

## COME, CELEBRATE CREATION!



Saturday 11 June 10.00 am – 5.00 pm

CREATION – God's miraculous and awesome gift is appreciated through the senses...

We SEE beautiful scenery, a rainbow  
We HEAR a baby's cry, birdsong  
We TASTE water, food  
We SMELL the fragrance of flowers, the bouquet of wine  
We TOUCH a child's hand, we hold one another

We marvel at the interdependence of plants and animals and try to understand how they evolved to benefit from and share habitats.

But what is most important is how God's creation is created within us –

- how it grows, develops, transforms over the years
- how it challenges us and moulds us
- how we use it to cooperate with it

We marvel at scientific discoveries and talk about 'inventions,' but as no scientist enters into a programme of research without the expectation that answers will be found, so there is an overwhelming sense that everything required has been present from the beginning just waiting to be found, discovered and used responsibly within God's creation.

Slowly, and just as miraculously as creation itself, a sense of Jesus the Saviour is recognised, as is the power of the Holy Spirit and the experience of prayer.

But just as God has shared His creation with us, so this created change within our own lives is not something for ourselves but something we should yearn to share and be passionate about.

That is why special days like 'Come, Taste, See' and 'Come, Celebrate Creation!' offer such wonderful opportunities to share God's gifts with a wider community. But these special days will only work if underwritten with prayer and a burning desire to share God's love, to witness to the wonder of His creation and articulate what the Christian faith means to us personally.

So on Saturday 11 June it is hoped to reveal creation through icons, photographs, paintings, electron microscope photos, embroidery, cake decorating, food, crafts, flower arranging, plants and orchids and more besides, with opportunities for children and adults to be creative.

Please make a note of this date in your diary and be sure to participate in sharing God's creation with others.

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