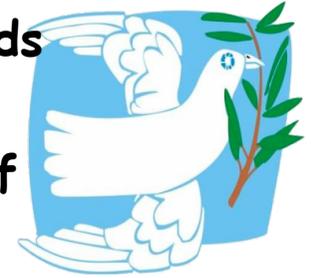




Association of Friends of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf



Spring Gathering
24 April – 26 April 2017
Launde Abbey

Guest Speaker: The Venerable
Christopher Fatcher
Archdeacon of Exeter

Travelling to Launde Abbey

By car: Launde Abbey is 14 miles east of Leicester and is signposted in East Norton (just off the A47). Follow signs for Loddington, turning right at the eventual T junction in Loddington. Follow the road round and continue straight and in about one mile cross the cattle grid, where you will see Launde Abbey at the bottom of the hill on the right.

Launde is also easily accessible from the A1, through Oakham, (follow the signs to the railway station). Go over the level crossing, turning left, signposted Leicester. Take the second turning on the left, signposted Leicester and Braunston and continue through Braunston village. In about one mile turn left shortly after the Withcote sign, signposted Launde. Cross two cattle grids and you will see Launde Abbey on the left. The postcode is LE7 9XB but as this is a very wide postcode area, some sat navs get the precise location wrong, so it may be necessary to key in the location of "Launde Abbey" as well.

By train: Oakham station is about 10 minutes away and trains stop there from Birmingham, Leicester, Peterborough or Stansted, however, there is a limited service in the evening.

It is also possible to travel to Market Harborough or Leicester direct from London St Pancras, although the taxi journey is longer and more expensive. Trains also run to Peterborough from the north of England and Scotland and London Kings Cross, with links to Oakham as above. If you are planning on travelling by train please indicate arrival time on your booking form and we will facilitate booking of taxis/collection.

The Spring Gathering of the Friends of Cyprus and the Gulf will be held again at Launde Abbey near Oakham in Leicestershire. Following the success of our previous visits last we hope that those who were not able to attend will join us this time. If we have sufficient participants we can have exclusive use of the Abbey. The two-night reunion will provide those attending with an opportunity for worship, bible study, talks and plenty of time for fellowship.

This is an opportunity for Friends to come together to meet old friends, to make new ones and to share news, experiences and ideas. There will also be the chance to hear what is going on in the Diocese.

Launde Abbey is the residential Retreat House and Conference Centre serving the Dioceses of Leicester and Peterborough. It is set in 450 acres of beautiful parkland on the borders of Leicestershire and Rutland, with extensive cultivated gardens and a 12th Century Chapel.

Friends Spring Gathering 2018

Venue Launde Abbey, East Norton,
Leicestershire LE7 9XB

Arrival Teatime Tuesday 24 April 2018

Departure After Breakfast Thursday 26 April 2018

Cost £185 per person Full Board

If you wish to attend for only part of the time please let me know and I can advise you of the cost.

Booking Please complete the form and send with your deposit of £50 per person by 30 December 2017.

If you wish to pay the full amount of £185 per person when you book this would considerably reduce administrative costs.

Please return the completed form and cheque to:

Sally Milner
123 Barnett Wood Lane
Ashted
Surrey
KT21 2LR

I/we would like to attend the 2018 Friends Spring Gathering at Launde Abbey, East Norton, Leicestershire LE7 9XB

Name

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Number of People

Deposit £50 per person by 30 December 2017
Balance £135 per person by 28 February 2018
Total fee £185 per person

Amount enclosed £

Signature

Date

Please make cheques payable to:

The Association of Friends of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf.

If you would like to be collected from Oakham Station please give time of train arrival and where you are travelling from. Please mention any special requests regarding dietary requirements or room allocation: