

Children's Summer Camp

Wales 2018

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29th July to 11th August 2018

Crickhowell, South Wales

The Camp Location



This is real camping! There are no buildings on the site and everyone sleeps in tents, with up to six children of the same gender and similar age in each tent. Three large marquees serve as the kitchen, dining hall and activities area, while another holds the chapel where everyone gathers for prayers first thing in the morning and last thing at night. This is also where the Liturgy is celebrated on Sundays and on the feast of the Transfiguration.

The Camp Personnel



The camp is run by a team of leaders, all of whom have attended the camp themselves from an early age. They are supported by the camp's priest Father Alexander Fostropoulos and his wife Patsy, together with Deacon Peter and Irina Scorer. There is a Camp Welfare Officer present throughout camp. There are a further team of dedicated adult volunteers who assist in the kitchen, manage the safety and hygiene of the site and a further team of volunteers who help set up and pack up the camp. All personnel undergo statutory disclosure checks and there are First Aiders present.

More volunteers always welcome to help set up and take down camp. Please contact Father Alexander or Deacon Peter if you are interested.



For over 40 years summer camps have been organised for children aged 9 - 16 from our parishes and communities around the UK. For a number of years now it has been run on a site in South Wales at Dyffryn Ganol, near Crickhowell in the Brecon Beacons. It is an ideal location for a campsite; a small, flat field nestled in a valley between the mountains. Alongside the field runs a stream where the children can safely wash and play.

Camp Activities



The camp is two weeks long and the days are filled with various activities which are supervised and planned by the leaders. Activities include the Blessing of the Camp, discussions on church life and faith, visit to the nearby well shrine of St Issui, walks, Camp Olympics, Activity Theme Days, swimming, football, volleyball and other games, arts and crafts, music, dancing, sketches and bonfires.

Campers are also encouraged to tidy their tents, carry out their share of common chores, but also play together, perform sketches and join in with all the other activities on offer.

Details & Contact



Sunday 29th July – Saturday 11th August 2018

Cost: £250

A limited number of bursaries are available for those in need. The cost does not include transport to and from the camp. Transport to and from the camp is the responsibility of parents. However, we will make every effort to coordinate arrangements between families. In previous years at least one leader has accompanied a group of children on the train from London to (and back from) the camp.

If you have any questions, including enquiries about transport, feel free to contact:



Father Alexander Fostiropoulos: 020 8946 4991, fostiropoulos@clara.net

Deacon Peter Scorer: 01392 278 585, peterscorer@hotmail.co.uk

To apply for a place please complete and return the application form below. Once places have been allocated you will be sent further details, including a list of required clothing and equipment.