

MONTHLY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET OCTOBER 2017
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ST. BRENDAN'S SIXTH FORM COLLEGE Open Days as follows:

Thursday 19 th October 2017	5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Wednesday 15 th November 2017	5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Thursday 8 th February 2018	5.00 pm to 8.00 pm

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS ORGANISATION During the weekend 20 – 22 October 2017 young Catholic Adults will be running at Retreat at Douai Abbey, Reading, Berkshire. The weekend will be full board. There will be Marian Processions, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Rosaries and socials. Prices start from £18.50 pp per night. For further information :

<http://www.youngyoungcatholicadults.co.uk>

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND The Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey, Reading, Berkshire invite men aged 18-40 to a weekend exploring Monastic Experience Initiative. The date is Friday 27th October to Sunday 29th October 2017. In other traditions, such as Buddhism and Hinduism, people often spend a fixed period of time in a monastery as part of their spiritual formation before returning to their lives in the world. The programme makes this possible for men in the Roman Catholic tradition. The weekend will be an opportunity to find out more about the Programme, to meet with and pray alongside the monks, and to explore the possibility of participating in the Monastic Experience Programme in 2018. Please contact Fr. Gabriel Wilson OSB : Gabriel@douaiabbey.org.uk Or telephone: 0118 971 5310.

DOWNSIDE ABBEY LECTURES "Scholar Monks" – Friday 27th October. Cost £25 to include lunch and Monastery tour. : Time 9.30 am to 4 pm
Visit www.downside.co.uk Tel: 01761 235 323 to book

NEWS FROM AMMERDOWN RETREAT CENTRE, RADSTOCK BA3 5SW

October

24 – 26 October Understanding Islam with Dr Chris Hewer Chris writes: *"A good understanding of Islam is a must in Britain today, where Muslims are by far the biggest religious group after British Christians. In many of our major towns and cities, they make up a substantial minority of the population. This should encourage us all to get to know Islam and Muslims better and to explore ways of building bridges of mutual respect and understanding – especially those among us involved with Muslims as neighbours, workplace acquaintances, or clients in the caring professions.* For more information or to book a place go to <http://ammerdown.org/Understanding-Islam-2017> or ring 01761 433709

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT WEEKEND Will take place from Friday 1st December to Sunday 3rd December 2017 at Downside Abbey. This is a joint venture between Clifton and Downside. The weekend will include talks on vocation, single life, marriage, consecrated life and priesthood. Participants are welcome to stay at Downside or they can just come for the day. The cost is £25 full board. The weekend is advertised for "young Catholic adults" but anyone who may be interested is welcome to come along. Participants must be over 18.

CLIFTON INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

THE ART OF DYING WELL *"The Art of Dying Well"* is a new website that offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life. For further information : www.artofdyingwell.org or phone 020 7630 8220.

THE VIANNEY GROUP

The Vianney Group is a discernment group for men who want to explore more deeply a call to the priesthood alongside other likeminded men. It is named after St. John Vianney, the patron saint of priests. Meetings are always on Tuesdays and take place at St. Bernadette's Church, 731 Wells Road, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 9HU from 7.15 pm to 9.15 pm.

For further information contact Fr. Matt Anscombe at vocations@cliftdiocese.com

There are cards in the freestanding folder on the table.

RETREAT DAYS FOR CATECHISTS AND YOUTH LEADERS Youth Leaders, Catechists, teachers, clergy and all interested in Youth Ministry are invited to take time to explore, reflect and pray on : Saturday 20th January 2018 at Brownhill Monastery, Stroud. Time: 10 am – 4 pm. Lunch provided cost £20 per person: Booking **ESSENTIAL** youth@cliftdiocese.com

CHRISTIANS IN SCIENCE The Bristol branch of "Christians in Science" is pleased to present a talk by Professor Sir Colin Humphries. Professor Humphries will speak on "Science and the Historicity of the Bible" at Tyndale Baptist Church, 139 Whiteladies Road, Clifton, Bristol BS8 2NR. Doors will open at 7.00 pm for free homemade cake and tea before the hour long talk which will start at 7.30 pm and will be followed by an extended question time. There is free admission, although donations of £4 are welcome, to help cover costs. For additional information please visit: www.cis.org.uk

HOPE BRISTOL 2018 Is a citywide opportunity to reach out and show God's love in practical ways. This five-day mission during Easter, Tuesday 3rd to Saturday 7th April 2018 will be held in partnership with national organisations Soul Survivor and Hope, as well as local churches and organisations.

As part of the launch of this initiative Crofts End Church in St. George is pleased to be hosting a **Hope Bristol Prayer Breakfast** for East Bristol on **Saturday 21st October AT 9.30 AM**. Local leaders, youth leaders and workers are invited to join them to pray together and hear more details and information about the vision from **Home Bristol Missions Co-ordinator Sam Cook**.

The event is free of charge but for catering numbers please let them know how many breakfast places are required at : www.croftsend.org/hopebristol2018