

Parcevall Hall

Events Programme 2026



Welcome to Parcevall Hall

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Parcevall Hall warmly welcomes residential guests and day visitors all year round.

Individual private guests and groups of many kinds, religious and secular, have come here to experience peace and tranquillity since the Hall opened as a Retreat House in 1963. Faith-based, spiritual, wellbeing, arts and community groups come to the Hall for the space, calm and comfort they're seeking for their time together. Private bookings from groups and individuals can be made for a day or more of peace away from the busyness of daily life.

Programme of Events

There are a variety of events here throughout the year which range from single day events to four-night residentials. The details of each event are listed in this brochure, presented in four thematic categories. These are Open Quiet Days, Faith Retreats, Friends Events, and Arts and Wellbeing Courses and Retreats. Some retreats were hard to categorise because they include strong elements of arts and faith, or faith and wellbeing. Please do browse the whole brochure to find a retreat that is right for you.

If you would like to join our mailing list for regular updates, reflections and feedback on the programme, please contact the office.

Retreat House for the Anglican Diocese of Leeds

As the Diocesan retreat house, prayer and spirituality are central to the ethos and daily life here and all are welcome to share in this. There is a service of Holy Communion each Tuesday at 10.15am,

followed by coffee and conversation in the Solar Lounge. This is attended by local people as well as residential guests.

The Hall Chapel is always open for guests to enjoy quiet times, and there is morning prayer at 8am, evening prayer at 5.15pm.

Services and prayers are led by the Parcevall Community Chaplains, who all are priests in the Diocese with enhanced DBS checks. They also offer confidential and non-judgemental listening to guests, please request in advance.

Private Retreats and Private Stays

We regularly welcome guests who want to make their own private retreat, or who visit for rest and relaxation. The Hall is a great base for people who want to explore the local villages and surrounding countryside. Most guests stay on a full





board basis, but if you prefer to explore during the day, you can stay on either a dinner, bed and breakfast or B&B basis. If you let us know in advance, we can provide a packed lunch for a picnic.

All guests are encouraged to enjoy use of the Hall and Gardens, and will be alongside other groups or retreats at shared mealtimes.

Food

One of the pleasures of spending time away is the joy of good food with none of the work. Our guests are very complimentary about our delicious home-cooked food, made with high quality fresh ingredients, locally sourced wherever possible. You won't go home hungry! We can cater for any dietary requirement, please just let us know when you book.

Facilities

Parcevall Hall has 17 charming, clean and simple but comfortable bedrooms which can accommodate up to 26 people, and also six public rooms.

The Milner Room is the largest meeting area that comfortably accommodates groups of up to 25 people. It is equipped with a recently updated AV system supported by high speed wifi and is suitable for retreats, conferences and hybrid meetings. It is a light, bright space with a wall of windows facing a beautiful view, and regularly hosts art exhibitions. It is situated downstairs with easy access from the archway entrance.

The Solar Lounge is a welcoming and comfortable room with armchairs, a library, a small gift shop and a bar for guests. The door from the lounge leads onto a private

terrace, where you can sit and look out over the gardens to the rocky peak of Simon's Seat.

All meals are served in the Dining Room, which is one of the oldest parts of the Hall. A gong is rung to call guests to meals where they sit together around large wooden tables engendering a warm sense of community.

On the first floor there is the Writing Room which is a quiet space for individuals to enjoy and St Cuthbert's Room which offers a smaller, more intimate meeting room for groups of up to eight people. The Hall Chapel is located on the first floor.

All guests have free access to the inspirational gardens during their stay.

If you would like to see the full selection of photographs of the bedrooms and public areas, please visit the Gallery on our website.

The Parcevall Hall Team

We have a small and dedicated team of cooks, housekeepers, front of house and backroom staff who keep the Hall running smoothly. They make an invaluable contribution to the atmosphere of welcome and comfort our guests come to enjoy.

Things to do and see

Parcevall is surrounded by its lovely gardens, and the scenic beauty of Wharfedale and the Yorkshire Dales National Park. The Dales Way is on our doorstep, and walkers regularly visit this part of the world to enjoy the stunning scenery and the challenges of the hills. A short drive away are the attractive towns of Grassington, Harrogate, Ilkley, Skipton and Pateley Bridge and in the

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other direction, there are the wild limestone landscapes of Littondale and beyond.

