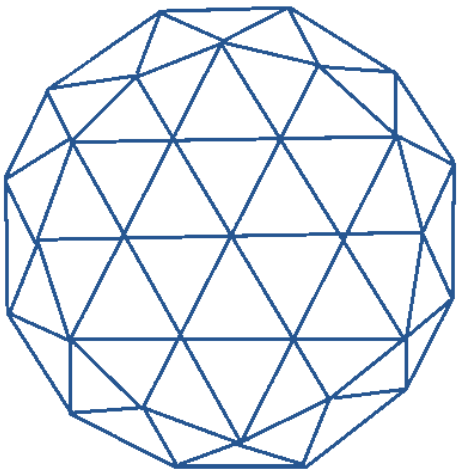

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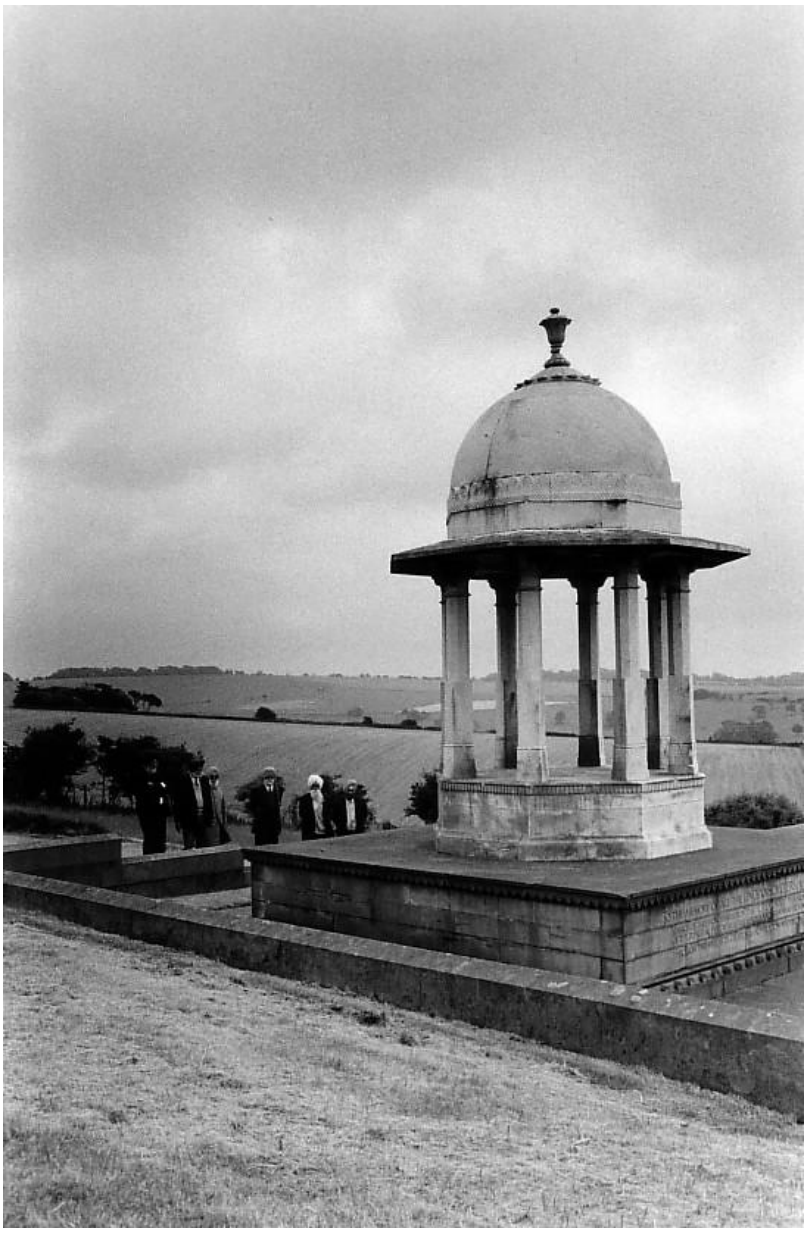


INTRODUCTION

THE DIRECTORY

The IFCG's *Directory of Faith Communities and Traditions* was first published in 1996. It has been and continues to be a resource for inter-faith initiatives, contact and dialogue. It has also been and continues to be a useful resource for the public services: for council officers, community workers and hospital chaplains. This directory is made available as a PDF on the IFCG's website.

Inclusion within this Directory does not necessarily imply an affiliation or agreement with the aims and objectives of the IFCG. Each statement of faith or belief contained within the Directory simply identifies the entrant in their own words. It is neither the IFCG's desire nor intention that any comparisons be made between one entry and another.

THE IFCG

The Brighton & Hove Inter-Faith Contact Group (the IFCG) came together in the 1990s as a resource for contact and dialogue, to help build and maintain good relations and greater understandings between the many different communities of tradition and faith in our area; to provide a forum for discussing matters of mutual concern; and to organise and promote inter-faith initiatives and activities. A copy of the IFCG's constitution can be viewed on the IFCG's website.

The Honorary President of the IFCG - the Mayor of the City of Brighton & Hove - each year opens the IFCG's Annual General Meeting. This meeting elects the IFCG's Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. It also confirms the IFCG's Executive Committee, comprised of representatives from our city's Faith Communities and Traditions. Membership of the IFCG is open to all who reside, work or worship in Brighton & Hove; agree with the aims of the IFCG; and pay an annual subscription (currently £10 per year).

The IFCG is affiliated to the **Inter Faith Network for the United Kingdom** and endorses its code of conduct, *Building Good Relations with People of Different Faiths and Beliefs*. A copy of that code can be found in the concluding pages of this directory.

THE PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographs in this directory were taken by Tony Tree for *Faith 2000* -

- a photographic record for the millennium of over two thousand black & white images in a range of settings, some personal and some very public
- and an exhibition at Brighton Museum & Art Gallery

- following his twelve month project to document the richness & diversity and moments in ritual of the religious faiths and cultural traditions within Brighton & Hove.

For reasons of space, to keep this directory to a reasonable number of printable pages, not every faith or community is represented by a photograph in this directory.

More of these photographs (and further information regarding the photographs featured in this directory) can be found at www.tonytree.net/faith-2000.html

PLEASE NOTE

The photos in this directory are not necessarily related to the faith communities or traditions that might be listed on the same page.

HOW THE INFORMATION IN THIS DIRECTORY WAS COLLECTED & ARRANGED

Each faith community or tradition in this directory was listed in English-alphabetical order according to its own given title.

Information was provided by each faith, community or tradition in response to a request from this directory's Editorial Group. Where information was not provided then an entry was compiled using information generally available in public places.

When it was known that there were people of a faith or tradition in Brighton & Hove but there was no further information available regarding local contact points or meeting places, then a regional or international information resource was listed.

A faith community or tradition could be listed individually or within its own group of related communities or traditions. If a community or tradition had several meeting places (for example a number of parish churches) then only its principal meeting places were listed.

Each entry might contain some if not all of the following details.

