

JYM 2024

Thursday, March 28th - Monday, April 1st

Starting at 4:30pm on the 28th and finishing at 12:30pm on the 1st

WHAT IS JYM?

JYM stands for Junior Yearly Meeting. It is a gathering of young Friends and any young people interested in Quakerism in Ireland. We come together each Easter and take the opportunity to meet, discuss, debate, and learn together. It is an event for young people which is organised annually by young Quakers with the aim to provide a caring community for young people, allowing them to build connections and friendships to last a lifetime. There are many activities including: debates, workshops, decathlon, fancy dress banquet, and a concert. All Friends (and friends of Friends!!) are welcome.

Venue: Moyallon Centre, 117 Stratmore Road, Portadown, Co. Armagh BT635JZ

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WHAT WILL WE DO?

Each day begins with a short meeting for worship, lasting half an hour. Every full day we will have two sessions which are led by young people where we will be discussing the theme in various ways, acting, playing games, and engaging with people your own age. Every day we also have a fun evening activity such as dress up, decathlon, or a games session (indoor and outdoors) There is also plenty of opportunity to get to know other young people, to talk, and quiet time to reflect on the day.

THE THEME OF JYM 2024

The theme of JYM 2024 is 'Quakers-past, present, and future.'

Throughout the week, we will discuss the impact of Quakers historically and their lasting impact on Quakerism, what it means to be a quaker today, and what we imagine the future of Quakerism will be.

To help us contemplate this year's theme, we will have many sessions and workshops, as well as hosting a panel discussion.

A Typical JYM Day.

8:30: breakfast
9:30 Meeting for Worship
10:00 Session
11:15 Juice Break
11:45 Base Groups
12:30 Quiet time
13:00 Lunch

14:30 Session
15:45 Juice break
16:00 Base Groups
16:30 Activities
17:30 Free time
18:00 Dinner

19:30 Evening Activities
21:30 supper
22:00 Relaxation and In the Light
23:00 Lights out

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The cost of the 5 days/ 4 nights is £130/€150
Preferably paid by bank transfer (see application for, for details)

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

- Sleeping bag, pillowcase, and towel
- Pens and Notebook
- Fancy Dress for banquet (costume)
- Book for quiet time
- Enough clothing (including old clothes and clothing for outside activities)
- Toiletries
- Trainers
- Small present for your secret friend e.g., sweets, bubbles etc
- Musical Instruments

BASIC RULES OF JYM

- no alcohol
- no drugs
- no members of the opposite sex in dorms

When you sign the application form you are agreeing to these rules. Any infringement of the rules may lead to being sent home

WHAT IS A BASE GROUP?

On arrival, everyone will be assigned to a base group. This is your little family for the week. Throughout the week, you will meet with your base group to discuss sessions, play games, and prepare for the final night's concert.

WHAT IS A SECRET FRIEND?

On the first day of JYM, you will be assigned the name of another JYMer. This will be your secret friend for the week. We encourage you to be extra nice to this person throughout the week by sending little presents and through random acts of kindness, anonymously. This can include sweets, small things like bubbles etc, notes of kindness, homemade gifts etc.