

LIST OF INTER FAITH WEEK EVENTS 2009

The events listed below took place in England during Inter Faith Week 2009.

The list has been drawn together by the Inter Faith Network office from regional faith forum listings, listings sent directly to the Inter Faith Network and information gathered from the internet. It is organised according to regions, with a separate section for events with a national scope. For an overview of Inter Faith Week 2009 in England, and more detailed information of some of these events, please refer to the Inter Faith Week Report.

The events are numbered for ease of reference. The Inter Faith Network office has endeavoured to ensure that the information listed is accurate but cannot take responsibility for any inaccuracies.

A separate report on events in Inter Faith Week in Wales can be found in the report [Inter Faith Week and Eisteddfod 2009](#) and a report on Scottish Inter Faith Week can be found at [Programme for Scottish Inter Faith Week 2009](#).

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National Events

Pre-Week Events

1. Thursday 12 November
Department of Communities and Local Government in partnership with the Inter Faith Network for the UK
London
Inter Faith Week in England National Launch
An official launch event for Inter Faith Week in partnership with the Inter Faith Network.

2. Saturday 24 October
Churches Together in England
Manchester
'Christian Approaches to Inter Faith Relations: Your Faith Matters!'
A seminar in preparation for Inter Faith Week with keynote speakers Dr Helen Reid, Director of Bradford Churches for Dialogue and Diversity and Rt Revd John Goddard, Bishop of Burnley.
3. Saturday 7 November
Jain Network (Jain Samaj Europe)
London
A cross community seminar
A seminar under the theme of the Jain contribution to inter faith understanding.
4. Tuesday 10 November
Joseph Interfaith Foundation
London
'Confronting Anti-semitism and Islamophobia'
A one day international conference with speakers including senior lecturers and heads of department from major universities.

Events During the Week

5. Sunday 15 November – Saturday 21 November
St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace
Different faith community venues in London
'A Sea of Stories'
A troupe of storytellers from diverse faith backgrounds, brought together by St Ethelburga's.
6. Sunday 15 – Saturday 21 November
Inter Faith Action
Universities across the UK
Interfaith Volunteer Challenge
Over two days, students from different religious/non-religious backgrounds volunteer together around the country.
7. Sunday 15 November
The Institute of Jainology and the Oshwal Association of the UK
Oshwal Centre, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire
Open Day at Jinalay (Jain Temple)
The temple open for visitors with guided tours for one day.
8. Sunday 15 November
Joseph Interfaith Foundation and the Islamic Cultural Centre, Regent's Park
London
'Young British and Believer'
A half day seminar for Muslim and Jewish university and sixth form students, focused on the key question: 'Why should we live peacefully with people of other faiths today?'

9. Sunday 15 November
Interfaith Alliance UK, Foundation for Ethnic Understanding, Islamic Cultural Centre and London Central Mosque, Scriptural Reasoning Society, Liberal Judaism, the Movement for Reform Judaism, Leo Baeck College and Children of Abraham
London
A special opportunity to read together and discuss Jewish and Islamic sacred texts, aiming to build understanding and respect for religious differences.
10. Monday 16 November
The Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby
Derby
'Building a Society for the Future: Bridges and Bonds in the East Midlands'
A regional academic conference exploring the interface between academic and practitioner perspectives, examining the four building blocks in the then Government's Face to Face and Side by Side strategy.
11. Monday 16 November
Lambeth Palace
Archbishop of Canterbury hosts national faith communities' leadership event to mark Inter Faith Week. Signing of joint statement to mark the first Inter Faith Week in England. Arranged by Lambeth Palace in consultation with the Inter Faith Network.
12. Monday 16 November
Council of Christians and Jews
House of Lords
Lecture by Shahid Malik, then Minister for Cohesion.
13. Monday 16 November
Board of Deputies of British Jews and Judith Trust
London
Inter Faith Learning Disabilities Inclusion Event
A discussion on good practice with disabilities professionals from the nine major faith groups, and a presentation by Ilana Trachtmann, director of the film Praying with Lior.
14. Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November
All Faiths and None (AFAN)
London - Walsingham
A pilgrimage from London to Walsingham.
15. Tuesday 17 November – Thursday 19 November
Alif Aleph and Muju
Comedy performances and theatre workshops
Three high profile comedy performances, alongside participatory theatre and comedy workshops at a selection of university campuses.
16. Tuesday 17 November
Cambridge Inter-Faith Programme
Cambridge

Scriptural Reasoning demonstration

A demonstration of the dynamic and evolving inter faith practice in which Jews, Christians and Muslims meet to study their sacred Scriptures together.

17. Tuesday 17 November
The Inter Faith Network for the UK and the British Humanist Association
London
A discussion at Barnard's Inn providing opportunity for shared reflection on the extent to which there may be meeting points between religious traditions and the Humanist tradition.
18. Tuesday 17 November
Department for Communities and Local Government
London
'Belief and CLG Policy Areas'
Four presentations by academics on aspects of the department's work and how the policy area relates to faith.
19. Tuesday 17 November
Three Faiths Forum, Jewish Community Centre for London, Radical Middle Way and Arts and Christian Enquiry
London
'Artifice'
An evening of visual art, music, video, spoken word, graffiti and dialogue about culture, faith and identity. Artists from different traditions using different forms of expression taking over and transforming a space.
20. Wednesday 18 November
Joseph Interfaith Foundation and the Muslim Jewish Forum of Greater Manchester
Manchester
'United in Opposing the BNP'
A panel discussion.
21. Wednesday 18 November
Zoroastrian Trust Funds of Europe and the Faith Based Regeneration Network
London
Inter Faith Seminar
A seminar entitled "Religious Philanthropy and Social Action: Tools for Cohesion and Building Stronger Communities."
22. Wednesday 18 November
Mosques and Imams National Advisory Board in consultation with Lambeth Palace
London
Inter Faith Day
An event for religious leaders from various faith groups to highlight the benefits and contributions faith communities can make in building a harmonious and balanced society. Speakers from different sections of the Islamic community.
23. Wednesday 18 November
Greater London Assembly

London
Mayoral Reception for London's Faith Communities.

24. Wednesday 18 November
Zoroastrian Trust Funds of Europe
London
Guests of different faith communities invited for Jashan Ceremony and Ghambar meal. Keynote speaker Canon Guy Wilkinson - National Inter Religious Affairs Adviser, Church of England and Secretary for Inter Religious Affairs to the Archbishop of Canterbury.
25. Wednesday 18 November
Department for Communities and Local Government
London
'Belief @ Work'
How does faith inform work ethics?
Five minute presentations from CLG staff from different faith groups and of humanist belief on what their religion/belief says about work ethics.
26. Wednesday 18 November
Insight Film Festival
Manchester
A film festival with films made by young people about faith.
27. Thursday 19 November
London Jewish Forum, Community Security and Arsenal in the Community
The Emirates Stadium, London
A panel discussion addressing the topic of anti-Semitism and Islamophobia in football.
28. Thursday 19 November
Board of Deputies of British Jews and Hindu Forum of Britain
Board of Deputies, London
A Women's Inter Faith event
An event to share, communicate and hear the common and distinct faith challenges arising from the Preston Report – 'Connection, Continuity and Community - British Jewish Women Speak Out.'
29. Thursday 19 November
British Humanist Association
Conway Hall, London
A discussion seminar centred on the question: What is the role of faith in community development and cohesion work?
30. Thursday 19 November
London Society of Jews and Christians
London
Lily Montagu Memorial Lecture 2009: 'Is Scripture Still 'Holy'? - Coming of Age with the Bible'

Lecture by Rev Dr Anthony Harvey discussing modern attitudes to the Bible in the light of critical challenges and scientific thinking, especially Darwinism. Response by Rabbi Dr David Goldberg, and discussion.

31. Thursday 19 November
Department for Communities and Local Government
London
Three Faiths Forum
An opportunity for an inter faith organisation to present their work.
32. Thursday 19 November
British Sikh Consultative Forum
Birmingham
'Celebrating Interfaith Relations'
An event including personal reflections from different faith communities, an exhibition, stalls, live performances and authentic Indian food.
33. Friday 20 November
Department for Communities and Local Government
London
'Living Library'
A living library with faith related books. Rather than borrowing a book, 'borrow' a person for a 20-30 minute conversation for an opportunity to speak to someone you may not normally get the chance to talk to.
34. Friday 20 November
National Council of Hindu Temples UK and Patanjali Yog Peeth UK
Coventry
Yoga camp
A self development yoga session aimed at providing knowledge of the basic principles of how to live a healthy life, open to all faiths.
35. Saturday 21 November
Hindu Council UK
Southall, London
Inter Faith Seminar
An inter faith seminar on improving the relationship between various faith groups.
36. Saturday 21 November
Minorities of Europe
Interfaith Youth Pilgrimage
A pilgrimage visiting places of worship in Coventry.
37. Saturday 21 November
Sri Lankan Sangha Saba and the London Buddhist Vihara
London Buddhist Vihara
'Unity, Harmony and Peace'
An inter faith day including a religious celebration and a programme of cultural events, with local faith leaders in attendance.

