



AMDG

50 HOLY WEEK  
*Retreat*  
Years

STONYHURST

*Programme*

Thursday 2nd April – Sunday 5th April 2026

# WELCOME TO ALL *Retreatants*

A very warm welcome to Stonyhurst for the Holy Week Retreat. We are delighted you will be joining us for the Easter weekend. To ensure a safe and enjoyable visit for all, please familiarise yourself with the important information outlined in this programme.

## Check-in / Check-out Procedure

- Retreatants are required to **check-in between 3pm – 5.30pm on Maundy Thursday**. The Experience Team and Association Office Team will be located at the main reception to assist with your check-in. You will be allocated your rooms and access passes at this time. Staff will be on hand to assist you with your bags and finding your rooms.
- We require all retreatants to **check-out at the main reception between 9am – 11am on Easter Sunday**. Please ensure you have checked out before you attend Sunday Mass. All Access Passes will automatically turn off at 11am.
- If the desk is not manned at the time of your check-out, please leave your passes and folders at the main reception desk with a member of security.

## Security

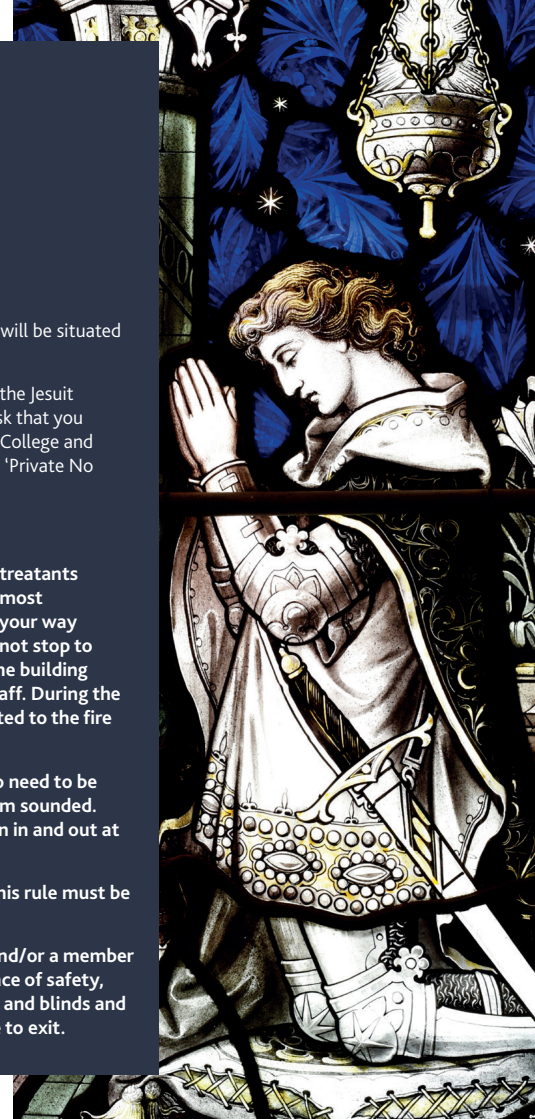
- On arrival persons over the age of 16 will be provided with an access pass. The access passes are required to gain access through all external and internal doors and as such you will need your pass to make your way around the campus during your stay. Each pass is allocated to a retreatant and there will be a nominal charge of £10.00 for any unreturned passes.
- Two security staff are on duty 24 hours per day and one member of staff is based in reception.
- If you have any queries, concerns or domestic requirements, the Experience Team will be available during the hours of 9am

– 12pm on Good Friday. A member of the team will be situated outside the College Reception.

- The College is not only a school but is home to the Jesuit Community and members of staff. We would ask that you kindly remember this when moving around the College and avoid areas of the College which are signposted 'Private No Entry'.

## Emergency Procedures

- **In the event of the fire alarm sounding, all retreatants must exit the building using the nearest and most appropriate exit. Once outside, please make your way to the College Reception car park. Please do not stop to collect any belongings and do not re-enter the building unless instructed to do so by a member of staff. During the children's programme, children will be escorted to the fire muster point by the Youth Leader.**
- **To comply with fire safety regulations, we do need to be aware of who is in the building if the fire alarm sounded. As such, we kindly request retreatants to sign in and out at Reception when leaving the College campus.**
- **The College operates a no smoking policy. This rule must be strictly observed.**
- **In the event of a lockdown alarm sounding and/or a member of staff informs you of a lockdown, find a place of safety, lock or barricade the door, close the curtains and blinds and stay within the room until informed it is safe to exit.**



## Medical Cover & First Aid

- Please report any incidents to Reception, Security or the Experience Office. Please refer to the visitor handbook for nearby medical services. In the event of an emergency, always call 999, and inform a member of Stonyhurst staff.

