



## **Generosity: Teaching Giving in Troubled Times**

with Revd Dr Sam Wells and Revd Martha Weatherill

11th and 17th March 2021

Time: 2:00pm - 4:30pm

Registration: <https://bit.ly/3a1HMKI>

Many of us find it challenging, for understandable reasons, to teach our congregations about generosity. This year, more than ever, it has taken on a new complexity. These two half-days offer a chance to:

Benefit from speakers to help us reflect on good theology to underpin good practice, and explore together what might help to overcome the difficulties experienced, leading to practical ways to include this area regularly in the rhythms of our churches.

This joint event with the Diocese of Worcester is over two days. Sam Wells will offer the keynote address in the first session and join us live for Q&A in the second session.

Revd Dr Sam Wells is a well-known preacher, pastor, writer, broadcaster, theologian and founder of the Heart Edge movement. Since 2012 he has been the vicar of St Martin-in-the-Fields, London. Revd Martha Weatherill is the recently appointed National Generous Giving Training Manager.

## **Take a Deeper Breath... a Quiet Day**

with Revd Preb. Nick Helm

Date: 4 May 2021

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Venue: Leominster Priory

Registration:

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/HerefordDBF/TakeADeeperBreathaQuietDay>

A day to step out of the active and let yourself breathe deeper, to rest, reflect, receive, re-energise. Taking the form of a retreat day there will be a mix of led reflections, personal space, prayer and worship.

No stranger to CMD events in Hereford Diocese, Nick now serves as the Advisor in Spirituality, having previously been Ministerial & Spiritual Development Officer. He has long experience as a spiritual director and leader of retreats and courses in prayer and spiritual growth. He has recently co-authored the Grove Book Seeking Spiritual Direction, and previously published Soul Spark and Ignatius of Loyola also with Grove. His website [www.soulspark.online](http://www.soulspark.online) contains resources for spirituality and ministry.



## Leading a Congregation in Traumatizing Times

with Revd Dr Carla Grosch-Miller

Date: 15th June 2021

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Venue: Leominster Priory

Registration:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/HerefordDBF/LeadingACongregationInTraumatizingTimes>

2020 was a year like no other for many, with the various disruptions issuing from the pandemic impacting Church and society alike. Other concerns, like the consequences of Brexit and slow-burn climate change, along with more local tragedies like floods and sexual misconduct, also overshadow us at this time. These threaten to unmoor people and dash them on rocks of despair. We will learn about how trauma impacts the human body and the community, consider best practice in terms of pastoral and liturgical responses, learn the power and art of lamentation, and explore how the pieces can be put back together.

We will be led by the Revd Dr Carla A. Grosch-Miller, who is part of the team that created [www.tragedyandcongregations.org.uk](http://www.tragedyandcongregations.org.uk)

## Luke's Gospel: A New Year in Preaching

with Revd Dr Ian Paul

Date: 14 October 2021

Time: 10:00am- 4:00pm

Venue: Leominster Priory

Registration:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/HerefordDBF/LukesGospelANewYearInPreaching>

This year's lectionary gospel, Luke, shares much in common with the other 'Synoptics', Matthew and Mark, but has its distinctive contribution as well. Whilst apparently directed to a wider gentile audience, it still centres the gospel story on pious Jewish observance. It shares much of its shape with the other two gospels, but also includes unique teaching of Jesus, including many of our favourite parables and stories. In addition, it has a distinct focus on issues of wealth and power and the role of women.

Revd Dr Ian Paul studied maths and worked in business prior to ordination training and completing a PhD on the Book of Revelation. Following a decade in parish ministry and nearly a decade in theological education, he has been working freelance since 2013. Amongst other things, he is a member of the Archbishops' Council and Manager Editor of Grove Books Ltd.