

LAUNDE ABBEY SOLIHULL PARISH AWAY WEEKEND (5-7 June 2026) – DRAFT PROGRAM

Times	Practicalities	Sessions	Worship	Optional Activity 1	Optional Activity 2	Optional Activity 3
Friday						
From 3pm	Arrivals and room allocation					
6.30pm	Dinner					
	Housekeeping (short talk from Launde staff)					
7.30pm		1. Introductions – <i>The blessings in store</i> – NP, CG & RT (Stables Conference Room)				
8.30pm			Opening Eucharist (Main Chapel)			
9.30pm	Free time		Benediction in Augustine Chapel	<i>Cheese / Wine / Beer tasting</i>		

Saturday						
8am			(Community) Eucharist			
8.30am	Breakfast					
9.30am		2. Fount of blessing – CG <i>‘God the source of Blessing through Scripture and Liturgy’</i> (Stables Conference Room)				
11am	Morning Coffee					
11.30am	Free Time			<i>Iconography painting, an introduction</i> - CG	<i>Introduction to Labyrinths</i> – Suzette	<i>Guided walk exploring the extensive grounds</i>
12noon			(Community) Midday Prayer			
12.45pm	Lunch					
2pm		3. They will call me blessed – RT. <i>‘What does it mean to be blessed? – Learning from the Hebrew Scriptures, Mary, and Jesus’ teaching in the Beatitudes’</i>				

		(Stables Conference Room)				
3.30pm	Afternoon Tea					
4pm	Free Time			<i>Scratch Worship Band and Choir – CT Rehearsing Mass Setting and Anthem for closing Eucharst.</i>	<i>The Blessing of God’s Creation: Interactive walk looking for the signs of renewal – NP</i>	<i>Iconography painting, the chance to do some painting ourselves - CG</i>
5pm			(Community) Evening Prayer			
6.30pm	Dinner					
7.30pm		4. Counting our blessings – CG ‘Noticing how God has blessed us and affirming the ways in which God blesses our fellow brothers and sisters.’ (Stables Conference Room)				
9pm			Compline (outdoor worship area / firepit, weather permitting)			
9.30pm	Free Time			<i>Games night</i>		

Sunday						
8am			Morning Prayer (Coach House)			
8.30am	Breakfast					
9.30am		5. <i>My cup runneth over</i> – RT <i>‘Sharing freely of the blessings we have received – so we may be a blessing for others.’</i> (Stables Conference Room)				
11am	Morning Coffee					
11.30am			Closing Eucharist & final address			

			6. A renewed blessing - NP <i>'Discerning God's vision for our parish – that we may fulfil our calling to be a blessing to Solihull'</i> (Main Chapel)			
12.45pm	Lunch					
1.30pm	Departures					