Booking

Please contact the office by email or phone to make a booking. We will confirm availability and ask you to complete a booking form to confirm your booking. Alternatively, booking request forms for either events or private stays can be downloaded from our website.

Most events and private stays begin at 4pm on your arrival day, unless alternative arrangements have been made with us in advance.

Exclusive use of the Hall is available for groups of 15 or more, or for smaller groups paying the equivalent amount. Please request exclusive use at the time of booking.

The Friends of Parcevall Hall

Parcevall Hall is fortunate to have the support of a substantial and active group of Friends. The Friends support the work of the Hall through prayer and practical help, and providing some funding for refurbishment and new equipment. The Friends also provide bursaries to assist those in need who might benefit from the peace and tranquillity the Hall offers.

The History of the Hall

The Hall is a Grade II* listed building and the oldest parts of the existing building date back to 1586. There is evidence too of older habitation, and Parcevall Hall is thought to have been originally a monastic grange. The name Parcevall may derive from the Latin words *parcere* and *vallis* which, added to the fresh climate enjoyed on its site at the side of the hill, suggest it was a place where sick monks may have been sent to recuperate.

It is thought to have also been a resthouse for those travelling on the nearby highway from Fountains Abbey to Kilnsey in Upper Wharfedale, an important route at the time for pilgrims and those visiting the monastic courthouse. Interestingly it wasn't until the 20th century that there was a road established to Skyreholme and down the Dale, suggesting that traditionally, most journeys went north or east.

Parcevall Hall came into private ownership in the mid-16th century when it was owned by Sir John Yorke and his family. It then came into the possession of Christopher and Elizabeth Lawson, who made additions to the house in 1671. For the next two hundred years, the house was occupied by a succession of farmers and tenants,

including the Yorke family who returned for a short period in the 19th century.

Sir William Milner bought the house in 1927 from a Skipton antique dealer, Frank Laycock, when it was in a derelict state. Sir William was an architect, and he set about restoring and extending the Hall with great vision. To preserve and continue the heritage, he employed local master craftsmen to cut and dress the stone, supply suitable leadwork, re-cast plaster mouldings and create traditional door latches and hinges. He was known locally as a good employer, paying fair wages and offering secure employment in the difficult times of the 1920s.

At the same time, Milner channelled his passion for plants and a strong aesthetic sense into the design of Parcevall's gardens, planting rare species collected in Western China and Tibet. He was also co-founder of Harlow Carr Gardens near Harrogate.

Sir William was a deeply religious and quiet man. He never married, and when he died in 1960, he bequeathed Parcevall Hall to the Guardians of the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. The Guardians now manage the estate and gardens, and the Hall is leased and run by the Anglican Diocese of Leeds.



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Open Quiet Days

Our Open Quiet Days are gentle days of prayer and reflection. Each Quiet Day has its own theme, and the pattern of the day is designed by the leader to include guided reflection and free time, talking with others and time for silence. Hall staff serve teas and coffees regularly throughout the day, participants are asked to bring their own lunch.

Arrivals are from 10am and the day ends at 4pm.

Quiet Days are 'Pay As You Feel' events and payments can be made on the day by card or in cash. Your contribution to running costs will be greatly appreciated.

Please book your place in advance by contacting the office. Parcevall Hall Open Quiet Days are usually oversubscribed, so if you can't make the date after all, please let us know and someone else will take your place. To ensure that a wide range of people can attend, we will accept a maximum of three bookings per person during the year.