38. Throughout the Week
Coexistence Trust
London
A small group of students brought together to attend several Inter Faith Week events in London and to write an evaluation of the event they attended.
39. Jewish Council for Racial Equality
'Connecting People'
Jewish and Muslim teenagers come together to explore what makes them similar and different and to learn from each other.

Events in the East Midlands

Regional Events

40. Monday 16 November
Leicestershire Inter Faith Forum and Leicestershire County Council
Leicestershire County Hall
Official launch of Inter Faith Week
With representatives of St Philip's Centre, the Lord Mayor of Leicester and the Bishop of Leicester. Signing of a 'Faith Charter.'

Events during the Week

41. Sunday 15 November - Sunday 22 November
Leicester Council of Faiths
Highcross Shopping Centre, Leicester
Faiths Exhibition
42. Sunday 15 November
St Philip's Centre
Leicester
'Walk and Talk'
Muslim-Christian women's walk around Thornton Reservoir.
43. Sunday 15 November
St Philip's Centre
The Martyr's Church, Leicester
Muslim-Christian dialogue in the Martyrs Church, on 'Prayer: Does God change things?' The Revd Richard Worsfeld and Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra.
44. Sunday 15 November
Northampton Inter Faith Forum
Northampton
An extended Mitzvah Day Event
An attempt to fulfil our common religious obligation to do charitable works - internal and external work at the Broughton Mencap Centre.

45. Monday 16 November – Friday 20 November
Department for Communities and Local Government
London
Displays focusing on different beliefs and inter faith activity.
46. Sunday 15 November
Nottingham Inter Faith Council
Nottingham
Mitzvah Day Celebration
An event of music, song and prayer, uniting children aged 10-16 from five different faiths.
47. Monday 16 November
Northampton Inter Faith Forum and Northampton Hebrew Congregation
Northampton
An event about: 'setting up a synagogue, the how and why'; 'writing the old fashioned way in Hebrew'; 'kosher cooking' (demonstration and tasting session.)
48. Monday 16 November
Nottingham Inter Faith Council
Nottingham Council House
Civic Reception
Marking the 25th Anniversary of the work of the Nottingham Inter Faith Council.
49. Monday 16 November
Christians Aware
Leicester
Launching of new inter faith cookery book: 'Food, Festivals and Faith' as part of the Leicestershire Inter Faith Week launch.
50. Tuesday 17 November
Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby, in partnership with the University of Derby Chaplaincy team.
Derby
Inter-Faith Football Tournament
An inter faith tournament to raise awareness through sport of the multi-cultural society in which we live.
51. Tuesday 17 November
St Philip's Centre
Barclay Street Mosque, Leicester
Muslim-Christian dialogue in Barclay Street Mosque, on Citizenship. 'Do Muslims feel accepted as citizens of Britain?' 'Do Christians fully accept them?' Canon Dr. Andrew Wingate and Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra.
52. Tuesday 17 November
Loughborough Council of Faiths
Loughborough
Fourth Annual Feast of Faiths

A quiz format chaired by the Mayor of Charnwood to encourage people to sit with others of different faiths, also including a shared meal.

53. Tuesday 17 November
Mansfield Interfaith Network
Mansfield
'Faith Food and Friendship'
A mixture of activities and presentations and food from different parts of the world to encourage participants to network and share life experiences.
54. Tuesday 17 November
Northampton Theological Society
Northampton
A talk by Rev Dr Alan Spence on 'The Christian theory on Atonement.'
55. Tuesday 17 November
Nottingham Inter Faith Council with Nottingham Speaker's Corner
Nottingham
'Faith on the Inside'
A discussion in conjunction with Prisons Week on the significance of faith to serving prisoners, both during and after their sentences.
56. Wednesday 18 November
Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby
Derby
'Right to Live Right to Die'
A thought provoking evening looking at this subject from philosophical, medical and legal perspectives.
57. Wednesday 18 November
Leicester Council of Faiths and Leicester College
Leicester
'Many Faiths one Future'
An inter faith conference for young people, exploring their personal vision of inter faith relations in the future.
58. Wednesday 18 November
St Philip's Centre
Leicester
'Unfamiliar Journey'
Visit to a Sikh Gurdwara and the Centre by 20 Christians.
59. Wednesday 18 November
Northampton Inter Faith Forum
The Guildhall, Northampton
Art Exhibition and reception
Involving Northampton Inter Faith Forum members, local authorities, police, and education bodies.
60. Wednesday 18 November

Nottingham Inter Faith Council
The Progressive Synagogue, Nottingham
'Nottingham Inter Faith's Got Talent!'
A family concert of amateur talent, music, humour, song and poetry.

61. Thursday 19 November
Leicester Council of Faiths
The Welcome Centre Pilgrim House, Leicester
Inter Faith Social Evening
62. Thursday 19 November
St Philip's Centre
Leicester
'Sport and Women'
Launch of sports network for women of different faiths. Speakers: Freda Hussein, Manjula Sood and Zara Jurenko (medalist for tennis in the Special Olympics) Indoor sports evenings held in St Philip's Church Hall, including badminton and short tennis.
63. Thursday 19 November
Northampton Inter Faith Forum
The Meeting House, Northampton
Society of Friends Event
Short presentations of Peace Testimonies and their practical application and a chance to see the Peace Exhibition.
64. Thursday 19 November
Nottingham Jewish Muslim Dialogue Group
Nottingham
'Is peace possible?'
A discussion on the current Middle East situation with joint Jewish and Muslim facilitators.
65. Thursday 19 November
Derby
'Faiths and Food'
Presence of local groups and faith representatives with food and faith information to provide an informal drop-in event.
66. Friday 20 November
St Philip's Centre
Coalville
Invited by the District Council, a minibus load of 17, eight Muslims, eight Christians and one Hindu, joining local bowlers. Including local councillors and a team of 'professionals'. Attendance also by MP for North West Leicestershire, David Taylor.
67. Friday 20 November
St Philip's Centre
Leicester
Hindu-Christian Friendship Dinner

A first ever Friendship Dinner with the Bishop of Leicester and the the acting Chief Constable, Chris Eyre and featuring a challenging and humorous drama by Centre resource person Pradip Pradyumna, ISKON (Hare Krishna) and a colleague, Janaki.

68. Friday 20 November
The Baha'i Community of Northampton
Northampton
An informal and inspiring evening of prayer, music, and story telling based on the central theme of Baha'Ullah's message - that of unity, love and goodwill to all of humankind.
69. Saturday 21 November
Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby
Derby
Meditation Day
A one day conference with experiential meditation workshops giving participants the chance to actively engage in Buddhist, Sufi, New Age, and Sikh Meditation.
70. Saturday 21 November
St Philip's Centre
Leicester
'Muslims and Christians together in Leicestershire - dialogue, friendship and common action'
A banner displayed on a stall outside Clarke's in Central Leicester, looked after by a team of Muslims and Christians, from the long standing Muslim-Christian Dialogue Group.
71. Saturday 21 November
St Philip's Centre
Judge Meadow Community College, Leicester
Multi Faith Football
72. Saturday 21 November
Lincoln
An inter faith walk commencing at Lincoln Cathedral and proceeding to several places of worship on the way to the Lincoln Mosque.
73. Saturday 21 November
From Northampton - London
Coach trip to London
A guided visit to the Mevlana Rumi Mosque and Dialogue Centre with an informal presentation by the Dialogue Society about their ongoing inter faith dialogue activities.
74. Saturday 21 November
Loughborough Council of Faiths
Gheeta Bawan, Loughborough
Inter Faith Dialogue by young people
75. Saturday 21 November

Journeys of Faith

The Arboretum and Rosehill Recreation Grounds, Derby

'ArboLights'

The Historic Arboretum is lit by the street lights and hundreds of glow sticks carried by people as they walk around the route. At points along the path, illuminated displays on the subject of light from each faith community

76. Saturday 21 November
Wellingborough
'One World, Many Cultures, Many Faiths'
Fun and informative event, including cultural music and dance plus stands by faith groups and other organisations.
77. Council of Christians and Jews
Lincoln
Illustrated Lecture: 'Israel: Beyond the Headlines'
Talk on the political situation in the Middle East and its consequences for inter faith relations in the UK, Canon Dr Andrew White.
78. Wellingborough Inter Faith Group
Wellingborough
A combined One World Week and Inter Faith Week event featuring stands and displays by inter faith, faith and statutory bodies, and a prayer tree. Also, workshops and various performances.