The name of the faith/community/tradition and contact details

A brief description of the faith/community/tradition

Principal local meeting place(s)

Times of meetings/services

Information regarding access to the public, dress codes, wheelchair access, etc

The availability of further information (from offices, websites, libraries, etc)

Classes and cafes may be mentioned, but we did not include secondary commercial information such as a meeting place being available for hire.

This (June 2015) edition of the directory is the last in this format.

Since the original software and document template are no longer available, the IFCG Directory in this format will no longer be updated.

In future, the IFCG Directory might appear in a new, online format compiled in co-operation with a number of other organisations.

Because the original template was unavailable, although corrections to the existing text could be made, new entries could not easily be inserted. This has meant recent additions appear in the back pages of this edition (see Contents list).

EDITORIAL GROUP

Regarding this directory and its contents, the Editorial Group may be contacted at **directory@interfaithcontactgroup.com**

The IFCG Directory's Editorial Group is unable to answer questions regarding the faith communities or traditions listed in this directory. Further information should be sought via the contact details listed in this directory for a particular faith community or tradition.

DIRECTORY OF FAITH COMMUNITIES AND TRADITIONS

Bahá'i Faith

The Bahá'i Centre, 19 Stanford Avenue, Brighton, BN1 6GA
01273 505895
www.brightonbahais.org.uk

The Bahá'i Faith is founded on the teachings of Bahá'u'lláh. He was born in 1817 to a prominent family in Iran. He was banished into an exile that took him to the Holy Land. It was there that he passed away in 1892. Today, the Bahá'i Faith is among the fastest-growing of the world's religions, with more than five million followers who reside in virtually every nation on earth.

Baha'is believe that there is one God; that women and men are equal; that all humanity is one family; and that there is a fundamental unity underlying religion. Baha'is recognize that the coming of Bahá'u'lláh has opened the age for the establishment of world peace, when, as anticipated in the sacred scriptures of the past, all humanity will achieve its spiritual and social maturity, and live as one united family in a just, global society.

Weekly open discussions: Every Sunday, 5.30 - 6.30pm at the Bahá'i Centre.

More info can be found at the National UK Bahá'i website, www.bahai.org.uk

Books and documents, etc. are available from the Bahá'i Centre, and in Brighton & Hove Libraries.

Baptists

A mainstream Christian church, focused on following Jesus: as individuals in evangelism and discipleship, fellowship and prayer, worship and ministry.

Holland Road Baptist Church
71 Holland Road, Hove, BN3 1JN
01273 732111
www.hrbc.org.uk
Sunday services: 10.30am & 6.30pm

Oasis Christian Fellowship
Hangleton Way, Hove, BN3 8EQ
01273 411116 - oasischristianfellowship@talktalkbusiness.net
www.oasischristianfellowship.org.uk
Minister, Andrew Edwards; Administrator, David Brill

One Church: Gloucester Place, Brighton, BN1 4AA
One Church: Florence Road, Brighton, BN1 6DL
01273 694746 info@onechurchbrighton.org
www.onechurchbrighton.org
Minister - Dave Steell (dave@onechurchbrighton.org)
Administrator - Michelle Cameron (michelle@onechurchbrighton.org)

Portslade Baptist Church
South Street, Portslade Old Village, BN41 2LE
www.portsladebaptist.org.uk
Sunday services: prayer time 10.15 am; morning service 11 am; evening service 6.30 pm to about 7.40 pm. Communion twice monthly: 1st Sunday evening & 3rd Sunday morning

Shoreham-by-sea Baptist Church
Western Road, Shoreham, BN43 5WD
01273 463 068
www.shorehambaptist.co.uk
Sunday services start at 10.30am and 6.30pm
Church office open (but phone first) Mon, Thurs & Fri, 9.30am - 12noon
01273 463068

West Hove Community Baptist Church
2 Rutland Road, Hove. BN3 5FF
Minister: Mr Nigel Riley
07570 408128 whcbc@yahoo.co.uk
www.whcbc.btik.co.uk
Service each Sunday at 10.30.am

Baptist Union of Great Britain
www.baptist.org.uk

Bodhisattva Kadampa Buddhist Centre

3 Lansdowne Rd, Brighton, BN3 1DN
Kelsang Rabten, Resident Teacher
01273 732917 info@meditateinbrighton.com

Something for everyone from drop-in meditation classes, stress relief, to Buddhist study classes. Open for tea & chats afternoons. Enjoy our Peace Garden.
Lunchtime meditation Wednesdays 12.30-1pm. Meditation & Buddhism Drop-in Classes Thursdays & Mondays 7.30-9pm; Suitable for beginners, no experience necessary.

Visitors welcomed weekday afternoons 2-4.30pm

www.meditateinbrighton.com

Bodhi Garden Buddhist Meditation

Manager: Richard Gilpin
07796 331167 info@bodhigarden.org.uk

The Bodhi Garden is a non-denominational Buddhist charity based in Brighton & Hove offering Buddhist teachings, weekend retreats, workshops and opportunities for meditation practice in the Brighton and Hove area

www.bodhigarden.org

Bodhi Tree Brighton

Bodhi Tree Brighton is an umbrella charity that offers shelter to a range of groups and events that explore Buddhist practice and build community.

Anahata Health Clinic,
119-120 Edward St, Brighton, BN2 OJL
01273 698687 abbiebodhitree@hotmail.co.uk
www.bodhitreebrighton.org.uk

Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University - Brighton

Linda Lee - Co-ordinator
01273 279481 brighton@uk.brahmakumaris.org

www.brahmakumaris.org/uk/brighton
facebook.com/BrahmaKumarisBrighton

The Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University (UK) teaches Raja Yoga as a way of experiencing peace of mind and a positive approach to life.

The university provides opportunities for people from all religious and cultural backgrounds to explore their own spirituality and learn skills of reflection and meditation derived from Raja Yoga, which will help develop inner calm, clear thinking and personal well-being.

Across the UK we work with national and local organisations and community groups in such areas such as inter-religious dialogue, youth programmes, prison outreach, social work and women's and men's groups. BKWSU (UK) was established as a UK charity in 1975 and charges no fees for any of its activities, being funded by voluntary contributions.

The university is part of a worldwide network of over 9,000 centres in more than 100 countries, the first of which was founded in India in the 1930's.

Brighton Buddhist Centre - Triratna Buddhist Community

17 Tichborne Street, North Laine, Brighton, BN1 1UR
01273 772090
www.brightonbuddhistcentre.co.uk
Mokshini, Chairperson

Part of the Triratna Buddhist Community: formerly *Friends of the Western Buddhist Order*.

As well as celebrating the major Buddhist festivals, we teach Buddhist meditation, classes on Buddhism, yoga, and run regular courses and retreats for our practice community.

For newcomers there are lunchtime, evening and Saturday morning Drop In classes to which all welcome, as well as introductory meditation and Buddhism seven week courses for a thorough grounding in the practices.

