

SPODE  HOUSE

A- CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTRE OF THE  
ENGLISH DOMINICAN FATHERS

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PROGRAMME

JANUARY — JUNE 1958

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The house provides men and women with a community centre, where they will find and themselves help to form a well-developed Catholic life. It is spacious and cheerful, with modern amenities including central heating. It stands in the grounds and parkland of Hawkesyard Priory and, as a central meeting-place, is easily reached from all parts of England and Wales.

Throughout the year courses are arranged to cover a wide variety of interests. Catholic societies and organisations also book it for their meetings. In the priory church visitors are able to follow the daily ceremonies of the liturgy. The priory has a community of some forty priests, students and laybrothers.

Spode House lies between Stafford and Lichfield, just off the London-Manchester road (A.51) and close to the Euston-Glasgow and Euston-Manchester main line, as well as to roads and railways out of Birmingham.

SPODE HOUSE

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ARMITAGE 331

I. CONFERENCES AND SOCIAL EVENTS

GENERAL COURSES

Week-end courses	<i>Know your Faith</i> SERIES (Monthly) Fr. Philip D. Cetti, O.P.	First week-end
	SCRIPTURE SERIES (Monthly). Fr. Edmund Hill, O.P.	Third week-end
	<i>Marriage.</i> YOUNG MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES. Fr. Murdoch Scott, O.P. & Dr. Higgins.	Feb. 21 May 16
	<i>Psychology Week-end.</i> (For those engaged in psychological work and priests and nuns). Dr. C. Burns. Dr. J. Marshall and others	May 2
	<i>Open Question Time.</i> A Conference for enquiry about the Catholic faith for those who are not Catholics. R. J. Mellish, M.P., Cecily Hastings and others.	May 30
	<i>Old Spode Week-end.</i> Fr. Donald Proudman, O.P.	Apr. 25
	<i>Moral Problems.</i> I. Catholics and the Wolfenden Report.	
Other courses	<i>Music Week.</i> Fr. Conrad Pepler, O.P., Anthony Milner, Wilfrid Mellers, and others.	Apr. 8
	<i>Visual Arts Week.</i>	Apr. 15

COURSES FOR CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS

Days	CLERGY STUDY DAYS (Monthly).	Last Monday
Week-end courses	<i>Ecumenical Conference.</i> The Abbot of Downside, Fr. Victor White, O.P., Fr. Alex Jones.	Jan. 11
Other courses	COURSE FOR RELIGIOUS HEADMISTRESSES. Fr. Henry St. John O.P., Fr. Gerard Meath, O.P., Fr. Laurence Bright, O.P., Fr. Anthony Ross, O.P., Fr. Alex Jones, Fr. Wilfrid Kelly, Fr. W. Davenport.	Jan. 7
	COURSE FOR NOVICE MISTRESSES. Fr. Ambrose Farrell, O.P., Fr. Conrad Pepler, O.P., Fr. Simon Blake, O.P., Fr. Cornelius Ernst, O.P., Dr. Edith Mackintosh.	Jan. 20
	COURSE FOR RELIGIOUS SUPERIORS. Fr. Ambrose Farrell, O.P., Fr. Roland Potter, O.P., Fr. James Walsh, Miss Mildred Nevile.	Jan. 27
	COURSE FOR RELIGIOUS SOCIAL AND PARISH WORKERS. (with guild of Catholic Professional Social Workers). Fr. Ian Hislop, O.P., Fr. J. Fitzsimons, Miss V. Denty, Mrs. McCann, Mr. C. Metcalfe.	Jan. 31
	CONFERENCE ON RADIO AND TELEVISION. Fr. Agnellus Andrew, O.F.M. and others. (By invitation only).	Jan. 14
	<i>Dominican Conference (First Order).</i>	Feb. 16

## COURSES BOOKED BY SPECIAL ORGANISATIONS

Week-end courses	THE STAFFORDSHIRE EDUCATION COUNCIL YOUTH WEEK-END. J. P. Leighton.	Jan.	17
	BIRMINGHAM NEWMAN SOCIETY STUDY WEEK-END. Fr. Laurence Bright, O.P.	Jan.	25
Other courses	U.C.F. CONFERENCE.	Feb.	7
	ST. CHRISTOPHERS' CONFERENCE.	Feb.	15
	U.C.S. STUDY WEEK.	Mar.	22
	<i>Christian Citizenship</i> , COURSES FOR SCHOOL-LEAVERS. (Studley, Acocks Green, Newcastle).	May	10
	ST. CHRISTOPHERS' NATIONAL GET TOGETHER. Fr. Conrad Pepler, O.P.	May	17
	Y.C.W. (Nottingham) STUDY WEEK-END.	May	17

### SPECIAL EVENTS

TWELFTH NIGHT WEEK-END.	Jan.	3
PAGEANT PLAY in the grounds of Spode House.	June	28

