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**Living God’s Future Now: Making Your Church’s Heart Sing**

**Tuesdays 27th May 16th September or 30th September 2025**

“*We are called to live as if God’s future has already arrived, nurturing the signs of that future in the present and sharing them with the world.”*

**Would your Diocese be interested in partnering with leaders from St Martin-in-the -Fields and other churches in hosting this enriching event for your churches and communities ?**

Join us for **Living God’s Future Now: Making Your Church’s Heart Sing**, a transformative day of resourcing and exploration inspired by the ministries of St Martin-in-the-Fields. This event offers a unique opportunity to discover practical tools and fresh perspectives to invigorate your parishes’ mission and ministry in both rural and urban contexts. Through workshops, theological insights, and moments of worship, we aim to equip your church to flourish in compassion, creativity, and community engagement.

This day of inspiration and renewal may include…

* **Great** **Sacred Music**  An inspiring session exploring the intersection of music and theology.
* **Being With** A transformative approach to faith, focusing on God’s desire for relationship and the Spirit’s work in every life.
* **HeartEdge** Practical workshops exploring the 4 Cs (Compassion, Commerce, Culture, and Congregation) for creating flourishing churches.
* **The Companions of Nazareth**  A community from all parts of the country and world whogather online for times of prayer and contemplation and each year for retreats, who seek God in contemplation and prayer and learning to live generously and compassionately. It is based on the Nazareth Community at St Martin-in-the-Fields
* **Bread for the World**  Closing the day with an Act of Contemplative and Contemporary Worship

**How it works**

What we provide:

* A dedicated coordinator based at St Martin’s will handle bookings and logistics, and produce publicity material
* The cost of all content
* Cover the cost of lunch and tea/coffee refreshments

What we ask of you:

* A suitable and available venue
* A liaison person who is able to work with our coordinator to help promote the event locally, and provide some other local support.

It is envisaged that there will be a cost of £25 for the first participant, and £10 for each additional participant from the same parish or benefice. This includes refreshments, a light lunch, and take-home resources.

**Dates currently available**

**Tuesday 27th May 2025**

**Tuesday 16th September 2025**

**Tuesday 30th September 2025**

**If you would like to host an event or learn more, please contact Andrew and Sian Yates on** **Heartedge@smitf.org**

Additional Notes:

**Great Sacred Music** Every Thursday at 1.00pm in St Martin-in-the Fields, we present **Great Sacred Music**, our 35-minute lunchtime sequence of words and music. Led by **Sam Wells** and  **St Martin’s Voices**, directed by **Andrew Earis**, it explores through song and readings the great classical music of our religious heritage. It is a model that can be replicated and it has successfully engaged a wide spectrum of attendees. Themes have included World Water Day and World Space Week as well as more traditional themes such as a Journey into Lent and Harvest.

**Being With** is a life-changing approach to helping people to consider Christian faith. Drawing on 3 key principles. 1. God’s ultimate desire is to be with you, 2. The Holy Spirit has been at work in your life since day one. 3. God’s method is the same as God’s message. Through a pioneering methodology, the course offers participants the unique opportunity to experience these unfolding truths in their lives and the lives of others, leaving people’s lives forever changed as they discover and understand others and God through Being With.

Through our workshops we will offer an introduction those that don't know Being With and for those that do, help them take it to the next level.

**HeartEdge’s** mission is to help you discover what God is doing in your church and community and equip you to develop your plans to be a transforming presence for good Across the country, there are churches that are creating new ways of being church in a changing world. They are churches at the heart of their communities, whilst being with those on the edge. When scarcity could so easily dictate their thinking and their actions, what the leaders of these churches have in common is an effective innovation skillset, a shift to an abundance mindset, and a belief that God provides more than they need. There will be workshops on the 4 Cs Compassion; Commerce; Culture and Congregation that we see to be key elements of a flourishing church.

**The Nazareth Community** is a community that gathers at St Martin-in-the-Fields on the edge of Trafalgar Square, seeking God in contemplation and prayer and learning to live generously and compassionately. It follows a simple seven-fold contemporary rule of life.

The Companions of Nazareth follow the same contemporary rule of life but come from all parts of the country and world and gather online for times of prayer and contemplation and each year for retreats.

St Martin-in-the-Fields is the Mother House of the Community, where all are welcome. We are passionate about supporting other churches to grow in their love of the contemplative tradition too: