Stillpoint 2017

This year in the stillpoint reflections the focus will be on a short passage of scripture and a related except from some of the classic Christian writers from the past. Most of the themes have been adapted from the book “Christian Classics Day by Day – A Year of Daily Readings” complied by Robert Backhouse. Published by Hodder and Stoughton, 1995.

March 19th

Theme: To Keep a True Lent

Scripture: Matthew 4: 1-11

Except: “To Keep A True Lent” by Robert Herrick (1591-1674)

May 21st

Theme: Silence and Solitude

Scripture: Luke 6: 12-19

Excerpt: From “The Imitation of Christ” by Thomas á Kempsis (1591- 1674)

July 23rd

Theme: Love and Charity

Scripture: I Corinthians 13: 1-13

Excerpt: From “The Dark Night of the Soul” by St John of the Cross (1542- 1591)

September 17th

Theme: Perserverence

Scripture: James 1: 2-11

Excerpt: From “The Song of Songs” by Bernard of Clairvaux (1009- 1153)

November 19th

Theme: A Gift of Jesus

Scripture: Matthew 2: 1-12

Excerpt: From “Private Prayers” by Bishop Lancelot Andrewes (1555 – 1626)

As always stillpoint will continue with the format of being an hour in duration from 7-8pm on the thrid Sunday of every second month. It will continue to be held in St Georges Church which will be lit with candles to create an atmosphere of peace, quiet and stillness. During that hour the readings will be read aloud but the majority of the time is devoted simply to silence to allow time for contemplation and reflection. Occassionally some reflective sacred music will play. People are free to sit where they like within the church.