Post-Week Events

79. Sunday 22 November
Nottingham Inter Faith Council
Forest Recreation Ground, Nottingham
'Kickin' it with Faith' - Multi faith football tournament
For boys aged 13 and 15 years and 16 to 19 years, with a separate tournament for girls, followed by arts activities, prize giving and social event with refreshments.

Events in the East of England

Regional Events

80. Wednesday 18 November
East of England Faiths Council
Cambridge Union Society
'Faith in the Region '
A networking event for inter faith groups, public sector officers and support organisations.
81. Wednesday 18 November
East of England Faiths Council and Cambridge Union (Cambridge University)
Cambridge Union Society

A debate on the motion 'This house believes that faith is essential to the democratic debate.'

Pre-Week Events

82. Wednesday 11 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Suffolk and North Essex
Talk
Sacred Scripture Translations. The case of Exodus.

Events during the Week

83. Sunday 15 November
Hertsmere Forum of Faiths
Borehamwood
'A Celebration of Faiths'
A mix of performances, interactive displays and a variety of foods representing the different faith communities in the local area.
84. Sunday 15 November
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource
Bury St Edmunds
'A Harvest of People'
An Inter Faith Celebration at The Cathedral Church of St James and St Edmund, Bury St Edmunds. Short presentations from people of different faiths and a light lunch, followed by Evensong in the Cathedral.
85. Sunday 15 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Hertsmere
Interfaith Litter-Picking Social Action Project
The group pick up litter and do a small amount of scrub clearance under guidance. Tools for these jobs provided by Hertsmere Council.
86. Sunday 15 November
Watford Interfaith Association
Watford
Interfaith Pilgrimage
Pilgrimage through Watford Town Centre starting at the Watford and District Synagogue, Nascot Road. Pilgrims call at St Mary's Parish Church, the Central Mosque, Holy Rood Catholic Church and finishing at the Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara in Ladys Close for traditional Sikh hospitality.
87. Sunday 15 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Backhouse Room, Welwyn Garden City
Invitation to the Friends' Meeting House
88. Sunday 15 November

Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Ludwick Way Church, Welwyn Garden City
'Faith and Creation'
An invitation to the Christian 'Permission to Speak' discussion group.

89. Sunday 15 November - Saturday 21 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Radlett
Inter faith conversation
Young people and inter faith work.
90. Monday 16 November
Hertsmere Forum of Faiths
Borehamwood
A performance by the Community Choir
A choir celebrated for exploring diversity with an emphasis on togetherness.
91. Monday 16 November
Huntingdonshire District Council and the Bishop of Huntingdon
Huntingdon Leisure Centre
All Faiths Conference
A conference aimed at identifying the contribution of faith organisations and the services they provide, for example youth services, support for the unemployed, and providing the opportunity for them to discuss the role they see for themselves in the future growth and development of Huntingdonshire. Three presentations followed by an open discussion alongside an 'Interactive Board', for mapping current contributions of local faith groups to be considered by the council in terms of any future planning.
92. Monday 16 November
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource Centre
Open Day
An Open Day, welcoming the Mayor and Mayoress of Ipswich and other public figures to explore the achievements of SIFRE and play the Diversity Game along with a group of SIFRE members and visitors.
93. Monday 16 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Welwyn Garden City Synagogue
Illustrated Jewish Shabbat service.
94. Tuesday 17 November
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource
Debenham
'East meets West'
Playing the Diversity Game at Debenham Community Centre.
95. Tuesday 17 November
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource
Hadleigh

'East meets West'
Playing the Diversity Game at Hadleigh Library.

96. Tuesday 17 November
Dacorum Sharing of Faiths
Hemel Hempstead
A talk by Dr Michael Wetzler from the liberal Jewish tradition, also sharing Jewish readings and prayers.
97. Tuesday 17 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Focolare Centre for Unity, Welwyn Garden City
Bring and Share Supper
98. Wednesday 18 November
Hertsmere Forum of Faiths
Hertsmere
'Let's talk about faith'
An open discussion between teenagers of different faiths in the Hertsmere Community.
99. Wednesday 18 November
SIFRE
Pettistree Hall
'East meets West'
Playing the Diversity Game at Pettistree Village Hall.
100. Wednesday 18 November
Suffolk Inter Faith Resource
Lowestoft College
Waveney Inter-Faith Exhibition.
101. Wednesday 18 November
Greater Peterborough Partnership
Peterborough Town Hall
Inter-Faith Exhibition
Faith groups and schools in Peterborough invited to display information about faith, inter-faith work and related items.
102. Wednesday 18 November
Faiths Forum for the District of Basildon
Wat Tyler Country Park, Essex
A Shared Faiths Response to the Credit Crunch.
103. Wednesday 18 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Methodist Church, Ludwick Way, Welwyn Garden City
'An Introduction to Methodism'
104. Wednesday 18 November

Wisbech Interfaith Forum
Wisbech
'Judaism and Interfaith'
A talk by Mr Reynold Rosenberg on Judaism and Interfaith relations over a buffet supper.

105. Wednesday 18 November
Norwich Interfaith Link
Norwich Cathedral
'Faiths of the Middle East' Symposium
Hosted by Bishop David Gillett, an event to show how people of every faith yearn for peace, security and respect for the right of everyone to practise their religion in freedom, including representation from Judaism, Islam, Christianity and Baha'i.
106. Thursday 19 November
Braintree District Council
Braintree
'Working Together in Braintree District'
A faiths engagement event including presentations from public sector and faiths representatives, and an opportunity for discussion and networking.
107. Friday 20 November
Baha'i Community of Cambridge
Cambridge
Inter Faith Devotional Meeting
108. Friday 20 November
Ipswich Hospital Multi Faith Chaplaincy
Ipswich
Annual Inter-Faith Celebration and Official Opening of the Multi-Faith Garden
Celebration on the theme of Light, attended by the Mayor and Mayoress. Readings and music from various faiths helped to create a peaceful and contemplative atmosphere for all. This was followed by the dedication of the new multi-faith garden, laid out in an oriental style, including a labyrinth, and watched over by a Buddha figure.
109. Friday 20 November
Luton Council of Faiths
Sanathan Sewa Samaj Temple, Luton
An evening of jokes from across faiths and cultures. The launch of a fairtrade temple.
110. Friday 20 November
Peterborough Inter Faith Council
Peterborough
Annual UN Children's Day Service
A series of prayers, songs/hymns contributed by children from the Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, Hindu and Christian Communities.
111. Friday 20 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group

Welwyn Hatfield
Muslim Friday Prayers

112. Friday 20 November
Thurrock SACRE
Thurrock
Thurrock Youth SACRE Conference
A conference for 50 young people between the ages of 10-15, investigating issues of faith and belief from many perspectives.
113. Saturday 21 November
Buddhist Centre
Ipswich
Open Day
An opportunity to see the new premises and to listen to a series of introductory talks such as the Origins of Buddhism, Buddhist Principles and Ethics, and Meditation.
114. Saturday 21 November
Luton Council of Faiths
Sanathan Sewa Samaj Temple in Hereford Road, Luton
Luton Faith Map Launch
115. Saturday 21 November
Southend Faith Forum and Southend and District Reform Synagogue
Westcliff on Sea, Essex
'Any Questions?'
116. Saturday 21 November
Waveney SIFRE Circle
Waveney
'Dinner and Diversity'
An opportunity to try the Diversity Game
117. Saturday 21 November
Bushey Interfaith Forum
Bushey and District United Synagogue
Debate: 'Faith schools promote religious intolerance'
118. Saturday 21 November
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Welwyn Hatfield
Baha'i evening of music and reflection
119. Throughout the week
Welwyn Hatfield Inter Faith Group
Welwyn Garden City
Open Door visits to places of Christian worship.

Events in London

Pre-Week Events

120. Thursday 12 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Finchley, London
Gibson King Memorial Lecture
Jewish Practice in the Modern World
121. Saturday 14 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Brunel University, London
'Women in the Community'
A play written and performed by Yeading School Mums

Events during the Week

122. Sunday 15 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Edgware
Talk
Abraham from the Jewish point of view.
123. Sunday 15 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Lelung Dharma Centre, Hillingdon
Taster sessions of various therapies.
124. Sunday 15 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Christ Church, Belmont Road
Morning Service - A 'drop-in' event
A space open to observe the service, meet with a leader of the church to ask questions and finish with tea/coffee/squash and biscuits
125. During the week
Kingston Inter Faith Forum
Kingston
Three Faiths Speaker Exchange
An exchange of speakers at three local services of worship.
126. Sunday 15 November
Kingston Inter Faith Forum
Surbiton Assembly Room, Kingston
'Celebrating Creativity and Diversity in Kingston'
A performance by the faith/belief communities
127. Sunday 15 November
Alan Senitt Memorial Trust
London

An inter faith Choral concert in the presence of Deputy Mayor and Mayoress of Harrow in aid of the Alan Senitt Memorial Trust. 2 inter faith community choirs, 2 church choirs, a synagogue choir and a jewish primary school choir taking part (150 choristers in all).