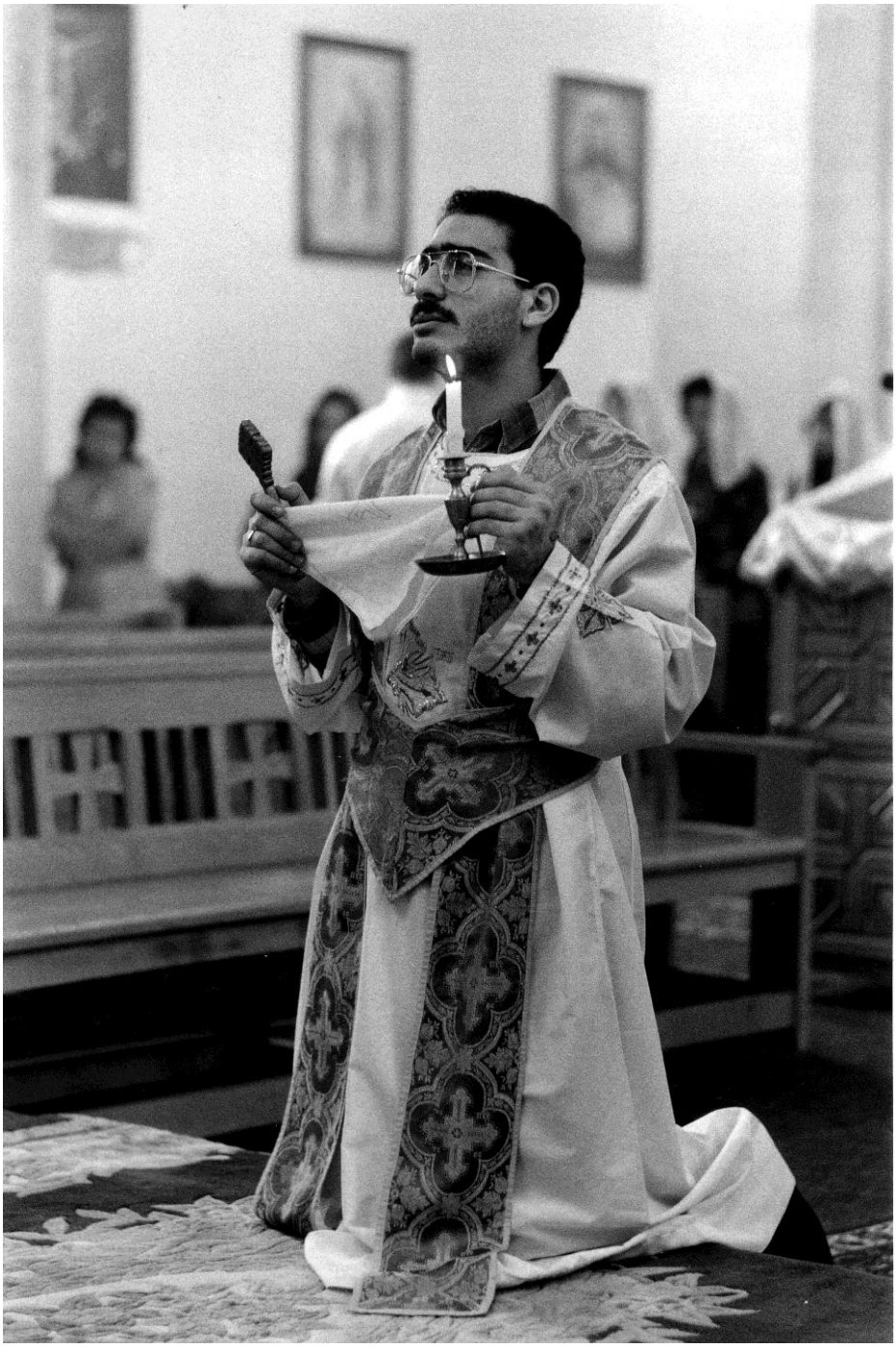
Other regular activities take place throughout the week and weekends - a programme of events is available from the Centre or on the website.

We have a small shrine room available during the day for personal meditation or just to have a place of quiet, which anyone is welcome to use. We also have a bookshop with a wide range of books, incense, Buddha figures, bells etc.

We are open for visiting every weekday: 12.30 - 2.30pm; or phone between 10am and 4pm.

Groups and classes run in Eastbourne, Croydon, Lewes, Tonbridge, Worthing and Southampton, as well as Rivendell Retreat Centre near Uckfield.

For more info also visit www.thebuddhistcentre.com



Brighton Chinese Christian Church

Meeting at the URC Christian Centre
Saunders Park Rise West, Brighton, BN2 4EU

Elder Z.F. Truong
01903 767354 (or 07948591671)

Brighton National Spiritualist Church

62 Edward Street, Brighton, BN2 2JR
01273 683088 (or 01323 419852)
www.brightonnationalspiritualistchurch.com
Joan Bygrave, President
01273 683088
Secretary, Michelle Lieberman
01273 571168

Services on Sundays at 11am and 6.30pm and on Wednesday at 7.30pm
Healing on Wednesdays 11am to 1pm and Thursdays 7pm to 8pm
Awareness Groups meet on Fridays at 7.30pm
Special events some Saturdays as advertised

There are a few steps inside the building. Wheelchair users would require some assistance.

Brighton & Hove Spiritualist Church and Sanctuary of Healing

9-10 Boundary Passage, Nr. Norfolk Square, Brighton, BN1 3BJ
www.brightonandhovespiritualistchurch.org
paulbarton@ntlworld.com

Established 1903

For further information see website above or contact our President, Deborah Knowles
01273 731329

Brighton & Hove Humanists

Contact: Fleur Jacot
01273 461404 fleurjacot@btinternet.com
http://homepage.ntlworld.com/robert.stovold/humanist.html

The Society meets on the first Wednesday of every month (except August) at 7:30pm (8:00pm start) at The Lord Nelson Inn, Trafalgar Street, Brighton BN1 4WQ

The Lord Nelson Inn is a short walk from Brighton Railway station and seven bus stops (6, 7, 27, 27A, 37, 50A, 56). It is also a short distance from London Road bus stops (alight at St. Peter's Church). There are good parking facilities nearby.

Meetings usually take the form of a talk followed by a period of informal discussion. Everyone is welcome, from existing humanists to people who haven't got a clue what humanism is about and just happen to be interested in the topic under discussion. You don't have to be a member to attend, and admission is free.

Brotherhood Gate Spiritualist Church

21c St James's St, Brighton, BN2 1RF
01273 688219 between 9am and 8pm only

Please telephone for details and times of services.

Disabled access not easy

Buddhist - Maitrikara, Tibetan Buddhist Group

24 Freshfield Street, Brighton, BN2 9ZG
01273 675803 info@maitrikara.org.uk
www.maitrikara.org

Maitrikara runs regular study and practice groups which normally take place on weekday evenings as well as occasional weekend study and practice days. There is also a Sussex University meditation and mindfulness group that has regular meetings at Falmer campus.

For more information please visit our Facebook page, web-site or contact us by phone or email.

Please note that the meetings are not drop-in groups, so please contact us if you are interested in attending.

Calvary Evangelical Church

Pastor Phillip Wells
72 Viaduct Road, Brighton, BN1 4ND
01273 687721
www.calvary-brighton.org.uk

Christian Science

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 97 Montpelier Road, Brighton, BN1 3BE
01273 325100

Christian Science Reading Room open to the public
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fridays: 11.00am to 3.00pm

Christian Science Committee on Publication
01273 302705
www.tfccs.com

Christian Science was founded by Mary Baker Eddy to reinstate primitive Christianity and its lost element of healing. Its teachings are based solely on the Bible, both the old and new testaments.

Church services are at 11.00 am on Sundays and at 7.30 pm on Wednesdays. All are welcome. Access to the church is on ground level.

The Christian Science textbook is Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy. Other books by Mrs Eddy, several books on Christian Science and biographies of Mrs Eddy can be bought, or borrowed or read at the Reading Room or obtained from most public libraries. The Christian Science Monitor, Journal, Sentinel, and Quarterly can also be obtained from the Reading Room or on subscription.

Church of Christ the King (Clarendon Trust)

www.cck.org.uk

Clarendon Centre
47 New England Street, Brighton, BN14GQ
Sunday services: 10.30am & 6.30pm

The Shoreham Centre
2 Pond Rd, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5WU
Sunday service: 10.30am

Office
21/23 Clarendon Villas, Hove, BN3 3RE
01273 747687 office@cck.co.uk
Office opening Hours: 9am - 5pm, Mon - Fri

All sites are accessible to disabled people

Church of England

Diocesan Office: Church House, 211 New Church Road, Hove, BN3 3ED
01273 421021 / 425686
www.diochi.org.uk

The Church of England is one of the Christian churches in England and traces its origins back to a mission sent by Pope Gregory the Great in the sixth century CE. Christians had been here long before that, perhaps even in the years immediately following the time of Jesus himself. Christians worship on Sunday, the first day of the week, in commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus.

The Church of England is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, a fellowship of dioceses (local churches) organised in about 38 autonomous "provinces" with approximately 70 million members.

Brighton and Hove is part of the Diocese of Chichester which covers the whole of Sussex, East and West. In Brighton and Hove there are over 50 Anglican church buildings, with an average total Sunday attendance of about 5,000 served by approximately 50 clergy (priests and deacons.) In the city there are 8 Church of England schools whose combined membership is about 1800.

All Saints Church
The Drive, Hove, BN3 3QE
01273 733331 office@allsaintshove.org
www.allsaintshove.org

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon)

Brighton ward
109 Lewes Road, Brighton, BN2 3QA
01273 679948
Steve Bills, Bishop
01273 465381 steve.bills@ericsson.com
www.lds.org.uk

Services are held 10pm to 1pm every Sunday

Disabled facilities including a lift and toilets

Church of Scientology

Third Floor, 79/83 North Street, Churchill Square, Brighton, BN1 1ZA
01273 326000 brighton@scientology.net

Developed by L. Ron Hubbard, Scientology is a religion that offers a precise path leading to a complete and certain understanding of one's true spiritual nature and one's relationship to self, family, groups, Mankind, all life forms, the material universe, the spiritual universe and the Supreme Being.

We are open from 8:30am to 10:00pm Mon-Fri, and from 8:30am to 6:00pm Sat-Sun

www.scientology-brighton.org

Coptic Orthodox Church

St. Mary and St. Abraham
Davigdor Road, Hove, BN3 1RF

www.stmary-stabraam.co.uk/english/index.html

01273 736636

Confucianism

www.religioustolerance.org/confuciu.htm

Confucius Institute Network UK
www.confuciusinstitute.manchester.ac.uk

Elim Pentecostal Church

www.elim.org.uk

Immanuel Family Church

The Fountain Centre, Braybon Avenue, Brighton, BN1 8HG
07880 747978 (or 07825 664313) info@ifclife.org.uk
www.ifclife.org.uk

Elim Oasis Christian Fellowship - Newhaven

Meeching Rise, Southway, Newhaven, BN9 9LB
01273 612169 pastorgcollins@yahoo.co.uk

Greek Orthodox Church

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Carlton Hill, Brighton, BN2 2GW
01273 675396
Parish priest: Father Germanos
01273 746653 (or 07920177505)
Chairman: Stephen Papadopoulos
01273 273998
Secretary: Flora Papanicolaou
07903502068 florapapa@gmail.com

Hindu

Swami Naran Hindu Temple
79A Trafalgar Road, Portslade-on-Sea, BN41 1XD
01273 420200 brighton@isso.org.uk
www.swaminarayan.info

For opening times and information about the activities at the temple -
Virjibhai Rupani
01273 603459

For Hospital Chaplaincy matters -
Milind Jani
01273 563340

For information of various Hindu activities and Religious Festivals –
Secretary of the Gujarati Cultural Society (GCS)
Mukesh Patel
01273 690214

Islam - Muslim communities and traditions

Before visiting, please ring for opening hours, prayer times and meetings.

Makki Masjid al-Quds
150 Dyke Road, Brighton, BN1 5PA
01273 505247 (or 01273 506472) info@brightonmmosque.com

Al-Madina Mosque
24 Bedford Place, Brighton, BN1 2PT
01273 737721 almedinamosque@gmail.com

Shahjalal Mosque
252 Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5QT
01273 323990 (or 01273 819806) mhckowdhury@hotmail.co.uk

Muslim Student Centre
University of Sussex, Falmer House, Brighton, BN1 9QF
01273 606755 x 3322 ussu.isoc@yahoo.com
www.ussu.net/islamic

University of Brighton Muslim Society
Student Union Reception, Cockcroft Building, Lewes Road, Brighton BN2 4GJ
info@ubms.org.uk
www.ubms.org.uk

Brighton & Hove Muslim Forum
Community Base, 113 Queens Road, Brighton, BN1 3XG
08713 109986 info@bhmf.org.uk

Chair: Tariq Jung 07958771411. Vice Chair: Sabri Ben Ameur 07867773723.
Secretary: Daoud Clarke (07990504494. Policy Advisor: Kadeer Arif 07816563698.
Project Coordinator: Omar Ali 07590073336
www.bhmf.org.uk

Brighton & Hove Muslim Forum is a non profit organisation hoping to serve the religious, social, and cultural needs of the Brighton & Hove Muslim Community. Our primary aim is to provide support and weekend activities for Muslim children and to work and assist with projects for Muslim women.

Brighton Islamic Mission
Established in 1980: to promote, to produce accurate information, and to support Muslims in religious, social, cultural, spiritual and political areas.

Imam Dr Abduljalil Sajid
20 Wilberforce Close, Tollgate Hill, West Sussex, RH11 9TD
01293 201359 (or 07971 861972) imamsajid@gmail.com

Jain

There is no public place of worship in the Brighton & Hove area.

For further information please contact -
Dr Amrut Shah
68 Hollingbury Road, Brighton, BN1 7JA
01273 559921

Jainism is an Indian religion followed by several millions of people in India and by a sizeable number of migrant Jains in Europe, East Africa and North America. The name Jain is derived from a word in the ancient Indian language of Sanskrit Jina meaning 'victor' over the passions and the self.

Institute of Jainology
www.jainology.org

Jain Centre in Leicester
www.jaincentreleicester.com

Jehovah's Witnesses

www.watchtower.org

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
180 Warren Road, Woodingdean, Brighton, BN2 6DD
Mr Denis Cave
01273 673409

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
2 Osmond Road, Brighton, BN3 1TE
R. Early
01273 329505
Mr T. Marriott
01273 509452

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
37 Reynolds Road, Hove BN3 5RJ
Mr R. Baker
01273 592399
Mr P Yeates
01273 731152

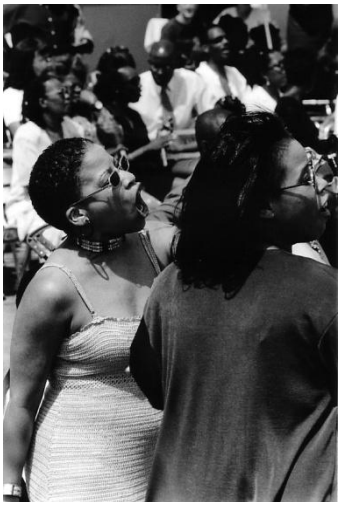
Accessibility: Flat access to meeting places; Hearing loop installed

Jesus Army

Jesus Fellowship Church
Abundant Grace House
Firle Road, Seaford, BN25 2JE
01323 892000 kroon@talk21.com
www.jesus.org.uk

Christian charismatic church. Meeting Sunday mornings at
Phoenix Community Centre, Phoenix Place, Brighton

During the week we hire a room at Blimey O'Reilly's, Western Road Hove for chat, friendship and prayer



Jewish Community

Jewish Community Representative Council
info@sussexjewishrepresentativecouncil.org
Chair: Beryl Sharpe 01273 734300
Hon. Secretary: Jessica Rosenthal jessica.rosenthal@gmail.com

General enquiries and details on Synagogues -
01273 747722

ORTHODOX

Brighton & Hove Hebrew Congregation - West Hove Synagogue
29-31 New Church Road, Hove, BN3 4AD
01273 888855
Rabbi Hershel Rader
http://bhhc-shul.org

Middle Street Synagogue
66 Middle Street, Brighton, BN1 1AL
Magnificent architecture: Open to visitors on various occasions throughout the year.
01273 888855

Hove Hebrew Congregation
79 Holland Road, Hove, BN3 1JN
Rabbi Vivian Silverman
01273 732035 hollandroadshul@btconnect.com

REFORM

Brighton and Hove Reform Synagogue
Palmeira Avenue, Hove, BN3 3GE
Rabbi Dr Andrea Zanardo
01273 735343
www.bh-rs.org

PROGRESSIVE

Brighton and Hove Progressive Synagogue
6 Lansdowne Road, Hove, BN3 1FF
01273 737223 info@bhps-online.org FB&T: @BHPS2011
Rabbi Elizabeth Tikvah Sarah: www.rabbiellisarah.com FB&T: @rabbiellisarah
Administrator's office hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm
www.brightonandhoveprosynagogue.org.uk

CHABAD LUBAVITCH

15 The Upper Drive, Brighton, BN3 6GR
Director: Rabbi Pesach Efune
01273 321919
www.lubavitchbrighton.com
07885 538681 for prison/university/hospital chaplaincy

Korean Christian Community Church

Worshipping at Hove Methodist Church
Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5DR

Reverend Un Bog Bark
01273 324600

Methodist

Information about the Methodist Church in the UK www.methodist.org.uk

There are 5 Methodist churches in Brighton & Hove:

Dorset Gardens Methodist Church
Dorset Gardens, Brighton, BN2 1RL
01273 605502 office@dgmc.org.uk
www.dgmc.org.uk
Minister: Rev Robin Selmes
HIV/AIDS Chaplain: Rev. Heather Leake Date

Hove Methodist Church
Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5DR
01273 324600 hmc.hove@tiscali.co.uk
www.hovemethodistchurch.co.uk
Minister: Rev. Andy Lowe (also Superintendent Minister of the B&H Methodist Circuit)

Patcham Methodist Church
Ladies Mile Road, Patcham, Brighton, BN1 8QE
01273 554953 www.patchammethodistchurch.co.uk
Minister: Rev Dermot Thornberry

Stanford Avenue Methodist Church
Stanford Avenue, Brighton, BN1 6FD
01273 554141 stanfordmethodist@btconnect.com
www.stanfordavenuemeth.co.uk
Minister: Rev Dermot Thornberry

Woodingdean Methodist Church
The Ridgway, Brighton, BN2 6PA
01273 309283 info@woodingdeanmethodistchurch.co.uk
www.woodingdeanmethodistchurch.co.uk
Minister: Rev Dermot Thornberry

Plymouth Brethren

The Plymouth Brethren is a conservative, Evangelical Christian movement.

www.brethrenonline.org

www.plymouthbrethren.org

Polish (Catholic) Community Church

Polish Centre, 78 Farm Road, Hove, BN3 1FD
Father Krzysztof Kozakiewicz
01273 205864

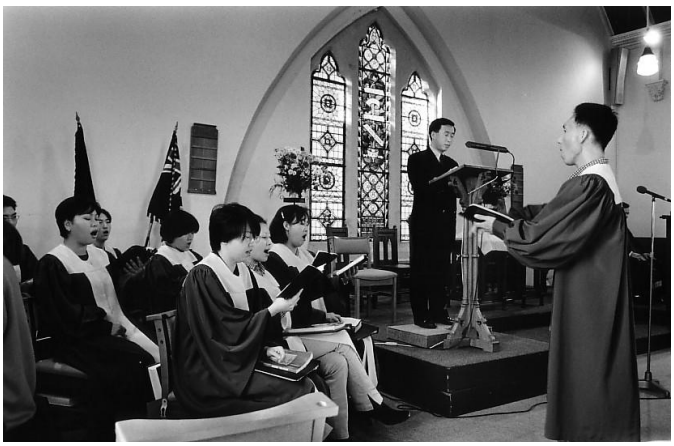
Quakers - The Religious Society of Friends

Brighton Meeting
Friends Meeting House, Ship Street, Brighton, BN1 1AF
01273 770258 admin@brightonquakers.net
www.brightonquakers.net

Quakers believe there is that of God in everyone; that all people may have direct experience of this, both in worship and in their daily lives; and that religion is about how we live in this world in the here and now. Our worship is mostly in silence.

We meet together in the Meeting House every Sunday: from 9.30am until 10.15am; from 10.30 until 11.30 am (which is our main Meeting for Worship. There is also a Children's Meeting at this time) and from 5pm until 5.45pm. We also meet in the Quiet Room on Wednesdays from 12.30pm until 1pm. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.

There are books and pamphlets about our faith and practice in the library room in our Meeting House.



