



EMPOWERING OURSELVES

the emerging church.

30th Aug - 1st Sept, 2024.

PROGRAMME: 20.00 Fri. 30th - 12 noon Sunday 1st Sept.

Please be aware that our programme is a work of the Spirit, in which you are very much invited to participate. We are thrilled that Sr Joan Chittister will open our gathering with prayer on Friday evening, and her thoughts on Empowering Ourselves, and on the emerging church of which we are part. We have several other speakers and enablers in the pipeline, who will help us unpack our four themes:

1. Unpacking internal fear and oppression

We hope to announce soon our enabler for this session, who has worked closely with members of religious orders and clerics to help bring about healing. It can be a complex and challenging exercise to examine our feelings, but it is essential for our right relationships with each other.

2. Theological Underpinnings - Ecumenism - Open Table

Again, please watch our website for more details of speakers and input coming soon.

3. DIY - Wisdom shared from our existing small groups.

Many amongst us fear that we may not live to see the Church change course, so strong are its entrenched interests. Many of us already find our strength in small Christian communities. This will be a time of sharing amongst ourselves, and of hearing how others Do It Yourselves. Of particular interest will be those parishes who have already lost their priests and those who are threatened with diminishing services and closure.

4. Spirit Unbounded Access Course.

You may be one of many parishioners or interested people who feel that you are on your own in looking for reform of the Church. This Access Course is for you, and for like-minded souls, meeting at home, or for a coffee, who can use it to access the amazing Spirit Unbounded treasure-house of 115 + Voices, to work through and share its joyful and challenging content.

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