128. Sunday 15 November
Redbridge Faith Forum
Redbridge
Inter Faith Walk of Peace
129. Sunday 15 November
Wimbledon Interfaith Group
Wimbledon
'Many Faiths - One Community'
An event where local faith communities offer a short presentation on the theme of what our faiths teach about faith and harmony for the common good and examples of the contribution each faith makes locally.
130. Monday 16 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
International Siddhashram Shakti Centre, Harrow
Open Day, Devotional Songs and Meditation
131. Monday 16 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
United Reformed Church, Harrow
Collective Prayer
Meeting of all the churches in Harrow
132. Sunday 16 November - Saturday 21 November
Hounslow Friends of Faith
St Paul's Church, Brentford
All week, food from different cultures on the menu at the Open House Café.
133. Monday 16 November
Kingston Inter Faith Forum
Kingston University Spirituality and Faith Centre
'Contemporary Paganism'
Kingston Museum Talk and discussion led by Steve Wilson (Public Bodies Liaison Committee for British Paganism)
134. Monday 16 November
Southwark Multi Faith Forum
Southwark
'Having Faith in Southwark'
A public conversation chaired by the BBC's Jumoke Fashola: featuring a panel and audience discussion on the challenges facing faith groups in their need for places of worship, as well as their contribution to the spiritual and civic life of communities.
135. Tuesday 17 November

Employers Forum on Belief
Canary Warf

A roundtable discussion in association with the Bishop of London's Chaplain of Canary Wharf, and State Street Bank, providing an opportunity for employers to discuss problems and solutions to religion and belief issues in the workplace.

136. Tuesday 17 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
All Saints Church, Harrow
Open Day
137. Tuesday 17 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
Sri Saddhatissa International Buddhist Centre, Harrow
Meditation Class
138. Tuesday 17 November
Council of Christians and Jews and Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Emmanuel Church, Africa Lounge, Northwood
Lecture
Anthropology and the Bible. Rabbi Athias-Robles
139. Tuesday 17 November
Redbridge Faith Forum and Sukkat Shalom Reform Synagogue
Redbridge
Women's Inter Faith Evening
140. Wednesday 18 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
St John the Baptist Church of England Church, Harrow
'Talk Allowed'
A multi faith film making event about how different religions affect young lives today. Young people from different faiths are participating.
141. Wednesday 18 November
Kingston Inter Faith Forum, Kingston University Chaplaincy
Kingston
Inter Faith Café
An informal inter faith meeting with café tables hosted by the different faith communities.
142. Wednesday 18 November
Newham Student SACRE
Newham
45 students talk to one another and reflect on the value of growing up in a borough that is diverse in the religious views held by different people.
143. Wednesday 18 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Stockwell

Public meeting
CCJ branch meeting: "Conversazione"

144. Wednesday 18 November
Southwark Multi Faith Forum
Southwark
'More Tea Vicar/Imam/Rabbi?'
An event open to young people who attend Southwark college. An opportunity to discuss their own faiths and to talk to the facilitators on each table about their faith and beliefs.
145. Thursday 19 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Guru Nanak School, Hillingdon
Guru Nanak Inter Faith Conference
A conference, held at Guru Nanak School, for Borough Sixth formers and school leaders along with members of parliament and others to consider Inter Faith Issues in Hillingdon
146. Thursday 19 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Hayes Muslim Centre, Hillingdon
Exhibition
Open House Drop In
147. Thursday 19 November
Hounslow Friends of Faith
Hounslow
Ladies of all faiths and none invited for tea/coffee morning with a guest speaker for a beginners guide to growing your own vegetables and herbs in your back garden or allotment.
148. Thursday 19 November
Hounslow Friends of Faith
Hounslow
'Songs of Praise'
A Christian celebration focusing on God the Creator, open to all faiths.
149. Thursday 19 November
Newham
NEWish consultation event
An event open to all people of faith and statutory agencies working with young people in or around London Borough of Newham.
150. Thursday 19 November
Redbridge Faith Forum
Redbridge
'Improving the Way We Govern'
Workshop organised by The Charity Commission, supported by the Redbridge Faith Forum and open to all faith community organisations in Redbridge.

151. Thursday 19 November
South London Inter Faith Group
South London
Visit to the Caribbean Hindu Temple, including a presentation about the prayer and worship there, a tasty lunch, and a time of sharing about other events in the week, followed by discussion.
152. Friday 20 November
Young Jains, Bhakti Mandal and Zoroastrian Trust Funds of Europe
London
'In Tune with God'
Various faiths sing some of their most devotional songs/prayers during this musical night.
153. Friday 20 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Hillingdon
Junior Inter Faith Event for all the schools in the Yeading cluster
A conference for pupils from across the schools to work through what faith means in their communities.
154. Friday 20 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Ruislip Synagogue, Ruislip Manor
'Maariv'
An annotated Friday Evening Sabbath Service
155. Friday 20 November
Hounslow Friends of Faith
Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Hounslow
Open Evening at the Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha
Tour of the Gurdwara complex and langar (vegetarian meal) from the Gurdwara community kitchen.
Traditional Kirtan music and a brief talk on Sri Guru Teg Bahadur and his martyrdom, a photographic presentation of the Sikh Community.
156. Saturday 21 November
Institute of Jainology, and Oshwal Association of the UK
Croydon
Open Day at Ghar Derasar
The temple open for visitors with four guided tours during the day.
157. Saturday 21 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Harlow Liberal Synagogue
Inter Faith Shabbat service
158. Saturday 21 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council

Kol Chai Jewish Community, Harrow
Shabbat Morning Service

159. Saturday 21 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
North Harrow Methodist Church
North Harrow Methodist Church open to the public to view the completion of our 'Transformation' project, a complete refurbishment and redecoration of the worship area.
160. Saturday 21 November
Harrow Council and Harrow Inter Faith Council
Civic Centre Council Chamber, Harrow
An event to celebrate the diversity of faith in Harrow. A distinguished panel of speakers from the faiths of Harrow talk on 'Religion and Law in a modern society' and answer general questions about their faiths and beliefs.
161. Saturday 21 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Hayes
HIFN display at the Streets Ahead launch in Hayes
162. Saturday 21 November
Watermans Art Centre, Brentford
Concert: 'Music from the Faiths'
A concert of music from different faith communities, Anglican, Catholic, Russian Orthodox, Hindu, Jewish, Sikh with Quaker silence and the Muslim call to prayer.
163. Hounslow Friends of Faith
Hounslow Gurdwara
Tour of the Gurdwara complex and langar (vegetarian meal) from the Gurdwara community kitchen.
Traditional Kirtan music and a brief talk on Sri Guru Teg Bahadur and his martyrdom, an important chapter in multifaith support. Photographic presentation of the Sikh Community. Presentations of the Sikh Faith and other religions, followed by question and answer.

Post-Week Events

164. Sunday 22 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
Harrow Central Mosque
Open Day
An invitation to the wider public to visit the mosque, speak to mosque representatives about Islam and observe prayers in progress.
165. Sunday 22 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
Harrow Quaker Meeting House
Prayer Meeting

The Harrow Quakers invite all faiths to their meeting of worship.

166. Sunday 22 November
Harrow Inter Faith Council
Harrow
Feast of Speech
The Bahai's of Harrow remember Harrow Interfaith Council at their 'Feast of Speech.'
167. Sunday 22 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
St Margaret's Church, Windsor Street
An opportunity to attend and/or observe a Sunday Communion service followed by a tour and a conversation about the service afterwards over coffee.
168. Sunday 22 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Hillingdon Park Baptist Church
Come and observe Baptists!
Come and observe part of the weekly worship at the Hillingdon Park Baptist Church. After the service, a chance to look round the building and see why we are a 'Baptist Church.'
169. Tuesday 24 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue
'A Jewish Theology of Other Religions'
Speaker: Debbie Weissman, President of the International Council of Christians and Jews, a special guest only visiting England for a few days.
170. Wednesday 24 November
Barnet Multifaith Forum
Hendon Town Hall, Barnet
An event featuring speakers and a panel answering faith questions.
171. Thursday 26 November
Hillingdon Inter Faith Network
Muslin Centre, Pump Lane
Credit Crunch Lunch
Opportunity for a drop-in for advice and support on benefits, housing issues 'health check.' A credit crunch brunch specifically aimed at faith leaders and others in the Hayes and Harlington Area in liaison with the 'Streets Ahead' initiative.

