



Programme 2025



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The spiritual basis of testimony

with Harvey Gillman

25-27 July

Quakers often talk of 'the testimonies' as a set of progressive values, but what do we truly mean by spirituality? This weekend will explore the origins and development of the relationship between answering that of God in all and witnessing in the world. Expect a rich time of sharing experiences and making meaningful connections.

Price: £320 (deposit £160)



Experiencing Shakespeare

with John Lampen

25-29 August

Plays: *Two Gentlemen of Verona*, *The Winter's Tale*

On this course we will see one of Shakespeare's very first plays and one of his last at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. They give us a chance to reflect on some of the lifelong preoccupations which appear in different guises throughout his career: love and friendship, masculine and feminine traits, betrayal and forgiveness. The two plays, which are each rarely performed, also raise interesting issues about his storytelling skills, which we shall explore together. This will be John's final 'Shakespeare' course.

Price: £500 (deposit £250)

Includes accommodation, meals, refreshments, tickets to the plays and coach travel to and from the theatres.



Meeting needs, naming gifts, and sharing vulnerabilities:

reflecting on spiritual community

with Alex Wildwood, supported by Judy Roles

28-30 November

Our winter retreat will explore how spiritual gifts and universal human needs can hold a diverse spiritual community together as we practice group discernment. Through stimulating input, reflective solitude and small group sharing, this is a precious opportunity to meet face to face and enjoy Charney Manor's historic atmosphere and warm hospitality.

Price: £320 (deposit £160)

Full course details and programme can be provided on request.

Deposits are required upon booking, with balances due three weeks before the event.



Bed and breakfast

Escape the hustle and bustle of city life and enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the countryside with a stay at Charney Manor, set in three acres of peaceful gardens. We offer comfortable en-suite accommodation with tea- and coffee-making facilities, TV, hairdryer and a continental breakfast.

Single: £75 per room per night

Twin/double: £80 per room per night

Triple/family room: £90 per room per night

Self-catering: The Gilletts

This charming detached cottage in the grounds of Charney Manor provides a quiet space for rest and relaxation. It is available for use on a self-catering basis by families and groups of up to eight people.

The cottage consists of five bedrooms (one twin, two twin/double and two singles), a living room with TV and DVD player, games and books. There is a separate dining room, fully equipped kitchen with a dishwasher, washer/dryer, shower room, bathroom and downstairs toilet. A lovely outdoor seating area overlooks our sheep paddock.



Private events

Charney Manor is the perfect location to host any event, from away days to family celebrations; from our historical Solar and dining room to our more modern barn, we've got the facilities to suit your small-and-intimate or medium-sized event.

For further information, prices and availability please visit our website at www.charneymanor.com, or alternatively contact Sophie Hall on **01235 868206**, or email on admin@charneymanor.com.



Booking

To check availability and to request the specific booking form, call us on 01235 868206, or visit our website. To secure a place, we ask for a non-refundable deposit and completed booking form.

For a provisional booking, please contact the office: the booking will be confirmed on receipt of your deposit and booking form.

Payment

We accept credit cards, debit cards and bank transfers. Please contact the office to make a payment or ask for bank details.

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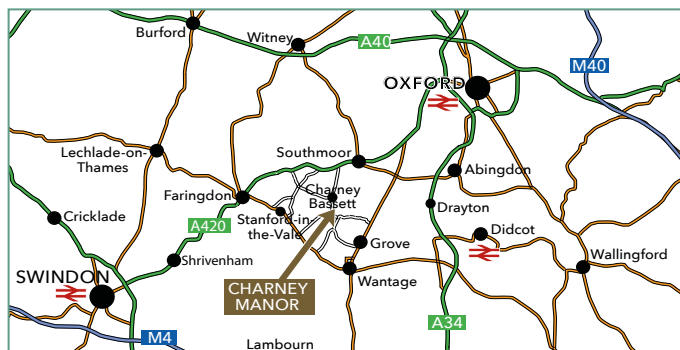
Finance and Office Administrator: Sophie Hall.

Please contact us for further information: admin@charneymanor.com.

Charney Manor is used by a wide variety of organisations such as businesses, educators, charities and faith groups, who meet for conferences and training; by musicians, artists and writers, who seek a peaceful and inspiring place to work together; and by people involved in conflict resolution and international affairs, who need a quiet and private venue in which to talk.

To check rates and availability, please telephone or email

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Charney Manor is easily accessible by car from the M40 and the M4. It is 12 miles from Oxford and from Didcot railway stations. There are bus services from Oxford to Southmoor or Wantage. Taxis can be arranged to pick up from these destinations.

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