## WiFi

- To access the College WiFi please use the network **Stonyhurst Event** and the password **HolyWeek2026**.

## Reception

- Reception will be manned by a member of staff at irregular periods throughout the Easter weekend. Security will be based at Reception overnight.

## Stonyhurst Sports Centre

- The swimming pool will be available for retreatants to use at the following times over the Easter weekend: Please show your access control pass to a member of staff in the Sports Centre Reception when you arrive. We do ask that the towels provided in your room are not used for the swimming pool.

Retreatants can access the pool, free of charge, at the time below:

**Holy Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Children over 8 - Any child that cannot swim / weak swimmer or needs armbands over 8 needs to be accompanied in the water.

Children under 8 - Accompanied by guardian in the water - on a ratio of 1 adult to 2 children

Children under 4 - Accompanied by guardian in the water - on a ratio of 1 adult to 1 child.

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The tennis nets at the Glass Doors will be available throughout the weekend. Please bring your own rackets and balls.



# HOLY WEEK RETREAT *Programme*

Day	Time	Activity	Venue
Maundy Thursday	17:30	Association Welcome Drinks Reception	Top Refectory
	18:00	<i>Supper</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	19:00	A Word of Welcome from Fr Nick King SJ	College Chapel
	20:00	Maundy Thursday Liturgy	St Peter's Church
Good Friday	08:30	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	09:30	Morning Prayers	College Chapel
	10:00	Key Note Speaker: Professor Michael Hurley OS '94 "Do not be afraid": Angels and the Nearness of God	Academy Room
	11:00	<i>Break</i>	<i>Pieta Gallery</i>
	11:30	Reflective Discussion Groups	Gallery Classrooms
	12:30	<i>Caritas Fast Lunch</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	13:30	Stations of the Cross	Outside (meet at Lion's)
	14:00	Social/ Reflective Time	
	15:00	Passion Liturgy	<i>St Peter's Church</i>
	16:30	<i>Tea &amp; Coffee</i>	<i>Pieta Gallery</i>
	17:00	Prayer with a True Thorn	<i>Sodality Chapel</i>
	18:00	<i>Supper</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	19:00	Film Screening	Academy Room

Day	Time	Activity	Venue
Holy Saturday	08:30	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	09:00	Reconciliation Service & Opportunity for Confession	St Peter's Church
	11:00	<i>Break</i>	<i>Pieta Gallery</i>
	11:30	Guest Speaker: Dr Janet Graffius 'Arich and rare memorial': but what is a Catholic museum actually for?'	Academy Room
	12:30	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	13:30	Reflective Discussion Groups	Gallery Classrooms
	14:30	Experiences of Ignatian Spirituality	Gallery Classrooms
	15:30	Spiritual Direction / Social Time	
	17:30	Children's Service	College Chapel
	18:00	<i>Supper</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	19:00	Easter Vigil	St Peter's Church
	21:00	Easter Celebration	Syntax Playroom
Sunday	08:30	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>New Refectory</i>
	10:30	Vacate and check out of rooms before Mass	Accommodation
	11:00	Family Easter Mass	St Peter's Church
	12:00	<i>Light Refreshments to take away by pre order</i> Departure from College by 12:30pm latest	Reception

## CHILDREN'S *Programme*

The children's programme runs alongside the main programme, allowing parents to attend the full programme of talks and times of prayer.

The children's programme will allow younger members of the Retreat to explore the Passion story in a dynamic and engaging way, through a mixture of talks, drama, interactive activities and music, led by experienced Catholic Youth Ministry groups.

We are committed to making reasonable adjustments to support children and young people with SEND. Within the limits of our staffing, training, environment, and resources, we adapt activities, routines, and communication to reduce barriers and promote meaningful participation. While we cannot provide specialist support, we work with families and professionals to understand individual needs and ensure our provision remains safe, inclusive, and accessible.