Programme for 2026

Friday 20 February

Opening our hearts to God, creating time and space for God through reflection, silence and worship at the beginning of Lent led by Revd Mike Leigh

Monday 16 March

Christian meditation in Lent, explore and practise contemplative prayer in this season, led by Revd Henriette Howarth

Friday 24 April

A Lakeside Walk in Eastertide, with

reflections on Jesus' earthly ministry around the Sea of Galilee, led by Revd Mark Ireland

Monday 18 May

Women's spirituality through the centuries, drawing on religious texts and poems for inspiration, led by poet-theologian Hannah Stone

Monday 6 July

The Jewishness of Jesus, reflection on the life and person of Jesus, and what this means to us today, led by Revd Paul Fisher

Wednesday 15 July

Rest in Him, experience the power and depth of contemplative silence in a group for two one-hour sessions, facilitated by the Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer

Monday 7 September

The Spirituality of Celtic Crosses, reflecting on beauty and truth in these ancient treasures, led by Revd Tom Lusty

Friday 23 October

Hexagonal Prayer, exploring six elements of the Lord's Prayer and how we learn to walk with God, led by Revd Colin Blake

Friday 30 October

Seeking stillness, take time out from the rush of life with contemplative silence in a group for two one-hour sessions, facilitated by the Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer

Friday 11 December

Journeying through Advent, reflections on texts from the Gospel of Luke led by Dr Helen Reid



2-6 February

Slippers, Boots and a Good Book! Clergy Reading Retreat

Led by Revd Canon Marion Russell

Bring a book, or a few, of your own choice, take time to ponder, explore the local walks, gardens and beautiful scenery. There will be gentle conversation and companionable silences, and a sustaining rhythm of prayer morning and evening. Guided by Marion Russell, vicar and member of the diocesan ministerial development and formation team.

Cost: £396

23-26 February

Life in its fulness Lent Retreat

Led by Dean John Dobson

The focus of the Lent Retreat is being called into fulness of life by the words of Jesus. In seven addresses over the four days of this Lenten retreat, Dean John will help us to explore how the words of Jesus speak directly to us now, inviting us to enjoy his gift of life in its fulness.

Cost: £297

13-15 March

Breath – Prayer and Fitness Retreat

and

20-22 November

Alive – Prayer and Fitness Retreat

Both led by Katherine Hogg and Revd Jenny Savage

These weekend retreats celebrate being active physically and spiritually. They are led by personal trainer and Christian activist, Katherine Hogg and Parcevall Hall Chaplain Jenny Savage. Join the exercise and weights classes, spend time outdoors in the Gardens and the Dales, and take time to reflect on life and faith.

Cost: £235

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13-15 March

Through Solitude and Contemplation Retreat

Led by Bishop David Hawkins

On this retreat, we will seek God through solitude and contemplation. There will be teaching on the Orthodox tradition, the role of the Poustinia and the science of silence. There will be opportunity for periods of personal private retreat in the Poustinia and also shared contemplative worship.

Cost: £198

27-29 March

Self-love(d): learning to love God, neighbour and self, through the insights of mindfulness

Led by Karen Openshaw and Bishop Chris Edmondson

This weekend retreat offers an invitation to experience more of the extravagant

love God has for us, and to explore how this can be the lens through which we can begin to feel and express love for God, others and ourselves. Karen, who runs her own consultancy, and Bishop Chris, invite you to join them in discovering a healthier rhythm of being, doing and loving.

Cost: £235

2-5 April

The Easter Retreat

**Led by Parcevall Hall Chaplain,
Revd Jenny Savage**

This retreat begins with Maundy Thursday and culminates in the great celebration of Easter Sunday. Along the way there are chapel services, sessions for learning and reflection, companionship and shared activities. We will look at God within our lives and what the Resurrection means to us in our everyday life.

Cost: £325

17 April

'He is risen, Alleluia!' A mindful singing retreat

Led by Revd Mike Leigh

In the Easter season, sing your faith with others led by Mike who is a natural voice practitioner. There will be songs from across the world that are easy to learn and full of harmony. Together we will create community, build self-confidence and open the channels of our awareness of God, other people and the beauty of creation.

The day runs from 10am-4pm. Lunch and refreshments are included.

Cost: £45

17-19 April

Falling Upwards

Led by Revd Dilly Baker

Inspired by the writing of Richard Rohr, this retreat offers you the chance to map an engaged Christian faith that is characterised by radical compassion, both for yourself and the world. Together we will explore what it might mean to work with the 'failings and fallings' of our lives in such a way as to discover a deeper and more authentic way of living. Led by Dilly an experienced retreat leader and life coach.

Cost: £235



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Revd Matt Woodcock

7-8 May

Retreat for Extroverts

Led by Revd Matt Woodcock

This 24-hour retreat is designed for people who find restoration and renewal in the company of others, and who think a retreat would surely be too quiet. There will be short quiet times, but also lots of time for discussion, bible study and activity. It will be led by extrovert priest and contributor to *Pause for Thought* on Radio 2, Matt Woodcock.

Cost: £105

11-15 May

Passing into heaven

Anglican Association Retreat led by Canon Andy Hawes, SSC

This is a part-silent retreat enabling a deep personal encounter with the scriptural accounts of The Ascension of Our Lord. There will be two biblical reflections each day by Canon Andrew Hawes with a musical commentary by the composer Patrick Hawes.

Services will be in accordance with the Book of Common Prayer and Bible readings are from the King James Version. It is not necessary to be a member of the Anglican Association to come.

For further information, please contact Mrs Rosemary Hall on 0191 285 7534 or hallrosemary36@gmail.com

Cost: £400

18-21 May

Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer Retreat

Led by Revd Martin Thorpe

Contemplative life is an expression of the desire to seek stillness amid the rush of life, as Jesus invites you to rest in him. This retreat is an opportunity to experience deep silence with others in a group, with reflective input and guidance offered by Martin, a long-time member of FCP and experienced Retreat Leader.

Bookings should be made through Sue Davis on 07749 592858 or susandavies367@gmail.com

Cost: £300

12 June

The Divine Weaver Retreat Day

Led by Revd Jayne Ward

Come and experience weaving as a creative pathway to prayer. During the day, there will be times spent with the group focusing on God as the Divine Weaver, and time for weaving and prayer. Materials and

a small frame for weaving will be provided, no previous experience necessary.

The day runs from 10am-4pm.

Refreshments will be served, please bring your own lunch.

Cost: £30

6-9 July

Walk, Rest and Pray Retreat

Led by Revd Mark and Gill Ireland

In this retreat we shall go walking, delighting in God's creation and reflecting from the Bible on how to build refreshing sabbath rest into our often busy lives.

There will be six walks during the retreat, with moderately challenging and easier options. Please bring walking boots, a Bible and waterproofs. Mark and Gill Ireland are pleased to have settled in Yorkshire following Mark's retirement as Archdeacon of Blackburn.

Cost: £297

10-12 July

Sing to the Lord a joyful song

Led by Revd Mike Leigh

This retreat will be a joyful weekend of song. Mike will teach songs using music from across the world which are easy to learn and full of harmony. Singing praise together will create a sense of community and open the channels of our awareness of God, other people and the beauty of creation. All singing abilities and experience levels are welcome.

Cost: £235

17-19 July

Retreat for Carers and those who care

Led by Revd Henriette Howarth

This weekend offers rest and spiritual nourishment to those who live with or care for loved ones who struggle with physical and mental health challenges. There will be time to rest and receive from God, learn from Scripture, and experience God's peace. The retreat will be facilitated by Henriette who is an experienced retreat leader, supported by Sally with music and Carol with creative arts.

Cost: £198

If finance would be a barrier to attending, please let us know when booking because there is help available with costs.

15-17 July

Retreat for Clergy Engaging with Islam and Muslims

Led by Bishop Toby Howarth

This retreat offers companionship for reflection and renewal for clergy who live out a calling to engage with Muslims. There will be opportunities to share the joy of relationships and ministry as well as the challenges posed by context and the political environment. Bishop Toby brings a wealth of experience in this area and commitment to the pastoral care of clergy.

Cost: £198

14-16 September

Music and Worship Retreat

Led by Revd Paul Fisher

At this retreat we will explore the importance of good music for different kinds of Christian worship. We will listen to and play different examples of music, have a go at composing our own short pieces, and aim to finish with a short concert. Please bring your own instruments if you have them. Paul brings his experience in ministry and as a professional musician.

Cost: £198

28-30 September

The Angel's Question

Led by Revd Dilly Baker

'Where have you come from and where are you going?' This timeless question posed by the angel to Hagar in the desert forms the backdrop for our retreat. We

will reflect on our life journeys to date and consider who we are becoming. We will discover some practical tools to help us move forward.

Cost: £235

23-25 October

Deep and Diverse Prayer Retreat

**Led by Revd Henriette Howarth, and
Revd Paul and Karen Wheelhouse**

If you long to pray more and experience the divine Love more deeply, this retreat is for you. Finding our inspiration in the scriptures and Christian tradition, we will practice different ways of prayer including silence, contemplation and the Ignatian way, with the assistance of music, nature and images. Henriette, Paul and Karen together bring experience from ordained and lay ministry.

Cost: £198

20-22 November

Inwardly Digest – Reading Retreat

**Led by Dr Helen Reid, Director of
Parcevall Hall**

This retreat is for people who love reading and talking about books. There will be time to read in quiet and conducive surroundings, as well as to share your thoughts and theological reflections on your reading with others. This is a retreat to experience grace through words at a perfect time of year for staying indoors and reading.

Cost: £198

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Hagar and the Angel in the Wilderness by Francesco Cozza, 1665 (detail).

30 November–3 December

Singing Through Advent Retreat

Led by Revd Mike Leigh

Come for a relaxing time at the beginning of Advent when Mike will lead an exploration of the themes of Advent through music and reflections. During the retreat, there will be teaching, rest, and a chance to sing Advent songs old and new. There will be worship services each day as we prepare for the great festival of Christmas.

Cost: £315

23–27 December

Christmas Houseparty and Retreat

Spend a traditional Christmas in the warm and welcoming surroundings of Parcevall Hall. There will be home-cooked food, traditional games, times for reflection and services in the chapel, all shared in good company to help us truly celebrate Christmas.

Cost: £460

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Join the Friends of Parcevall Hall



The Friends is a charitable organisation made up of individuals and Parishes who love the Hall and support its work through prayer, practical help, donations and subscriptions.

The amount subscribed is entirely at the discretion of each Friend. Those who are liable for Income Tax are invited (at no extra cost to themselves) to increase the value of their gift by 25% via Gift Aid.

By joining the Friends, you are not only helping the Hall, but also enjoying yourself at the same time!

In recent years, the Friends have helped to fund projects such as re-upholstery of furniture, new crockery and cutlery, rug cleaning and a new fire alarm system.

Bursaries are available from the Friends, at the Director's discretion, to fund part of the financial cost for individuals who may

otherwise be unable to stay at the Hall.

All Friends receive a twice-yearly newsletter which, in addition to articles relating to the Hall, gives information on current projects, members' news, and details of the annual Friends Gathering and AGM in the summer.

We have a lively programme of events to which all Friends are invited: Afternoon Tea, AGM, Lunch with Speaker and Christmas Lunch.

Become a Friend and help us cherish Parcevall Hall for generations to come.

Simply complete the form on the next page and return it, with your subscription, to the Treasurer at the address below and we'll do the rest.

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Joining Form (PLEASE COMPLETE IN CAPITAL LETTERS)

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Please tick as appropriate: ☐ I enclose a subscription of £ _____ (at your discretion, cheques payable to The Friends of Parcevall Hall) ☐ I wish to Gift Aid my annual subscription (please complete the separate Gift Aid Declaration) ☐ I wish to pay by Standing Order (a form will be sent to you) By becoming a Friend you are consenting to your details being held and processed in order to keep you informed about news, events and activities. Your contact details may be shared with Parcevall Hall. See our Privacy Notice at parcevallhall.org.uk.		

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I would like the Friends of Parcevall Hall to treat (please tick one or more boxes as appropriate)

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as a Gift Aid donation(s)
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as Gift Aid donations
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Friends of Parcevall Hall Events 2026



There are special events planned in each season of the year to provide regular opportunities for friendship, fun and worship. These events are subsidised by the Friends of Parcevall Hall, to enable those who give so much to the Hall to spend time together here.

7 May, 1.30-4.30pm

Wildlife at Parcevall and Springtime Afternoon Tea

A chance to gather together with Friends to enjoy an afternoon at Parcevall Hall in each other's company. There will be a speaker who will give a presentation on wildlife in the Hall and Gardens followed by a delicious afternoon tea with prosecco or fruit juice.

Cost for Friends: £22.50

3-5 August

The Annual Gathering and AGM: Labyrinths, Mazes and Puzzles – finding our way and having fun

This two-night stay at Parcevall has a lively programme of social activities including talks and walks, quizzes and games, as well as time for personal reflection, worship and prayer. There will be interactive sessions led by an accredited labyrinth facilitator. If you can't make the whole residential, please consider coming for the day on Tuesday for the AGM and activities.

Residential cost for Friends: £152

Tuesday from 10am-4pm cost: £27

1 October, 10.30am-3.30pm

Friends Eucharist, lunch and tour of the Gardens

The day starts with coffee and then a Eucharist, followed by lunch. After lunch a member of the Gardening Team will give a tour of the highlights of the Autumn Gardens. There will be tea and cake before you leave.

Cost for Friends: £27



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9 December, 10.30am-4pm

Friends at Christmas – Lunch, Eucharist, Carol Singing and Mince Pies

Join us for a day of celebration that will be a highlight in your Christmas calendar. The day starts with coffee and a Eucharist, followed by a traditional Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. After lunch, there will be time to spend in the Hall and Gardens, before a community party with carols, mince pies and mulled wine.

Cost for Friends: £27

Arts and Wellbeing Retreats and Courses

6-8 March, 5-7 June, 19-21 August,
30 October – 1 November

Heart and Soul Singing Retreats

Led by Keely Hodgson

Combine singing in harmony with rest, nurture and inspiration. No previous singing experience or the ability to read music is required. A varied repertoire of songs and rounds are sensitively taught using call and response.

Keely is a composer and natural voice practitioner. She leads a number of community choirs and is committed to sharing the sense of wellbeing singing with others can bring.

Cost for each retreat: £235

March, June, August, October
and December

Recorder Players' Retreats

Each led by a different conductor

These are informal and friendly residentials recorder ensemble playing. They are aimed at competent adult players who ideally offer at least two instruments [C and F]. The ability to hold your own part in a group and good sight-reading skills are key. Expect a wide variety of interesting music provided by the Conductor.

Bookings are made through the office, but for further details, contact Pauline Welch on paulinewelch.moorfield@gmail.com.

Cost for each residential: £240



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23-25 March

Conductor Carolyn Wade

Carolyn coached and directed various music groups, arranged music and ran workshops for concertina groups for over 25 years. Since retiring she has returned to playing in, and arranging music for, recorder ensembles and orchestras.

1-3 June

Conductor Michael Piraner

Michael has extensive qualifications and performance experience as a soloist. He also has considerable experience coaching individuals and both small and large ensembles. Michael has a keen interest in both early and modern music.

21-23 August

Conductor Mat Taylor

Mat is passionate about music, especially on the recorder. He aims to provide as wide a range of music as possible from many genres ranging from renaissance to modern, and many pieces he has arranged himself.

19-21 October

Conductor Hilary Oliver

Hilary is an experienced music teacher who has long loved to play the recorder. Hilary plays in a local consort as well as an early music wind ensemble, and has a passion for both ancient and modern recorder music.

4-6 December

Conductor Mary Tyers

Mary is a well-established teacher and performer who loves tutoring musicians. She also performs regularly with Sounds Historical, the folk duo Hardy Tyers and with several period instrument orchestras.

Wellbeing retreats

Led by Dr Cathy Brown

Cathy, a Chartered Psychologist, has supported individuals, teams and organisations to manage transitions for over 25 years. Clients experience her as warm, empathetic and insightful.

27 February - 1 March

and 13-15 November

Exploring the Enneagram I

The focus of the retreat is the enneagram which has its origins in ancient wisdom and provides a psychological and spiritual lens for our personal growth. Ahead of the retreat, you will have the opportunity to complete an online assessment (www.integrative9.com), receive your own 23-page Integrative Personal Enneagram Report and have a one-hour pre-retreat coaching conversation with Cathy.

Cost: £385

18-20 September

Embracing the Second Half of Life

At this retreat, participants will explore the unfolding path of the second part of life, discerning how to embrace this and thrive. Together, we will draw on the psychological and spiritual wisdom that helps us understand the two halves of life, particularly that offered by Carl Jung the psychologist and Richard Rohr a Franciscan priest. There will be time to make sense of this wisdom for ourselves and feel a connection with others.