Events in the North East

Regional Events

172. Wednesday 18 November
North East Regional Faith Forum
Stockton Education Centre, Stockton on Tees

Stakeholder event

Showcasing the work being done by faith groups in local authorities across the region.

173. Thursday 19 November

North East Regional Faith Forum

Gateshead Civic Centre

A regional launch event for the new North East Faiths Survey

A regional launch event hosted by the North East Regional Faith Forum, for the new web-based North East Faiths Survey taking place at the Gateshead Civic Centre, including displays and activities from NERFN membership as well as a demonstration of the web-based survey. Also featuring music and dancing provided by various faith and culture groups, plus displays and information stands dedicated to various faith groups in the region.

Pre-Week Events

174. Thursday 12 November

Faiths Together

South Tyneside

Visits to local places of worship

A programme of visits to local places of worship, enabling South Tyneside residents of different faiths and beliefs to develop a wider understanding of faith communities other than their own through personal encounters.

Events during the Week

175. Monday 15 November

Middlesbrough Council of Faiths

Middlesbrough

Women's Inter Faith event

A women's inter faith event including music and entertainment, taking place in Middlesbrough Teaching and Learning Centre.

176. Tuesday 17 November

People to People

Newcastle

25th anniversary celebration

Workshops and guest speaker Prof. P Weller.

177. Wednesday 18 November

Christian Muslim Forum

Knop Law and Milecastle Primary Schools, Newcastle

'A Multi Cultural Experience'

Launching Mosque-Church Twinning.

178. Wednesday 18 November

Stockton Riverside College

Stockton on Tees

Respect Day

179. Wednesday 18 November
County Durham Faiths Network and Durham County Council
Durham
Conference for secondary school year 9-11 students: 'Different Faiths, Shared Values' - workshops and question time panel with representatives from different faiths and beliefs: Buddhist, Christian (RC, Anglican, Quaker), Humanist, Jewish and Muslim, drawn from County Durham Faiths Network and Durham SACRE.
180. Thursday 19 November
Council of Christians and Jews
United Hebrew Congregation Synagogue, Newcastle
Open evening at Synagogue
181. Thursday 19 November
Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Newcastle upon Tyne
Newcastle upon Tyne
A Baha'i devotional
In celebration of Interfaith Week. Readings from Scriptures together with some music, followed by refreshments.
182. Durham County Council
County Hall, Durham
'Building Bridges of Understanding'
Stories from people of different faiths living in the North East and an Inter Faith Awareness exhibition

Post-Week Events

183. Monday 23 November
Connect FE
City of Sunderland
An event for college chaplains and associate chaplains of all faiths and beliefs, held at City of Sunderland Bede Centre.

Events in the North West

Regional Events

184. Monday 16 November
Northwest Faiths Forum and the Greater Manchester Faith and Community Leaders Forum (GMFCLF)
Manchester Town Hall
'Don't Lose Faith in Greater Manchester'
An event to highlight and encourage further inter faith work in Manchester, as well as to support greater engagement between faith communities and statutory bodies.
185. Friday 19 November
Cheshire East Council with North West Regional Development Agency
Crewe Town Hall

'Don't Lose Faith in Cheshire'

An event to highlight and encourage further inter faith work in Cheshire, as well as to support greater engagement between faith communities and statutory bodies.

Pre-Week Events

186. Saturday 14 November
Stockport College, Stockport
Fairtrade Fair
Over 30 Fairtrade stalls with original gifts and food from around the developing world.

Events during the Week

187. Sunday 15 November - Saturday 21 November
Building Bridges Burnley
Faith Centre, Burnley Campus College
An exhibition event including children's artwork on the topic of interfaith as well as speakers.
188. Sunday 15 November
Faiths for Change
Liverpool
Cycle of Faiths
A guided cycle tour around Sefton Park that incorporates visiting places of worship near the park.
189. Sunday 15 November
Local Baha'i community, Methodist church and Sikh Gurdwara
Liverpool
Interfaith Service
Joint event by the Sikh and Baha'i Communities.
190. Sunday 15 November
Preston Faith Forum
Catherine Beckett Centre Preston
Multi Faith Music Celebration
191. Sunday 15 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Cheadle Muslim Association, Stockport
Cricket coaching session by community sports coaches and special guest.
192. Sunday 15 November - Saturday 21 November
Preston Faith Forum
Harris Museum, Preston
A multi faith exhibition enabling people to get information about different religions and faith based organisations and talk to representatives of the different faith communities.

193. Monday 16 November
Lancashire Forum of Faiths
Preston
Film Screening
194. Monday 16 November - Wednesday 18 November
Lancashire Forum of Faiths
Preston
Multi Faith Film Festival
195. Monday 16 November
HMP Altcourse
Liverpool
'Inside Faith'
An event including seeing part of the HMP Altcourse prison, talking to the Chaplaincy Team and meeting prisoners from various faith backgrounds.
196. Monday 16 November
Faiths Network 4 Manchester
Manchester Environmental Resource Centre initiative
'Faith and the Environment'
A talk.
197. Monday 16 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Manchester
Business Breakfast with faith leaders.
198. Monday 16 November and Tuesday 17 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport
Faith Building Open Days, Exhibitions, Tours
Cheadle Muslim Association
199. Thursday 16 November
Liverpool Community Spirit
Liverpool
A day workshop for 6th form students from across Merseyside exploring Islamic and British culture.
200. Tuesday 17 November
Altrincham Interfaith Group
Altrincham
Visit to the Sikh Temple
201. Tuesday 17 November
South Lakeland Inter Faith Forum
Kendal
'The haves and the have not'
A discussion at the Quaker Meeting House

202. Tuesday 17 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport
Faith Building Open Days, Exhibitions, Tours
Norbury St Thomas' Church 175th Anniversary Exhibition
203. Tuesday 17 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Cheadle Muslim Association, Stockport
'The Status of Women in Islam'
Are Muslim Women really oppressed?
Is there any truth behind the stories?
Followed by a question and answer session and a hot buffet.
204. Tuesday 17 November
NHS 5 Borough Authorities
Bridgewater Hall, Manchester
'Spirituality and Healthcare'
An event exploring the place of faith communities in mental health recovery, and the use of theatre in healing and cultural identity
205. Tuesday 17 November
Bolton Interfaith Council
Bolton Parish Church, Veda Temple, Zakariyya Mosque
One morning - at the same time all three major places of worship open to public.
206. Wednesday 18 November
Lancashire Forum of Faiths
Preston
Inter Faith Football Trophy
207. Wednesday 18 November
Building Bridges Pendle
Christ Church, Nelson Central Ghausia Mosque and the ACE Centre, Pendle
A full day of events celebrating ten years of service to communities. Featuring a range of performers and speakers from various faith and inter faith organisations.
208. Wednesday 18 November
HatWorks Museum
Stockport
'Celebrate'
An evening of dance, music, drama, food and hats!
209. Wednesday 18 November - Friday 20 November
Tameside Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE), St George's Church and Faiths United (Tameside)
St George's Church, Hyde
Children and Young People Inter Faith Event

An opportunity for the children and young people of Tameside to share their learning, understanding and perceptions on 'Families and Faith.'

210. Wednesday 18 November
Bolton Interfaith Council
The Hub, Bolton
Open Day
A day for people to come to talk to the staff of Bolton Interfaith Council about their work and to see the office.
211. Thursday 19 November
Lancashire Forum of Faiths
Preston
Food Festival
212. Thursday 19 November
Lancashire County Council
Preston
'Understanding Faith in the Public Sector'
An event held by Lancashire county council for public sector employees to raise awareness about faith and its intersection with the work of the public sector.
213. Thursday 19 November
Liverpool Community Spirit
Liverpool
Youth Council event
A youth council open meeting as an opportunity for RE teachers to bring along students to hear about the youth council and get involved with some activities.
214. Thursday 19 November
Hindu-Jewish Association
Manchester Metropolitan University
'Inner Faith-Inter Faith'
An event to explore the possibilities and challenges of living in a multi faith society.
Talks by Mrs Anuja Prashar and Rabbi Brian Fox.
215. Thursday 19 November
Bolton Interfaith Council
Bolton
Radio Broadcast
Participating in a live broadcast radio programme on Bolton FM about the significance of inter faith work.
216. Friday 20 November
Lancashire Forum of Faiths
Preston
Lancashire Forum of Faiths Charity Dinner
217. Friday 20 November
Liverpool Faith Network

Liverpool

A tour of local faith groups for staff from statutory bodies to raise the profile of the work of faith groups in Liverpool with a talk from Mgr John Devine at the beginning of the tour.