## YOUNG ADULTS *Programme*

Young adults will be invited to attend the main programme, with the following additions specifically offered to this age group:

- Separate Welcome Drinks Reception
- Quiz Night
- Talk on Reconciliation
- Young Adult Discussion Group
- Talk on Discerning Purpose & Mission as a Young Catholic



# GUEST *Speakers*



**Michael Hurley**  
**(OS 94)**

Michael Hurley (OS 94) is a Professor of Literature and Theology, and a Fellow and Director of Studies at Trinity College. Educated at the Universities of Cambridge (PhD) and St Andrews (MA), he has taught at Cambridge since 2005. Alongside his academic work, Professor Hurley frequently gives talks and public lectures on the philosophical and theological challenges posed by art and literature. He is also a regular contributor to the BBC Radio 4's Thought for the Day on the Today programme. Professor Hurley will be speaking at our Retreat on the topic of: "Do not be afraid": Angels and the Nearness of God, exploring God's perpetual presence in the world, and in our lives, that is expressed so beautifully through his angels.



**Father Nick King**  
**SJ**

Nicholas King SJ as an OS and a long-standing pillar of the Stonyhurst Holy Week Retreat, we are glad to be welcoming him back for 2026. He is a Jesuit Priest who is currently on the staff of Farm Street Church in London. For all his time as a Jesuit, he has been teaching at the Secondary school and tertiary levels, most recently at Oxford University, Boston College, St Mary's Twickenham and Heythrop College, London University. He has also published a translation of the entire Bible (published by Kevin Mayhew in 2013).



**Dr Janet Graffius**  
**FSA**

Dr Janet Graffius FSA has been Curator of Museum Collections and Historic Libraries at Stonyhurst since 2001. Previously she worked with national public museums and galleries in the UK. She has curated numerous exhibitions in Britain, as well as in France, Rome and the US, and lectures widely in British and international universities on a variety of cultural, ethnographic, artistic, and literary subjects relating to her education work at Stonyhurst College.

## JESUIT *Workshops*

4 Jesuits will offer a workshop on Saturday afternoon on a wide variety of topics. Sign up on arrival.

## Keeping you safe at Stonyhurst

Holy Week Retreat welcomes retreatants of all ages, as such, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults is everyone's responsibility. Stonyhurst understands, accepts, and believes that every member of our school community places safeguarding children, young people and adults at risk at the heart of all they do.

Stonyhurst's policy reflects our Jesuit philosophy, Magis. We seek to do more for Christ in serving and protecting the most vulnerable within our community.

Stonyhurst endeavours to provide a safe and welcoming environment for everyone who visits. To view our full Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy, please visit our website [www.stonyhurst.ac.uk](http://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk)

## Parental Responsibility

- It is the parents' sole responsibility to ensure the safety and supervision of the children within their party whilst staying at Stonyhurst. Outside of the scheduled children's programme, all children under the age of 16 must be supervised at all times. Children are not to be left unattended in accommodation areas or allowed to access the wider College and grounds unsupervised.
- Parents will be asked to register their children into the children's workshops and collect them at the end of each workshop. They must also provide a contact number and email address in case of emergency prior to arrival.
- Children under the age of 16 will not be provided with an access control pass as they must be supervised at all times. We kindly ask that parents do not share their own access control pass with young children. Any unsupervised children under the age of 16 found to be in possession of an access control pass will be asked to return to their parents/ guardians.
- We ask that you do not take photographs or videos of other retreatants or children, without asking for their consent or that of their parents.
- If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding during your stay at Stonyhurst, please report these immediately to a member of Stonyhurst staff immediately, or use the QR code on the safeguarding posters available in college or within your visitor handbook. Your concerns will be escalated to the Designated Safeguarding Lead. A copy of our Safeguarding Policies and Risk Assessments are available on request or on the website.





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If you require any assistance upon arrival or during your stay, here are some useful points of contact. If you have no signal, please log into the WiFi using the details within this programme and enable WiFi calling on your mobile device.

## Chaplaincy Team

Director of Christian Formation - Catherine Crombie  
c.crombie@stonyhurst.ac.uk

## Security / Reception

01254 826345 (24 hours)

## Safeguarding

Safeguarding DSL – Report a concern via:  
[www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/about-us/stonyhurst-experience/  
report-a-safeguarding-concern](http://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/about-us/stonyhurst-experience/report-a-safeguarding-concern)



Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO - Lancashire)  
01772 536694

NSPCC Helpline  
0808 800 5000

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