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## II. RETREATS AND DAYS OF RECOLLECTION

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### GENERAL

Week-end retreat	WHITSUN RETREAT.	Fr. Kenneth Wykeham George, O.P.	May	23
Longer retreat	HOLY WEEK RETREAT.	Fr. Conrad Pepler, O.P.	Apr.	2

### FOR CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS

Days	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> (Monthly). Fr. Raymond Walsh, and others.	Second Thursday
Longer Retreats	Eight Day Retreat for Religious Superiors. (Sisters). The Abbot of Downside.	Mar. 7

### SPECIAL ORGANISATIONS

Week-end Retreats	ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CYCLISTS (B'ham)	Fr. Conrad Pepler, O.P.	Mar.	15
	CATENIANS (COVENTRY) RETREAT.		June	7
	LEGION OF MARY (N.E. Birmingham)		June	13

Please apply to Fr. Warden, Spode House, Hawkesyard, Rugeley, Staffs. (preferably enclosing stamped addressed envelope) for programmes of particular events, including full lists of speakers; also for general information about Spode House and how to reach it.

Charges vary with events (see particular programmes). They are calculated on a basis of 17s. 6d. first full day, board and lodging, and 15s. subsequent days, with certain extra charges for lecturers' fees.

# CALENDAR January - June 1958

<i>Begins</i>	<i>Ends</i>
Fri. Jan. 3	Twelfth Night Week-End ..... Sun. Jan. 5
Mon. 6	Course for Religious Headmistresses. .... Sat. 11
Thur. 9	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Sat. 11	Ecumenical Conference. .... Sun. 12
Tue. 14	Conference on Radio and Television. .... Thur. 16
Fri. 17	Staffs. E.C. Youth Week-end. .... Sun. 19
Sat. 18	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 19
Mon. 20	Course for Novice-Mistresses. .... Sat. 25
Sat. 25	B'ham Newman Society Study Week-end. .... Sun. 26
Mon. 27	Clergy Study Day.
Mon. 27	Course for Religious Superiors. .... Fri. 31
Fri. 31	Course for lay and Religious social workers. .... Wed. Feb. 5
Sat. Feb. 1	<i>Know your Faith</i> . Week-end. .... Sun. 2
Fri. 7	U.C.S. Conference. .... Sun. 9
Thur. 13	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Sat. 15	St. Christophers' Conference. .... Sun. 16
Sat. 15	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 16
Sun. 16	<i>Dominican Conference</i> (First Order). .... Tue. 18
Fri. 21	Marriage Week-end. .... Sun. 23
Mon. 24	Clergy Study Day.
Sat. Mar. 1	<i>Know your Faith</i> . .... Sun. Mar. 2
Fri. 7	Retreat for Religious Superiors. (Sisters). .... Sat. 15
Thur. 13	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Sat. 15	St. Christophers' (Birmingham) Retreat. .... Sun. 16
Sat. 15	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 16
Sat. 22	U.C.S. Study Week. .... Sat. 29
Sat. 29	<i>Know your Faith</i> . .... Sun. 30
Wed. Apr. 2	Holy Week Retreat. .... Sun. Apr. 6
Tue. 8	<i>Music Week</i> . .... Mon. 14
Tue. 15	<i>Visual Arts Week</i> . .... Mon. 21
Thur. 17	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Sat. 19	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 20
Fri. 25	<i>Old Spode Week-end</i> . .... Sun. 27
Mon. 28	Clergy Study Day.
Fri. May 2	<i>Psychology Week-end</i> . .... Sun. May 4
Sat. 3	<i>Know your Faith</i> . .... Sun. 4
Thur. 8	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Sat. 10	St. Christophers' National <i>Get-Together</i> . .... Sun. 11
Mon. 12	<i>Christian Citizenship</i> School Leavers Course, Studley. .... Fri. 16
Fri. 16	Marriage Week-end. .... Sun. 18
Sat. 17	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 18
Sat. 17	Y.C.W. Week-end. .... Sun. 18
Fri. 23	<i>Whitsun Retreat</i> . .... Tues. 27
Fri. 30	<i>Open Question Time</i> .... Sun. June 1
Mon. June 2	Clergy Study Day
Sat. 7	<i>Know your Faith</i> . .... Sun. 8
Mon. 9	<i>Christian Citizenship</i> School Leavers Course, Acocks Green ..... Fri. 13
Thur. 12	Clergy <i>Recollectio</i> .
Fri. 13	Legion of Mary (N.E. Birmingham) retreat. .... Sun. 15
Sat. 21	Scripture Week-end. .... Sun. 22
Mon. 23	<i>Christian Citizenship</i> School Leavers Course, Newcastle. .... Fri. 27
Sat. 28	<b>Pageant Play</b> ..... Sun. 29

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