



Fri 27th & Sat 28th Nov – Sustainable Christmas: Virtual Eco Fair

Friends of the Earth and Eco Communities' Winter Fair is usually face to face, but like the Virtual Eco Fair held in June they are taking this event on line. For programme details go to <https://chesterfoe.co.uk> and follow the link, or email: helenchesterfoe@hotmail.com

Wed 9th Dec – Chester Friends of Palestine: Zoom session

6.30pm Our next meeting is in the form of a Zoom call with Hala Rashed, an associate professor at Bethlehem University. Hala will talk about life in Bethlehem today, particularly relevant as we approach Christmas. For further information or to get the Zoom link for the meeting please email Brian on brian.r.rowe@gmail.com

Thurs 10th Dec – International Human Rights Day

Human Rights Day is celebrated annually across the world on this date every year. The date was chosen to honour the United Nations General Assembly's adoption and proclamation, on 10 December 1948, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

- **“Write for Rights”:** In December 2019 Chester & Wrexham Amnesty International Group held a successful event at Storyhouse. We are unable to hold a public event this year, but we do hope that you are still able to support Write for Rights 2020 by sending messages in support of those either suffering human rights abuses or working for human rights justice. The Write for Rights booklet can be downloaded from www.amnesty.org.uk/write-rights-2020-get-started It gives feedback from last year's campaigns and details how to participate this year. **Write for Rights 2020 runs until 31 December 2020.** Further information from Mike Johnson, Chair Chester & Wrexham Amnesty International Group mikerj51@hotmail.com

Wed 16th Dec – Stories, Poems, and Music for Advent and Christmas

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm St Mary's Without-the-Walls *Overleigh Road, Handbridge, Chester, CH4 7HL*

‘Do you want to hold him for a moment?’ Trevor Dennis will introduce and read seven of his published stories and poems on the themes of Advent and Christmas, while Brian and Claire Heald from Wesley Church will provide some wonderful music. Unless more severe Covid restrictions are imposed, about 100 people will be able to attend. You will need to reserve a place by emailing Trevor on trevordennis11@gmail.com with your name(s) and phone number, or by ringing him on 01244 638441. Christian Aid envelopes will be put out on the socially distanced seats. Alternatively you will be able to attend remotely via Zoom, and then you will have a chance to donate to Christian Aid through a JustGiving page, or by sending a cheque to the St Mary's Centre. **Should Covid make it impossible for so many to meet in the church, we still plan to go ahead on Zoom.**

Sat 19th Dec – Chester Friends of Palestine Vigil: Against Arms to Israel

2.00 -3.00pm The Cross, Chester

We will not be holding our usual vigil at the end of November but if it's possible we hope to have one on this, the Saturday before Christmas, with placards on a Bethlehem theme. To let us know you are coming, and for further information please email: chester4palestine@gmail.com

Tues 12th Jan 2021 - CWDF Forum-by-Zoom

Speaker Ciara Hogan, on her work as Community Participation Coordinator for CAFOD – the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development. Ciara's responsibilities cover the Catholic Diocese of Shrewsbury, (extending from Birkenhead in the north down to Telford in the south) fostering the work of local groups. Zoom joining details to be supplied nearer the date.

May 2021 - Exhibition and Conference “Our Journey to Sustainability” - PROVISIONAL

Chester Sustainability Forum and Chester Cathedral hope to stage this event, originally planned for May 2020 but postponed due to Covid. It aims to display the wide range of responses to the climate emergency that are being planned and implemented by the many faith groups, environmental groups, businesses, and political parties which share the common objective of improving the environmental sustainability of Chester and its surrounding area. The situation will be reviewed in Jan 2021.

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