Cost: £340

March and September

Literature Appreciation Retreats

Led by Hugh Parry

Hugh Parry is an experienced teacher of English Literature in adult education specialising in Shakespeare. His wide-ranging interests including detective fiction, utopias, ghost stories, Greek drama, and the pursuit of unfashionable poets.

Cost for each retreat: £315

16-19 March

Art in Literature

Art has always engaged the imagination of the workers in the neighbouring field of literature where words grow rather than visual images. This course will offer a taster of fiction and poetry which illustrates the range of treatments given to the subject of Art. The writing will be of different periods, and so will the paintings. Wherever appropriate, we will look at some of the art which stimulated the literature, too.

20-23 September

Climbing the Poetic Munros

In poetry, the current preference is for brevity and lyricism, while verse marching from page to page is regarded as forbidding. But in the past, readers admired poets for tackling big subjects and were prepared to climb the Poetic Munros. This course encourages you to try too. The rule is that a separate long poem is to be the subject of a single session and no more, and that each poem will be filleted in such a way as to entertain and intrigue, without creating overload.



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Art and Literature by William Adolphe Bouguereau, 1867.

April and July

Art Appreciation Retreats

Led by Tim Stimson

Tim is a cultural and art historian specialising in 17th- and 19th-century art and society, who has also practiced professionally as a painter and ceramist. Participants from previous years enjoyed Tim's engaging approach and delivery.

Cost for each retreat: £255

19-21 April

A French Impressionist and a French Realist: Caillebotte and Tissot

In this course, we shall explore the art of



Gustave Caillebotte



James Tissot

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lit, dazzlingly colourful and meticulously detailed, have remained the most loved of all Victorian images. In this course we will focus on the work of the original Brotherhood – William Holman Hunt, Dante Gabriel Rossetti and John Everett Millais in the context of the ‘age of brown’ which they were to demolish.

March and September

Walking in Wharfedale Retreat

Led by experienced Walk Leaders

10-13 March

Spring Rambling

8-11 September

Autumn Rambling

Wharfedale’s varied landscape is on a reassuringly human scale: wild moorland,

James Tissot focussing on the ‘comedy of manners’ in England and France, and Gustave Caillebotte’s unique depiction of modern Paris and society. Both responded to Baudelaire’s challenge of depicting modern life, but very differently.

12-14 July

The Pre-Raphaelite Rebellion

The paintings of the Pre-Raphaelites, romantic and poetic in theme, brightly

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wooded vales and boulder-strewn hillsides above the peaty waters of the River Wharfe. Enjoy a retreat with guided walks, time for personal reflection and the warm hospitality of Parcevall Hall. Packed lunches are provided for longer walks, but you can choose to eat in the dining room if you prefer a shorter walk round the gardens.

Cost for each retreat: £340

19-21 June

Writing In Situ Retreat

Led by poet Hannah Stone

A retreat for creative writers in an inspiring context away from everyday life and distractions. This writing retreat will help you find 'prompts' from the Parcevall Estate and the Yorkshire Dales for your own writing. There will be time with the group, time to explore and write, and one to ones with Hannah for support and

guidance. You are also welcome to bring 'work in progress' with you to discuss.

Cost: £235

15 August

Needle Felting Craft Day

Led by Isobel Coney

At this craft day led by a teaching artist, you will be shown the skills for making a needle-felted bead and guided through the steps for making a garland, small figures, and other creations. By the end of the day, you'll have a completed project and have the skills to continue needle felting at home. All materials required are supplied.

The day runs from 10am-4pm. Lunch and refreshments are included.

Cost: £45

Private Retreats, Group Bookings and Private Stays

Parcevall Hall welcomes groups and individuals for private retreats and private stays throughout the year. Please contact the office if you are interested in making a booking, we would be delighted to hear from you.

TARIFF FOR PRIVATE RETREATS	
24 HOURS FULL BOARD	£99.00
DINNER, BED AND BREAKFAST	£88.70
BED AND BREAKFAST	£69.00
DAY GUEST – WITH LUNCH	£39.00
DAY GUEST – WITH REFRESHMENTS	£27.00

All residential stays are charged per person per night, and VAT is chargeable on private stays.