218. Friday 20 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport
Faith Building Open Days, Exhibitions, Tours
St Saviour's Church
219. Saturday 21 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Liverpool
An inter faith quiz at The Reformed Synagogue Hall on Church Road
220. Saturday 21 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Cheadle Muslim Association, Stockport
Football Tournament
221. Saturday 21 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport
Faith Building Open Days, Exhibitions, Tours
Quaker Meeting House, Cheadle Hume
222. Saturday 21 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport
Faith Building Open Days, Exhibitions, Tours
St John the Baptist Church
223. Saturday 21 November
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Bramhall Methodist Church, Stockport
'Surviving the Credit Crunch!'
An event for everyone feeling the pinch as Christmas approaches.
Ideas, advice, seminars, space to think
224. Saturday 21 November
Bolton Interfaith Council
Friends Meeting House, Bolton
Multi Faith Picnic and Fun
A picnic for all to bring a traditional dish to share with others and to enjoy some fun filled activities together.
225. Throughout the Week
Stockport Inter Faith Network
Stockport

School visits to mosque

A number of primary schools visiting Cheadle Muslim Association during Inter-Faith Week for a tour of the Mosque.

226. Throughout the Week
Stockport Inter Faith Network in partnership with Stockport Sports Trust
Stockport
Sports events for Year 4 children from different schools
Cricket, martial arts, cheerleading, Gaelic football and lacrosse.
227. Weekly throughout the year
Women's Meditation group
Kendal
Kendal Multi Faith Women's Meditation
228. Liverpool Community Spirit
Liverpool
In partnership with Liverpool Faith Network and Merseyside SACRE, a document listing places of worship for schools to visit in the city during Inter Faith week and for the rest of the academic year.

Post-Week Events

229. Sunday 22 November
Bolton Interfaith Council
Victoria Hall, Methodist Mission
Three faith groups reading from their holy books, praying and singing hymns together.

Events in the South East

Pre-Week Events

230. Sunday 1 November
Surrey Interfaith Friendship Group
St Nicholas Parish Room, Guildford
A multi-Faith event to commemorate United Nations Day
231. Thursday 5 November
Mole Valley Council
Burford Bridge Hotel, Dorking
Mole Valley Council hosts an initiative between their Local Strategic Partnership Leaders and members of the Faith Community. To discuss projects and how the council can serve their community better.
232. Saturday 14 November
Elmbridge Multi-Faith Forum
Elmbridge
Annual Gala Evening

With the Mayor and Mayoress in attendance. Entertainment, food and socialising, from within Elmbridge with a religious context.

233. Saturday 14 November
Horsham Inter-Faith Forum
Horsham
Talk by Dr Richard Boeke (former Horsham Unitarian Minister and member of the World Congress of Faiths) on 'Inter-Faith - From Tolerance to Trust', followed by responses from an inter faith panel and general discussion.
234. Saturday 14 November
Slough Faith Partnership
Slough Town Square
'Sikhs in the Square'
Gatka (martial arts) display, stalls and much more. Also, broadcast on the Sikh Channel and Punjab Radio. Free samosas, sweets, fruit and drinks.

Events during the Week

235. Saturday 14 November - Sunday 22 November
Slough Faith Partnership
Kingsway United Reformed Church, Slough
Inter Faith Week Exhibition
Featuring exhibitions, leaflets and interesting discussion by all the main faith groups in Slough.
236. Sunday 15 November
Oxford
Tree Planting
The faith communities of the city join with the Jewish Community of Oxford who are celebrating Mitzvah Day by the planting of 6,000 trees at the Cumnor Hurst Community Woodland.
237. Saturday 15 November
Southampton Interfaith Link
Southampton
'One World - Many Faiths - a celebration of the diversity of faiths in Southampton.'
238. Sunday 15 November
Wokingham Borough Interfaith Network
Ramsharia Sikh Temple, Earley Reading
An event including speeches from the Temple's president and others, followed by a prayer session and lunch.
239. Sunday 15 November
Crawley Inter Faith Network and Crawley Borough Council
Crawley
Inter faith football match

240. Sunday 15 November and Sunday 22 November
Wycombe Sharing of Faiths and High Wycombe Library Service
High Wycombe Library, High Wycombe
'Living Library'
An opportunity to learn about other faiths by 'borrowing' a person of faith from the library.
241. Sunday 15 November
Brighton and Hove Interfaith Contact Group and World Sacred Music
Brighton
'Forgiveness with Teeth'
A talk by Michael Henderson on his latest book *No Enemy to Conquer: Forgiveness in an Unforgiving World*.
242. Sunday 15 November
Oxford Jewish Congregation
Oxford
A Mitzvah Day inter faith tree planting for a local community woodland.
243. Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November
Slough Faith Partnership
Slough Library, Slough
'Borrow a Person'
An opportunity to 'borrow' a person of a different faith to ask them questions about their beliefs.
244. Tuesday 17 November
Council of Christians and Jews, Guildford branch.
Guildford
An evening workshop titled 'The Power of Apology' (shortened version of a workshop by St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace)
245. Tuesday 17 November
Hastings and District Inter Faith Forum
'Family and Faith'
Presentations from experts in marriage preparation and support.
246. Tuesday 17 November
Christian Muslim Forum
The Avenue Methodist Church, High Wycombe
A conference in High Wycombe during Inter Faith Week for people actively involved in inter-faith relations. Presentations and opportunities for discussion.
247. Tuesday 17 November
Kent County Council
Invicta House, Maidstone
A buffet lunch to discuss the work which the many faith communities in Kent are undertaking with migrant communities.
248. Tuesday 17 November

Wycombe Sharing of Faiths and Oxford Diocesan Committee for Interfaith Concerns
The Avenue Methodist Church, High Wycombe
'Fear, Faith and Friendship'
A conference for people actively involved in inter-faith relations. Presentations and opportunities for discussion.

249. Wednesday 18 November
Hampshire Inter Faith Network
Winchester
A lecture with Rabbi Lionel Blue, followed by a performance by Berakah, a group comprised of Jewish, Christian and Muslim musicians. Words of meditation given by Sheikh Salah Al Ansarie of the Basingstoke Mosque.
250. Thursday 19 November
Canterbury and District Interfaith Action
St Peter's Methodist Church, Canterbury
'Do Faith Schools Divide?'
Simon Barrow of the ACCORD coalition and the Christian think tank EKKELSIA asking the question 'Do Faith Schools Divide?'
251. Thursday 19 November
Horsham Inter-Faith Forum
Horsham
Spiritual Reflection
An hour of reflection and meditation and music led by people from five different faith traditions.
252. Thursday 19 November
Wychwood School
Oxford
Conference: 'Encountering Faiths'
For 6th Formers in the City. Sessions led by representatives from three faiths exploring 'Tools for dialogue'
253. Thursday 19 November
Oxford City Council
Oxford
A musical evening with contributions from the many faith traditions in the city of Oxford. The evening includes song, dance, drums and other musical items displaying the cultural diversity of the city.
254. Thursday 19 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Harris Manchester College, University of Oxford
'Inter Faith in Stone'
Lecture
255. Thursday 19 November
Southampton Council of Faiths
Vedic Temple, Southampton

Conference: 'Faith Matters - One city many faiths –bringing the differences together'
A conference aimed at highlighting the way that the different cultures and communities in Southampton work together to build understanding and shared values.

256. Thursday 19 November
Council of Christians and Jews
United Hebrew Congregation, Staines
Talk: 'Inter-Faith - From Tolerance to Trust'
The state of Inter-Faith dialogue today.
257. Thursday 19 November
Oxford Council of Faiths
Oxford Town Hall
Concert
An evening of entertainment from people of faith in the city.
258. Saturday 21 November
Aylesbury Vale District Council
Aylesbury
'Living in Harmony'
A conference open to everyone to find out about each other's faiths and beliefs.
259. Saturday 21 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Berks/Reading
Men's Breakfast
Learning from the Other', a talk by David Gifford, CEO of the Council of Christians and Jews.
260. Saturday 21 November
Kent
'Festival of Light'
A celebration of festivals in various religious traditions which focus on light.
Contributions from children from different faiths and cultural entertainment.
261. Saturday 21 November and Sunday 22 November
Slough Faith Partnership
Slough
'Walk n Talk'
Abdullah Rahim joining the Renaissance Readers in various events in Slough and also at the Walk to Talk from Salt-hill Park to Stoke Poges Mosque on Sunday 22. An opportunity to discuss about various aspects of Islam and other religions and ask questions.
262. Saturday 21 November
Woking People of Faith
Woking
Coffee House Conversations

An opportunity for all ages to meet and explore ideas, hosted in coffee shops around Woking.