Roman Catholic

Dean: Fr Jerry O'Brian
St Peter, Portland Road, Hove
01273 733840

www.dabnet.org

Catholics believe in one God who created all that is, and who for love of the world redeemed us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and who sustains us by the Holy Spirit He is present everywhere, and especially in His Word and sacraments in the Church. We share the faith of the Apostles which is passed down to us in scripture and living tradition. We believe that all people are made in God's image and enjoy equal human dignity, and the basic rule of life is to love and serve God and each other.

There are thirteen parishes plus the University Chaplaincy in the Brighton & Hove Deanery.

Times of services and other information are available from the following:

BRIGHTON

St John the Baptist, Bristol Road, Brighton
Revd David Foley

St. Joseph, Elm Grove
01273 386159

St. Mary Magdalen, Upper North Street
01273 326793

St. Mary, Surrenden Road
01273 554509

St. Francis, Moulsecoomb
01273 601606

St. Thomas More, Patcham
01273 563017

University Chaplaincy, Falmer
01273 698032

HOVE

Sacred Heart, Norton Road
01273 732843

St. Peter, Portland Road
01273 733840

St.Georges, East Blatchington
01273 503647

There are 5 primary schools and Cardinal Newman Comprehensive School in the Upper Drive, Hove - 01273 558551.

Books and pamphlets are available in most churches and Bernadette's Bookshops, which is situated in St. John the Baptist parish buildings, as is the Social Concerns Office - 01273 572244.

Russian Orthodox Church

Diocese of Sourozh, Parish of the Nativity
15 Barnett Rd, Brighton
01273 553230

Regular worship most Sundays at 11.45am at the church of St Thomas a Becket, Cliffe High Street, Lewes.

Services largely in English

Salvation Army

Christian Church and registered charity. The Salvation Army endeavours to provide varied and inclusive worship, always being willing to connect with people in order to bring them to Christ, help them grow in faith and actively serve them.

Congress Hall
1-6 Park Crescent Terrace, Brighton , BN2 3HD
01273 553890 admin@salvationarmybch.org.uk
Major Jorgen Booth, Commanding officer

Sunday meetings at 10:15am and 6:15pm

www.salvationarmybch.org.uk

Hove Citadel
159 Sackville Road, Hove, BN3 3HD
01273 323072

Sunday Services at 11am and 6pm. Bible Study 7.30pm.

Lunches served Wednesday 12.00noon. Boys Club (ages 5-8) Monday 6pm.
Brownies, Wednesday 6pm. Parent and Toddler Group, Tuesday 10am.
Over Sixty Club, Wednesday 2.30pm.

Accessibility: No steps from Conway Street entrance. Disabled toilet at entrance. Ramp leading to additional hall

Shinto

Shinto (or Shintoism) is the indigenous spirituality of Japan and the people of Japan.

http://eos.kokugakuin.ac.jp/modules/xwords/

Sikhs

There are no Sikh cultural centres in the Brighton & Hove area.

Sikhs focus their lives around their relationship with God, and being a part of the Sikh community. The Sikh ideal combines action and belief. To live a good life a person should do good deeds as well as meditating on God.

Sikh Council for Interfaith Relations UK
Contact: Mr. Indarjit Singh
43 Dorset Road, Merton Park, London, SW19 3EZ
0181 540 4148

Sikh Cultural Society of Great Britain
Contact: Amar Singh Chhatwal
88 Mollison Way, Edgware Middlesex, HA8 5QW
0181 952 1215

Sikh Educational and Cultural Association (UK)
Contact: Mr. K S Singh
Sat Nam Cottage
3 Compton Gardens, Kinver Nr Stourbridge, Dudley West Midlands, DY7 6DS
01384 873379

Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Southall
www.sgsss.org

Taoism

Taoism is an ancient tradition of philosophy and religious belief that is deeply rooted in Chinese customs and worldview.

www.taoism-uk.org

Unitarians

Brighton Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton, BN1 1UF
01273 696022 buc@brightonunitarian.org.uk

www.brightonunitarian.org.uk

We are a spiritual community who encourage you to think for yourself and to nurture your own spiritual dimension. Unitarians feel that everyone has to find their own belief system, and we do not insist on any doctrine or dogma being accepted. The final authority for your faith lies within your own conscience.

We meet at 11am on Sundays. All are welcome to attend.

Quiet Reflection last Sunday in the month 6.30 p.m. led by Jef Jones, Lay Leader.

The church has a loop hearing system and ramp to facilitate access.

Newsletters and pamphlets are available in the church.

United Reformed Church

With the whole Christian Church the United Reformed Church believes in one God, father, Son and Holy Spirit. The life of faith to which we are called is the Spirit's gift, continually received through the Word, the Sacraments and our Christian life together.

There are seven United Reformed Churches in Brighton and Hove. Communion is celebrated once a month in the morning service. Further details of times and places of worship can be obtained from -

Brighthelm Church and Community Centre
North Road, Brighton, BN1 1YD
01273 821512
Rev. Alex Mabbs minister@brighthelm.org.uk
Jan Curry, Church Secretary
www.brighthelm.org.uk

Hounsom Memorial URC
209 Nevill Avenue, Hove, BN3 7NG
01273 725325

Ministers as for Hove Central URC

Hove Central URC
100A Blatchington Road, Hove, BN3 3YF
01273 549922
Rev. Charles Martin 01273 725325
www.centralurchove.com

Lewes Road URC
Saunders Park Rise West, Lewes Road, Brighton, BN2 4EU
01273 674611
Rev. Graeme Allan 01273 303496

Portslade URC
Station Road, Portslade, BN41 4AB

Ministers as for Hove Central URC

St Martins URC, Saltdean
Longridge Avenue, Saltdean, BN2 8LR
01273 303496
Rev. Graeme Allan
www.portslade-urc.org.uk

Telscombe Cliffs URC
Buckhurst Road, Telscombe Cliffs, BN10 7AH
01273 584825
Rev. Peter Elliott

Wicca / Pagan

Pagan Federation – South East
www.paganfed.org www.pfse.org.uk
info@pfse.org.uk

MOOTS

Anderida Gorsedd Moot
The Ship Inn, Southwick
Talking stick moot: Second Monday of each month: 8pm
info@anderidagorsedd.org
www.anderidagorsedd.org

Brighton - Haegtesse Seidr Group
Times and Dates variable
Info: DM@pfse.org.uk

Brighton - Pubmoot Pagan-Folk
The Northern Lights Pub
6 Little East Street, Brighton
3rd Wednesday of the Month: 8pm to 10.30pm
Info: DM@pfse.org.uk

Portslade
1st Mon of month at The Stanley Arms
www.bardicarts.com

Zoroastrian

There is no public place of worship in the Brighton & Hove area

For further information about the Zoroastrain faith please contact -
Tehmtan Framroze, 24 Roundway, Coldean, Brighton, BN1 9AQ
01273 686981

Zoroastrian Trust Funds of Europe
www.ztfe.com

RESOURCES FOR INTER-RELIGIOUS CONTACT & INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE
- LOCAL AREA -

Brighton & Hove INTER-FAITH CONTACT GROUP (IFCG)
Community Base, 113 Queens Road, Brighton, BN1 3XG
www.interfaithcontactgroup.com

