser**
Details: Revd Paul Walker 01274-611631 or paul.walker@bradford.anglican.org

The 'I Am' Sayings of Jesus: Modelling the Church on the Life of God

Clare Amos is a member of the international team who wrote the Bible studies on the Gospel of John for the Lambeth Conference. She will use material based on these Bible studies to explore the relevance of the themes of the Lambeth Conference for parishes and people.

Venue: **The Mirfield Centre**
Date: **16 October 14.00 to 17.30** Fee: **£10** (inc. tea and cake)
Leader: **Clare Amos, Director of Theological Studies, Anglican Communion**
Details: The Mirfield Centre 01924 481920 or www.mirfieldcentre.org.uk

Preparing to preach from the lectionary

A study day for preachers throwing light on aspects of the coming year's lectionary, hosted by Otley and Aireborough Methodist Circuit.

Venue: **Yeadon Methodist Church, Chapel Hill, Yeadon, Leeds LS19 7RG**
Date: **18 October 10.00 to 16.00** Fee: **Free** (inc. lunch – donations invited)
Leader: **Revd Dr Neil Richardson, ex President of Methodist Conference**
Details: Pauline Tate 0113 219 5130 or p.tate7@ntlworld.com

A Fresh look at the Healing Ministry

A training opportunity for anyone interested in developing a healing ministry.

Venue: **St Olaves Church Hall, Marygate, York**
Date: **18 October 10.30 to 15.00** (programme until 13.00, service at 14.00)
Fee: **£5** (Bring your own lunch if staying for service)
Leaders: **York Diocesan Healing Advisory Group**
Details: Revd Elaine Bielby 01482 666677 or ebielby@ebileby.karoo.co.uk

The Bible

Part of the Children and Youth Leader Pathway, but ideal for anyone who wishes to get an overview of the whole Bible. A three evening course.

Venue: **West Bretton Church, Wakefield**
Dates: **3, 12 & 17 November 19.00 to 21.00** Fee: **Free**
Details: Ann Hall 01924 371802 or ann.hall@wakefield.anglican.org

The Bible and Lay People

A study session for Preachers and Readers on the findings of research into how Christians use the Bible. **BOOKING ABSOLUTLEY ESSENTIAL**

Venue: **Trinity Methodist Church, Monkgate, York**
Date: **3 November 19.15 to 21.30** Fee: **Free** (donations invited)
Leader: **Revd Dr Andrew Village**
Details: Revd David Godfrey 01904 623881 or david.godfrey33@ntlworld.com

'Good Grief' – leading funerals

A training event, for those licensed to take funerals where content, context and delivery will all be addressed.

Venue: **St Thomas à Becket, Hampsthwaite, Harrogate**
Date: **4 November 09.30 to 12.30** Fee: **Free**
Leaders: **Members of the Diocese of Ripon & Leeds Worship Committee**
Details: Liz Williams 0113 200 0556 or Lizw@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

Reading Scripture and Leading Intercessions

Such leading of worship is a vital ministry for lay people. Share in this training to learn, and practice, how to express the scriptures and yourself well!

Venue: **St Matthias, Burley, Leeds**
Date: **8 November 09.30 to 12.30** Fee: **£10** per parish
Leaders: **Members of the Diocese of Ripon & Leeds Worship Committee**
Details: Liz Williams 0113 200 0556 or Lizw@riponleeds-diocese.org.uk

Music in Worship

Possibilities and Opportunities for worship and music. Organised by the RSCM and York Diocesan Worship and Music Group.

Venue: **To be confirmed (in York)**
Date: **8 November 10.00 to 16.00** Fee: **Free**
Leader: **Anne Harrison**
Details: Revd Jeremy Fletcher 01904 624965 or precentor@yorkminster.org

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