

## Crafting retreat led by Anne Newport

1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

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|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Mon</b>             |                                 | 12.30pm       | Lunch                    |
| 3pm – 5pm              | Arrivals<br>(office closes 5pm) | 2 – 5pm       | Craft workshops          |
| 5.30pm                 | Orientation                     | 6pm           | Eucharist (Thurs only)   |
| 6.30pm                 | Fat Pigeon bar open             | 6.30pm        | Fat Pigeon bar open      |
| 7pm                    | Supper                          | 7pm           | Supper                   |
| 8.00pm                 | Compline                        | 8.00pm        | Compline (Tue, Wed only) |
| <b>Tues, Weds, Thu</b> |                                 | <b>Friday</b> |                          |
| 8.30am                 | Breakfast                       | 8.30am        | Breakfast                |
| 9.30am                 | Morning prayer & address        | 10am          | Final departures         |
| 10am                   | Craft workshops                 |               |                          |

Silence is held from Compline until after morning prayer & address daily

See separate sheet for current Covid protections

And thank you for honouring Sheldon's "No Clergy Shop Talk" house rule

**Orientation** in Long Barn sitting room

**Craft workshops** in Long Barn dining room

**Retreat Morning Prayer, Compline and Eucharist** in the upstairs chapel

*(Retreat guests are also welcome to join the Community's daily prayers at 8am and 5pm in the upstairs chapel – please wear a mask if you do)*

**Breakfast, Lunch and supper** in the **Pound House**

Self-serve drinks and snacks in Long Barn guest kitchen

The **Fat Pigeon** is Sheldon's licensed bar in the Great Barn Loose Box

PTO for message from retreat leader

Dear All,

We are really looking forward to meeting up at the beginning of December for our week of crafting and contemplation. I am semi retired priest from Cornwall, and I will be leading the retreat, with my good friend George assisting me with teaching craft, as she has kindly done over the last few years.

This year I am going to be thinking about and reflecting on 'wisdom' in our services.

You do not need to bring anything with you, all materials will be supplied for you to try knitting, crochet, embroidery, blackwork, rag rug making, machine sewing, hand sewing, macrame, patchwork, and this year we have added in some embroidery on felt, applique, and goldwork if you would like to give that a try.

If you are travelling by car and would like to bring your own sewing machine, etc., please feel free to do so.

If you have your own projects you are working on, again, feel free to bring them.

One of the options will be to make bags, cushions etc from old jeans, so if you have any, it's a good way of recycling them.

One of the ideas I have been working on this year is a piece of work based on 'my favourite place', so again if this is something you might like to work on you might like to give this some thought before you arrive.

Above all, we pray this will be a week of relaxation and fun for you, with time to wind down and hopefully find a few new hobbies and thoughts to take away with you.

Every Blessing

Anne and George