ESCIS - the East Sussex COMMUNITY INFORMATION SERVICE
pages on beliefs and faith
www.escis.org.uk/Directory/All_areas/Community_and_Living/Beliefs_and_Faith

Brighton & Hove LIBRARIES

Jubilee Street, Brighton, BN1 1GE
Contact
01273 290800 libraries@brighton-hove.gov.uk

182-186 Church Road, Hove, BN3 2EG
01273 296937 libraries@brighton-hove.gov.uk

www.brighton-hove-rpml.org.uk/Libraries

Brighton & Hove CITY COUNCIL
www.brighton-hove.gov.uk

Brighton & Hove City Council - Communities Team
Kings House, Grand Avenue, Hove, BN3 2LS
01273 291112

SACRE - Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education

RE Adviser, Children, Families and Schools -
Room 319, King's House, Grand Avenue, Hove, BN3 2LS
01273 293738

SACRE Clerk -
Room 320, King's House, Grand Avenue, Hove, BN3 2LS
01273 293513

Brighton & Hove City Council - Social care services
01273 295555

Brighton & Hove HOSPITALS CHAPLAINCY and Spiritual Care Department
Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust
Eastern Rd, Brighton BN2 5BE
01273 696955 ext. 7495 or 4122
www.bsuh.nhs.uk

Brighton & Hove COMMUNITY BASE
A base for community and voluntary groups in Brighton and Hove
www.communitybase.org

Brighton & Hove (Sussex) POLICE LIAISON
www.sussex.police.uk/your-neighbourhood/your-district/brighton-and-hove

UK Government - Department for COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
www.communities.gov.uk/corporate

RESOURCES FOR INTER-RELIGIOUS CONTACT & INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE
- NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL -

The INTER FAITH NETWORK for the UK
8A Lower Grosvenor Place
London, SW1W 0EN
020 7931 7766
www.interfaith.org.uk

Council for a PARLIAMENT OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS
PO Box 1630, Chicago, IL 60690-1630, USA
(001) 312-629 2990
www.cpwr.org

The BBC's GUIDE TO RELIGIONS AND BELIEFS from around the world
www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions

Wikipedia – INTER-FAITH
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interfaith_dialog

UNESCO
The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco

There will be no peace among the nations without peace among the religions. There will be no peace among the religions without dialogue among the religions.

Hans Küng

INTER-RELIGIOUS CONTACT & INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE

CODE OF CONDUCT

The IFCG is affiliated to **The Inter Faith Network for the UK** and endorses its code of conduct - *Building Good Relations with People of Different Faiths and Beliefs: Short guidelines for inter religious encounter and dialogue*.

BUILDING GOOD RELATIONS WITH PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT FAITHS AND BELIEFS

In Britain today, people of many different faiths and beliefs live side by side. The opportunity lies before us to work together to build a society rooted in the values we treasure. But this society can only be built on a sure foundation of mutual respect, openness and trust. This means finding ways to live our lives of faith with integrity, and allowing others to do so too. Our different religious traditions offer us many resources for this and teach us the importance of good relationships characterised by honesty, compassion and generosity of spirit. The Inter Faith Network offers the following code of conduct for encouraging and strengthening these relationships.

As members of the human family, we should show each other respect and courtesy. In our dealings with people of other faiths and beliefs this means exercising good will and:

- Respecting other people's freedom within the law to express their beliefs and convictions
- Learning to understand what others actually believe and value, and letting them express this in their own terms
- Respecting the convictions of others about food, dress and social etiquette and not behaving in ways which cause needless offence
- Recognising that all of us at times fall short of the ideals of our own traditions and never comparing our own ideals with other people's practices
- Working to prevent disagreement from leading to conflict
- Always seeking to avoid violence in our relationships.

When we talk about matters of faith with one another, we need to do so with sensitivity, honesty and straightforwardness. This means:

- Recognising that listening as well as speaking is necessary for a genuine conversation
- Being honest about our beliefs and religious allegiances
- Not misrepresenting or disparaging other people's beliefs and practices
- Correcting misunderstanding or misrepresentations not only of our own but also of other faiths whenever we come across them
- Being straightforward about our intentions
- Accepting that in formal inter faith meetings there is a particular responsibility to ensure that the religious commitment of all those who are present will be respected.

All of us want others to understand and respect our views. Some people will also want to persuade others to join their faith. In a multi faith society where this is permitted, the attempt should always be characterised by self-restraint and a concern for the other's freedom and dignity. This means:

- Respecting another person's expressed wish to be left alone
- Avoiding imposing ourselves and our views on individuals or communities who are in vulnerable situations in ways which exploit these
- Being sensitive and courteous
- Avoiding violent action or language, threats, manipulation, improper inducements, or the misuse of any kind of power
- Respecting the right of others to disagree with us.

Living and working together is not always easy. Religion harnesses deep emotions which can sometimes take destructive forms. Where this happens, we must draw on our faith to bring about reconciliation and understanding. The truest fruits of religion are healing and positive. We have a great deal to learn from one another which can enrich us without undermining our own identities. Together, listening and responding with openness and respect, we can move forward to work in ways that acknowledge genuine differences but build on shared hopes and values.

The above code can be requested or downloaded from The Inter Faith Network for the UK, whose address can be found in the *Resources for Inter-Religious Contact & Inter-Faith Dialogue (National & International)* section in this directory.

RECENT ADDITIONS & UPDATES TO THIS DIRECTORY

Since the original software and document template are no longer available, the IFCG Directory in this format is no longer updated. Although corrections to the existing text can be made, new entries cannot easily be inserted. This has meant recent additions appear below rather than in the main body.

In future, the IFCG Directory might appear in a new, online format compiled in co-operation with a number of other organisations.

Progressive Christians

Phoenix Faith Community

Meeting at Brighthelm Church and Community Centre
07880 366513 ruthscottconnolly@gmail.com

www.phoenixfaithcommunity.org Or follow us on Facebook

An inclusive community: looking at new ways of addressing the Christian faith; and working with other faiths.

Community of Interbeing

Pebbles Sangha

0333 044 2435 www.pebblessangha.com

We are part of the UK Community of Interbeing - www.coiuk.org

Pebbles Sangha meets at Patcham Community Centre, Ladies Mile Road, Patcham, on two Saturday mornings a month (usually the first and third) from 9.45am till 12.15pm, with the option to stay for a shared lunch. The meeting is usually held in room 3, on the first floor. A lift is available and the venue is accessible for wheelchair users.

Our practice is based on the teachings of Thich Nhat Hanh, a Vietnamese Zen Master. Thich Nhat Hanh's teaching is based on conscious breathing and being fully aware of the present moment - the only moment in which we really live and in which joy is possible. This allows us to discover that "There is no way to happiness - happiness is the way". Practice includes guided, walking and sitting meditation, sharing readings, listening to dharma talks and sharing from the heart and deep listening.

Beginners are very welcome and further information can be found on our website.