263. Saturday 21 November
Bushey Interfaith Forum at the Bushey and District United Synagogue
Bushey
Debate on a controversial issue: 'Faith schools promote religious intolerance'
A chance to express your opinions on the growing number of faith schools in the wider community.
264. Saturday 21 November
Renaissance Readers Club and Slough Faith Partnership
Kingway, Church Street and Holiday Inn, Slough
'Some Misconceptions about Islam'
A religious scholar from Scotland gives a talk about common misconceptions concerning Islam, focusing particularly on the position toward women and non-Muslims.
265. Christian Muslim Forum
Milton Keynes
Milton Keynes Local Christian-Muslim Meeting
Workshops on: Increasing the involvement of women in inter faith; What do young people think of us?; Our place in the world our community; and Celebrating inter faith achievements.
266. Ecumenical Accompaniers
Surrey
A talk by Abdul Karim Sadi who works in Human Rights for an Israeli NGO (B'tselem), hosted by a group of Ecumenical Accompaniers.
267. Watford Interfaith Association
Watford
An interfaith pilgrimage, the first one in Watford, starting at the district synagogue, visiting the parish church, the central mosque, the Catholic church and the gurdwara, receiving very welcome hospitality.
268. Welwyn Garden City Quaker Meeting
Welwyn
An invitation to a Sunday Welwyn Garden City Quaker Meeting followed by a chat over tea.

Post-Week Events

269. Tuesday 24 November
Godalming Bahá'ís
Godalming Pepperpot
'Meeting: Unity in diversity'
Drawing upon the teachings of their faith as well as prayers and readings from other traditions.

Events in the South West

Regional Events

270. Tuesday 6 October
Faithnetsouthwest
Taunton
Annual General Meeting for Faithnetsouthwest and preparation for Inter Faith Week.

Pre-Week Events

271. Saturday 14 November
West Wiltshire Interfaith Group
Bradford on Avon
'Institutional Prejudices'
An event with speakers from different faiths.

Events during the Week

272. Sunday 15 November
Bristol Multi Faith Forum
Bristol
'Diverse Open Doors'
An opportunity to visit places of worship and some of the faith communities in Bristol.
273. Sunday 15 November
The Chapter House at Truro Cathedral
Truro
Interfaith Celebration
274. Monday 16 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Avon/Bristol
Lecture on Supercessionism, Jews and Christianity
275. Monday 16 November
Devon Faiths Forum, Plymouth Centre for Faiths and Cultural Diversity, Totnes and
Torbay Inter Faith Forums and Exeter Inter Faith Group
Exeter Central Library
'Educating Ourselves and Our Children'
An evening of food, music, dance and information for Inter Faith Week 2009.
276. Monday 16 November
Bristol Multi Faith Forum
Torbay
The Diversity Game
Teams from Torbay Secondary Schools playing The Diversity Game together to celebrate Inter Faith Week. The College librarians putting on a display of faith material during that week

277. Monday 16 November
The Chapter House at Truro Cathedral
Truro
Open Meeting: 'Faith and Well-Being'
Faith perspectives on current health issues.
278. Thursday 19 November
Plymouth Centre for Faiths and Cultural Diversity
Plymouth
'Inter Faith Week at Plymouth Centre for Faiths and Cultural Diversity'
Talks, discussions, displays and light refreshments.
279. Friday 20 November
Plymouth Centre for Faiths and Cultural Diversity
Plymouth
Young People's Group

Post-Week Events

280. Tuesday 25 November
Brighton and Hove Inter Faith Contact Group
Brighton
United Service
People from various faiths participate with readings and music in a shared service.

Events in the West Midlands

Regional Events

281. Saturday 14 November
West Midlands Faiths Forum
Council House, Birmingham
Launch Event
Exhibition, networking, live music and an inter faith photography exhibition.
Also, a range of speeches and a DVD preview.
282. Saturday 21 November
Wolverhampton Faith and Regeneration Network and West Midlands Faiths Forum
Wolverhampton
'Climate Change...a matter of faith'
Regional closing event for Inter Faith Week

Pre-Week Events

283. Wednesday 4 November - Friday 6 November
Birmingham University and Birmingham City Council
Birmingham
'Faith Making a Difference'
A conference

284. Wednesday 4 November
Worcestershire County Council
County Hall, Worcester
'Faith in the future of Worcester'
An afternoon for faith leaders and city/county council planners looking at expansion of the city, together with housing and diversity issues.
285. Saturday 7 November
Coventry Multi Faith Forum
Coventry
Peace Walk
An event starting with the reading of Peace Prayers in Priory Gardens, going on to visit The Chapel of Unity (Coventry Cathedral), Zeenat ul Islam Mosque, Hindu Temple Society, a Spiritualist Church and GNP Gurdwara, with a communal meal.
286. Tuesday 10 November
Coventry Inter Faith Group
Muslim Resource Centre, Coventry
Seminar: 'Islam and its relations with Judaism and Christianity'
287. Saturday 14 November
Birmingham City Council
Birmingham
Contribution to the West Midlands Inter Faith launch event, on 14 November, by running an inter-faith week logo competition in Birmingham's schools.
288. Saturday 14 November
Sathya Sai Baba Centre of Coventry
Coventry
'Singing for World Peace'

Events during the Week

289. Sunday 15 November
Birmingham Council of Faiths
Bournbrook Community Fire Station, Birmingham
'Faith and Politics'
290. Sunday 15 November
Dudley Borough Interfaith Network and Worcestershire Inter Faith Forum
Worcester University
Conference: 'Women of Faith'
Exploring the role of women in our faith communities: sharing the experiences of Christian, Jewish and Muslim female leaders in faith. A day of learning, exploration and interaction.
291. Sunday 15 November - Friday 20 November
Worcester
Daily 'thought for the day' on BBC and daily articles in local papers.

292. Monday 16 November
Birmingham
Launch of International Week for Schools in Birmingham (linking with Inter Faith Week)
293. Monday 16 November
Birmingham
'Walk the Talk'
Launch of Islam Awareness Week's celebration of diversity and commonality
294. Monday 16 November
Birmingham
'Faith United - Seeking Spiritual Truth'
A multi faith panel. Baha'i, Spiritualist, Muslim faith representatives, one person from each faith group speaking for 15 minutes.
295. Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November
Worcester
Assembly: by children, for children
Muslim and Christian children of Redhill Primary school write and perform their own assembly, delivered to various other primary schools in the district.
296. Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November
Worcester
'Playing hide and seek with God'
40 primary school children given a disposable camera each, and asked to take photos of special places - where they find God. Resultant photographic display at cathedral and other public areas.
297. Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November
Worcester
Visits to places of worship
Local schools make visits to compare and contrast places of worship, including Tallow Hill Mosque and Old Saint Martins Anglican Church
298. Tuesday 17 November
Birmingham Friends of the Earth
Birmingham
Birmingham Sustainability Forum Public Consultation – Faith and Community Sustainability
299. Tuesday 17 November
Council of Christians and Jews and Birmingham Council of Faiths
Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre
'Interfaith relations in Birmingham from a Police perspective'
Council of Christians and Jews and Birmingham Council of Faiths Roger Hooker Memorial Lecture
300. Tuesday 17 November

Worcestershire Interfaith Forum
Worcester
Worcestershire Interfaith Forum AGM
An opportunity to hear speakers, share an inter faith lunch and network with people from the county interfaith scene.

301. Wednesday 18 November
Birmingham
Tour of Shri Laxmi Narayan Hindu Temple
302. Wednesday 18 November
Burton YMCA/Burton Women's Interfaith Network
Burton
A faith trail covering three places of worship, guided tours and Q and A sessions.
303. Wednesday 18 November
Coventry
'People of Faith in Action for the Common Good'
Jubilee Debt Campaign
304. Thursday 19 November
Burton YMCA/Burton Women's Interfaith Network
Burton
An inter faith bring and share meal.
305. Thursday 19 november
Coventry Ethnic Minority Action Partnerships (CEMAP) with support from Coventry Multi-Faith Forum and Coventry City Council
Coventry
'Celebrating faiths: sharing values'
An event including very short presentations of values by each faith representative, group discussions and culturally diverse snacks.
306. Friday 20 November
Islam Awareness Week
Iqra Learning Centre, Coventry
The role of women in Islam –Dr Hala Alsafadi
307. Friday 20 November
South Shropshire Interfaith Forum
Craven Arms
Interfaith Pilgrimage
A pilgrimage from the mosque to the parish church and in the absence of a synagogue, a demonstration of shabbat prayers at the church.
308. Friday 20 November
Tallow Hill Mosque, Worcester
'Party Time!'

A party to bring the uniformed organisations of the city together with the community living around Tallow Hill Mosque, with food, music and a professional basket ball player.

