

Dear All,

Please find the details of the Benefice Weekend at Viney Hill – all are welcome.

Its time to book your place for the Viney Hill Social, activities and camping weekend,

16 - 18th July 2021 for St Mary's and benefice companions.

There are 4 pre-erected permanent (empty) tents and 1 log cabin currently available for this weekend! So get your requests in quickly!

Set in the idyllic Forest of Dean, near Lydney, at the Christian Adventure Centre.

Come for the day on Saturday or camp for the weekend in pre-erected tents.

We are able to offer a selection of coached activities for all ages or just come and enjoy the fellowship.

Please find attached the application forms for both the weekend or the Saturday. please return your completed form to **Joan Deveney by Tuesday 18th May** to book your slot.

I also attach *Viney Hill's "Book with Confidence" Covid Guarantee, should it be needed.*

The details:

- **Pre erected tents!** Viney Hill in total has 8 permanent tents (empty) and two log cabins for us to use and we are able to bring others belonging to members of the congregation. Sleeping bags, mats and other personal equipment need to be provided.
- The weekend starts after 5pm on the **Friday** and includes a buffet style supper from about 7.30pm and finishes after Sunday lunch in the afternoon.
- We would hope to be joined by Day Visitors from St. Mary's during **Saturday**.
- Saturday's confirmed and professionally coached **activities** are Saturday morning: Low ropes and Archery , Saturday afternoon Archery and Rafting Building (off site). These activities are only available to people 8 years and over. Due to limited places we ask you to confirm and pay for rafting when booking the event.
- Other activities, of a "**Messy Church Variety**", would be available to those under 8s and are **free of charge**. Although all ages are able to join in!
- If the weather allows we have a **campfire** in the evening and some informal self entertainment.
- **Wide games**, such as cricket and rounders can take place on site. Table tennis, badminton and tennis are also available during the weekend. At some point, we also hope to explore the woods on **bikes** (so bring yours if space allows).
- There will be an open air service on **Sunday** morning. Compline is also available at the end of each day, to those who wish to wind down quietly before bed.
- We depart, by 3pm, after lunch on Sunday, following lunch and tidy up.

Here are the confirmed prices for 2021:

All food provision is provided in this price and we take turns in preparing meals and clearing up and being Covid safe.

Weekend campers:

Adults and school children 8 years and over: £30 camping plus £20 food =£50 per weekend

School children under 8 years: £30 camping plus £10 food - £40 per weekend

Pre-School children: £15 camping plus £10 food =£25 per weekend

Babies 0 – 1 year: Free

Saturday Day Trippers:

Adults and school children 8 years and over: £16 (to include lunch, afternoon tea and dinner)

School children under 8 years and pre-school: £11 (to include lunch, afternoon tea and dinner).

Cost per activity:

Saturday morning: Low ropes and Archery £15 (on site). This is a split session suitable for children.

Saturday afternoon: On site activity - Archery: £15 per person (Paid on site during the weekend) .

Off site activity - Rafting, £17 per person (Pre-paid with your application form)

To confirm your place, please return the attached booking form via email or post to Joan Deveney, 85 Shepherds Leaze, Wotton-under-Edge, GL12 7LJ; or email joandeveney@btinternet.com.

Please enclose a cheque (made out to Wotton-under-Edge PCC) or send a bank payment using the reference VH(main contacts name) to NatWest Bank; Sort Code 55-61-38; Account Number 03807010; Payable to Wotton-under-Edge PCC.

We are optimistic for the event to go ahead, however, should the Covid situation not allow it, Viney Hill have a full Coronavirus "Book with Confidence" Guarantee that allows for a full refund or rebooking for a future date or change to an activity day. Please see attached.

Queries:

We wish everyone who wants to come should be able to, so if you have any payment queries please contact Joan Deveney (in confidence) on 01453 844370.

Any other questions:

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Further detailed information will be sent with a receipt.

Further information on Viney Hill can be found on <https://www.vineyhilladventure.org/>