The White Eagle Lodge

Wisdom for life

Enquiries: contact Michaela Hurcomb 01323 652341 mhurcomb@hotmail.co.uk.

Brighton: Amethyst Ray Group for Discussion and Meditation Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7.30pm until 9pm except August.
For venue Contact Hannah Hill 07546 582899

Eastbourne: Monthly meeting with White Eagle readings, meditation, world healing and contact healing - 2nd Sunday 3pm.
Deerfold Centre, 233 Seaside (corner of Carlton Rd), Eastbourne, BN21 7NR
Michaela Hurcomb 01323 652341 mhurcomb@hotmail.co.uk

Worthing: Monthly meeting with readings, meditation, world healing and contact healing. 1st Thurs. 2.30pm - except December when it is 2nd Thurs
The Friends Meeting House 34 Mill Road, Worthing, and BN11 5DR
Jenny Baker 01903 244860

Absent Healing groups are held in Brighton, Crowborough, Ashford, Eastbourne and Worthing.
Michaela Hurcomb 01323 652341 mhurcomb@hotmail.co.uk

The teaching of the White Eagle Lodge is based on an ancient wisdom, embracing the inner truth at the heart of many spiritual traditions and underpinning much of the world's religious and spiritual teaching. This teaching helps us to understand the purpose of our earthly journey, supporting us in living our lives in harmony with divine law.

Every man, woman and child has within their being a 'light' to guide them. White Eagle calls this the Christ spirit, the spirit of universal love. The word 'Christ' is meant universally, and is not linked with any particular religion.

White Eagle's teaching helps us develop our true nature, so that our inner, spiritual light can radiate throughout our whole being, and out into the world to bless, heal and comfort, bringing peace and harmony for all life. The Lodge offers the opportunity to follow a universal spiritual path of brotherhood to all life, in a variety of ways, such as in healing and meditation, attending retreats, workshops and courses, and in studying and applying the spiritual science of astrology, all as part of our unfolding Wisdom school.

You are warmly welcomed to come along to any of our regional activities, listed above, to discover the beauty and simplicity of a gentle way of service.

The Society of Saint Pius X

Church of the Holy Family
Hollingdean Street, Brighton, BN1 7GQ

The Society of Saint Pius X is a priestly society, founded in 1970 by His Grace, Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre to provide training for the Catholic priesthood in conformity with the Church's Traditional teaching.

Sunday Masses are celebrated on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month at 12.30pm

For more information please contact St George's House on 0208 946 7916

www.sspx.co.uk

Rigpa South Downs

112 Malling Street, Lewes BN7 2RG
07886 249227 south.downs@rigpa.org.uk

Rigpa South Downs is part of a wider organisation that Sogyal Rinpoche founded in 1979. Inspired by the meaning of the word *rigpa* - the innermost, essential nature of mind – Sogyal Rinpoche gave this as the name for his work and to the vehicle he was developing to serve the Buddha's teaching in the West. Today, Rigpa has more than 130 centres in 30 countries around the world.

Rigpa aims to present the Buddhist tradition of Tibet in a way that is both completely authentic and as relevant as possible to the lives and needs of modern men and women. Open to all schools and traditions of Buddhist wisdom, and with the guidance and gracious patronage of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Rigpa offers those following the Buddhist teachings a complete path of study and practice, along with the environment they need to experience the teachings fully.

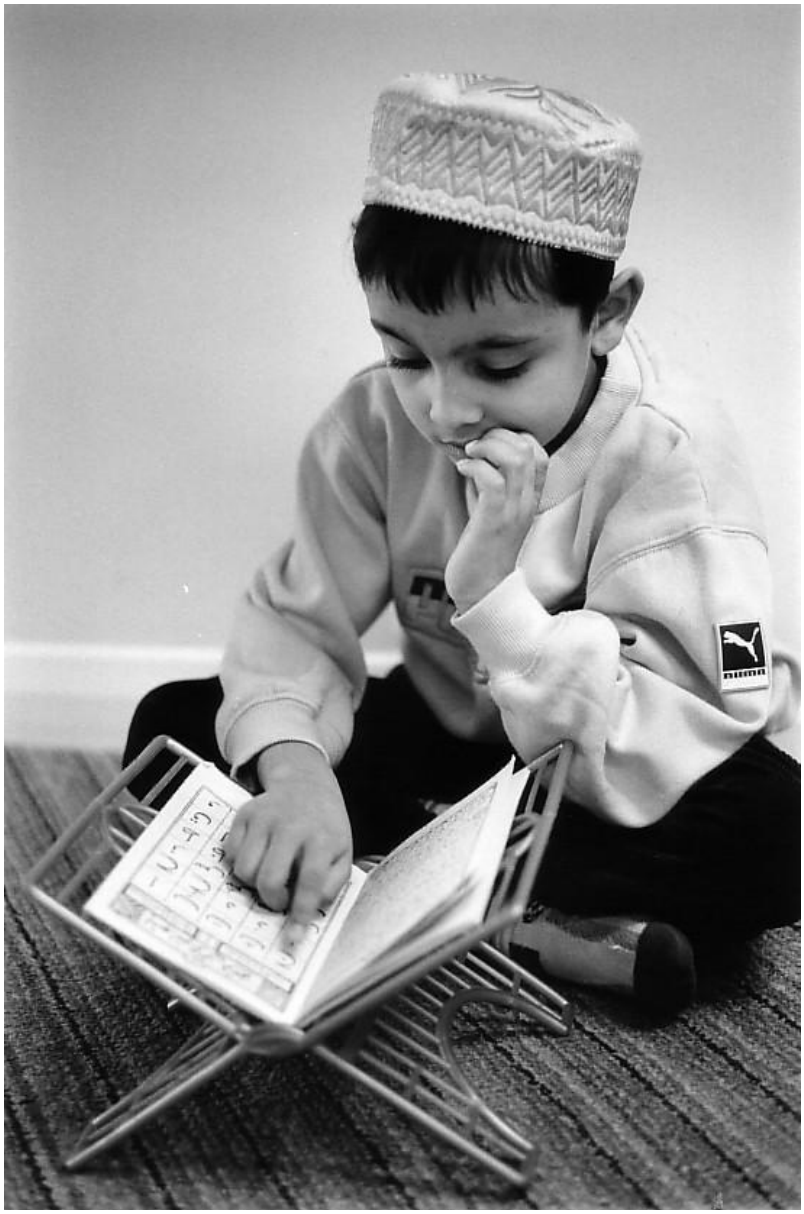
St Peter's Church

York Place, Brighton, BN1 4GU
01273 698182

www.stpetersbrighton.org

An Anglican church planted from Holy Trinity Brompton in 2009, building a community in one of the most iconic and recognised buildings in the heart of Brighton, with a vision to play our part in the re-evangelisation of the nations and the transformation of society.

Sunday Services at 8.30am - Holy Communion; at 10am – an informal service with cafe, including groups for children; and at 6pm – an informal service with cafe. These times are about making friends, worshipping God freely, hearing a short life-impacting talk and praying for any needs people may have.



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