309. Friday 20 November; Sunday 22 November
Worcester
'Side by Side, Face to Face'
Leaders and spokespeople of other faiths invited to attend each other's worship.
310. Saturday 21 November
Lichfield Inter Faith Forum
Lichfield
'A Matter of Life and Faith - Creation, Climate Change and Copenhagen'
311. Throughout the Week
Worcester
Churches encouraged to invite leaders of other faiths to Sunday worship (and vice versa).
312. Warwick District Faiths Forum
Warwick
Launch of 'Meeting Point - a contribution to Faiths Awareness', an A5 booklet providing details of 8 local faiths, including background, history and beliefs.
313. Diocese of Worcester Interfaith Resources Group
Worcester
Various assemblies organised at schools across the city
At Redhill School a thirty-minute assembly delivered by the children themselves as well as a 'curry and ice cream' lunch, and multi-media assemblies at Whittington C of E and Cherry Orchard primary schools.
314. Diocese of Worcester Interfaith Resources Group
Worcester
Tours of Worcester Mosque
Tours of Mosque for two primary schools and the sea cadets and their parents.
315. Diocese of Worcester Interfaith Resources Group
Worcester
Friday evening community party at Midland Road community centre
A community party to welcome the sea and army cadets to their new HQ next to the Worcester Mosque, also including basketball skills session, a tour of the Mosque, and lots of food.
316. Diocese of Worcester Interfaith Resources Group
Worcester
Visit of Imam to Worcester Cathedral
A visit of the Imam to Monday evensong at Worcester Cathedral.
317. Evesham Interfaith Group
Evesham

Inter-faith question panel

An evening event, organised by Evesham Interfaith group, centred around a panel of representatives of local faith communities.

318. Worcester

Bishop of Worcester addresses Friday prayers at Worcester Mosque

Post-Week Events

319. Wednesday 25 November

Birmingham

Open Meeting of Birmingham SACRE

Events in Yorkshire and Humber

Regional Events

320. Monday 24 September

Yorkshire and Humber Faiths Forum

Al Hikmah Centre, Batley

Inter Faith Week preparation event.

321. Tuesday 17 November

Yorkshire and Humber Faiths Forum

York

A Faith Leaders event hosted by the Archbishop of York.

Pre-Week Events

322. Saturday 14 November

Kirklees Faiths Forum

Kirklees

Diwali Celebrations

A Diwali show organised by Huddersfield University Hindu Society including a play telling the story of Diwali, the Festival of Lights celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains. Also including dance performances, food, information stalls and more.

323. Saturday 14 November

Islamic Society of Britain, Yorkshire

Sheffield Town Hall

'A vision of peace and harmony through the eyes of a child'

Sometimes children know best! Children from across the city gather together to share their vision of a multi-cultural society where peace and harmony reign supremely.

324. Saturday 14 November

York Interfaith

St Michael-le-Belfry Church, York

Supporters and local leaders of the faith communities in York invited to meet outside the church to witness together for peace and reconciliation.

Events during the Week

325. Sunday 15 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
St Thomas' Church, Huddersfield
An introduction to Islam and Christianity by speakers from each faith as well as an opportunity to ask questions and network over lunch.
326. Sunday 15 November
Jamia Masjid Noor/Kirklees Faiths Forum
Kirklees
'Connecting Faiths Day'
A day aimed to bring together people from different faiths to help create an understanding of the importance of inter faith dialogue and multi-faith working, in particular, a number of Islamic workshops/presentations.
327. Sunday 15 November
Organised by Sheffield Interfaith, Islamic Society of Britain and Multifaith Chapel and Library Burngreave Ashram
Sheffield
Celebration of the first ever Inter Faith week in England including tree planting, food and speeches
328. Monday 16 November
Hull and East Riding Interfaith
Toll Gavel Methodist Church, Beverley
A talk on "The Interfaith movement: from Tony Blair to Beverley."
329. Monday 16 November and Tuesday 17 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
Brian Jackson Centre, Huddersfield
Two days of fun and interactive workshops, including Gospel singing, Jewish bread baking, Sikh sword fighting and Hindu devotional hymn singing.
330. Monday 16 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
Ashiq's Restaurant, Dewsbury
Kirklees Faith Forum AGM, followed by a meal.
331. Monday 16 November
Sheffield Faiths Forum
Sheffield
Hindu Samaj
Open visit during prayers.
332. Tuesday 17 November, Saturday 21 November
Hull and East Riding Interfaith
Hull
Interfaith Walks and Talks
Two Faith Trail walks: 1) Hull Jewish Heritage Walk and 2) Hull Faith Trail walk.

333. Tuesday 17 November
Interfaith Kirklees (Schools)
Brian Jackson Centre, Huddersfield
National Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge Award Presentation Ceremony
Featuring contributions from schools who visited the Interfaith Kirklees (Schools) Faith Centres as part of their RE units of work and school twinning, and also from some of the hosts who deliver the learning packages to them.
334. Tuesday 17 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
Huddersfield University
'Faith and Spirituality': An Evening of Inspiration
Enjoy a meal, a spoken word performance from an inter-faith duo, followed by a panel of speakers, including representatives from various Kirklees faith communities, talking on the topic of Faith and Spirituality
335. Tuesday 17 November
The Diocese of Leeds Inter-religious Relations Commission in partnership and with support from St Pauls Church Manningham
St Pauls Church Manningham
'We Believe – in Music'
Members of different religious traditions share the use of music and song to express their deepest beliefs and feelings in worship.
336. Tuesday 17 November
Leeds Faith Forum
Leeds
Displays at Leeds Museum by various faith groups, including Bahai's, Christians, Jews, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs, and Pagans.
337. Tuesday 17 November
The Madina Mosque, Sheffield
Mosque Open Day
Tours of the purpose built mosque, surrounded by traditional Arabic Calligraphy, through the day as well as information sessions, free literature, tea, coffee and eastern delicacies.
338. Wednesday 18 November
United Faiths and Fixby Primary School
Huddersfield
United Faiths event
A celebration in Huddersfield at Fixby Primary School. Stalls and activities to celebrate interfaith involving dance, music, henna and face painting. Also providing Asian food and an afternoon with performances.
339. Wednesday 18 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
Kirklees

Pledge a pound and fast for a day. Pound goes to neo-natal and intensive care unit in Dewsbury Hospital.

340. Wednesday 18 November
Council of Christians and Jews
Leeds
Talk
'Journey Towards Understanding', Dr David Smith
341. Thursday 18 November
Scunthorpe
Opening of the Tranquility Rooms, Great Oaks Hospital
Bishop of Lincoln opening the Tranquility Room at Great Oaks Hospital, Scunthorpe.
342. Wednesday 18 November
Sheffield Faiths Forum
Sorby House, Burngreave
'A call for unity and harmony': Q and A evening
Ask the question! A special panel of members with all the major faith representatives present, giving their perspective and opinions on the questions asked.
343. Thursday 19 November
Kirklees Faiths Forum
Kirklees
Buddhist meditation for Inner Peace
A open day at Vajrapani Buddhist Centre, a residential Buddhist Centre in Huddersfield. Peace Café open for relaxation and refreshments, and a meditation guide by the teacher at the centre.
344. Thursday 19 November
Leeds Concord Interfaith Fellowship
Quaker Meeting House, Leeds
Patterns of Worship
A talk by Mark Hellerby on: Worship in the Baha'i tradition
345. Friday 20 November
Huddersfield Interfaith Council
St Thomas' Church, Huddersfield
Interfaith Quiz night
Faith, food and fun for everyone, children and adults, all faiths or none.
346. Friday 20 November
Hull City Council/Hull and East Riding Interfaith
Hull
Living Islam Day
347. Friday 20 November
Sheffield Faiths Forum
Sorby House, Burngreave
'Connecting Communities: A challenge for the 21st century'

Let our hearts work together! Working spirituality together using friendship and trust, to overcome the challenges that face our community in the 21st century.

348. Saturday 21 November, and on-going
Hull and East Riding Interfaith
Zillis Restaurant, Hull Trinity Church Square
Faith Trails project
Beginning work on a printed booklet for schools, colleges, visitors, and the citizens or public of Hull and the East Riding, about the places of worship in our area, their architecture and history, services and faith communities.
349. Saturday 21 November
Churches Regional Commission for Yorkshire and Humber
Huddersfield
'Treasures Revealed'
A walk around the town centre, visiting five places of worship.
350. HAMARA (Bringing Communities Together)
Leeds
'Cultural Awareness Day'
Workshops and activities around the theme of festivals and food. Each faith group presented an activity highlighting the customs and traditions of key festivals.

Post-Week Events

351. Sunday 22 November
Leeds
'Leeds Inter Faith Cricket Project'
Over the 18 months young people aged 11-16 are given opportunities for training in cricket while learning about and developing respect for other faiths and cultures.

Events in the Isle of Man

Events during the Week

352. Monday 16 November
Interfaith Isle of Man
Nobles Park, Douglas
A Celebration of Light
The theme of light explored from the perspective of a number of different faiths and groups in the Isle of Man.

The self governing British Crown Dependency Isle of Man has been included in the England report.

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