'The warrior unlike the soldier is a lover. The warrior is so much in touch with his heart that he can give it to the world' - Matthew Fox in The Hidden Spirituality of Men

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'abundance' a description of the levels of love and caring I experienced here..' ...quote from one of the Men's Retreat participants

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Maturity is the ability to live joyfully in an imperfect world. Richard Rohr

HOLY ROOD HOUSE RETREAT

Men Staying Grounded
Staying Sane and Centred
in a Crazy World

Friday 10th October 4pm to Sunday 12th October 2pm 2025

A Residential Retreat for Men

With Revd Paul Golightly, Urs Mattmann and the Holy Rood House Community



In this retreat we will use movement, meditations, worship, discussions and reflective time to help us live day to day in this time of so many overlapping crises that seem to challenge our being, faith, and even life itself. We discover and share as Men on a spiritual journey Resources for Resilience, Stillness and Strength.

Paul Golightly – Methodist Minister is Director of St Bede's Pastoral Centre, York, and National Co-ordinator and trainer for the Capacitar Wellness network, running several weekly groups that seek to integrate body, mind and spirit, to help us stay healthy and engaged in life.





Urs Mattmann is a Lay-Chaplain, Supervisor, Psychotherapist and Spiritual Director and is further developing our Men's work. Urs is the author of COMING IN, published some years ago by Wild Goose Publications at www.ionabooks.com Richard Rohr wrote the foreword. In 2023 WILLING TO LOVE was published where Urs contributed a chapter: https://willingtolovebook.com/

'The Great Work of this age is not our connection to an external God, or even our inter- human relations, but rather the humans' relationship to the Earth and the Cosmos' Thomas Berry

Booking Form: Men Staying Grounded

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Please complete form or send the information in an email:

Name/s (both names if sharing a room)

Address

Telephone

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Please state which type of bedroom you would prefer; the suggested donation is per person for the retreat: £295pp (ensuite)
£285pp (shared bathroom or sharing a twin bedroom)

Please state any mobility issues and/or dietary requirements:

If you are travelling by train and would like a lift from the station, please let us know the time your train arrives. The station is a 30min walk from here and is accessed by steps.

We ask for an £80 non-returnable deposit to secure your booking. If you pay by BACS please let us know in your email or tick here:

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