

FAITH COMMUNITIES INVITE THE WORLD TO OUR CITY



This leaflet provides details of the beacon places of worship in Coventry and the City Centre based Chaplaincy Service for people of all faiths.

MESSAGE FROM THE LORD MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COVENTRY

As Lord Mayor of the City of Coventry, it gives me great pleasure to welcome visitors to the City of Coventry during the London 2012 Games. As a City we are honoured that we have been chosen to host the football competitions.

Communities of Coventry have been playing their part in ensuring that visitors to the City enjoy their stay. I would like to congratulate the Coventry Inter Faith Network who have enabled people from different backgrounds to come together during this once in a life time event, by providing information on places of worship and putting in place other activities to ensure everyone's spiritual needs are met.

Coventry is a City of Peace and Reconciliation. The work of the Coventry Inter Faith Network builds on the good inter faith relations that already exist in the city and highlights the contributions that faith has made to building communities in the city.

**Lord Mayor of the City of Coventry,
Councillor Tim Sawdon**

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF FAITH COMMUNITIES AND OLYMPICS GROUP (COVENTRY) 2012

On behalf of the Coventry Interfaith Network Steering Group, I welcome you to the City of Coventry. The London 2012 Games to be held in Coventry provides an excellent opportunity to bring together people of different faiths from across the world.

As part of the London 2012 Games being staged in Coventry, faith communities have committed to creating the most diverse and inclusive Games ever in our City, involving all nine world faiths (Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, Jewish, Bahá'í, Jain, Buddhist and Zoroastrian) and those of non-faith, all being represented to welcome visitors to the City. There will also be a Chaplaincy Service assisting visitors involving over 40 Chaplains recruited from the faith communities.

Given the diverse communities residing in the City, faith communities felt that it is important for us to ensure that the London 2012 Games in Coventry are inclusive and involve all communities. A number of exciting projects and programmes have been planned during this time aimed at visitors to the City. All our plans have been developed so that all faiths are represented. Everyone, whatever their religion or ethnic background, should feel they

can play a part in the world's greatest sporting event. This summer, during the London 2012 Games, we have a unique opportunity to champion faith communities and break down ethnic, cultural, religious, political and economic barriers through sport and provide a wide range of long lasting benefits to strengthen Coventry's communities.

We hope you will appreciate our Multi-Faith initiative for the London 2012 Games in Coventry and we are sure you will also appreciate the friendly locals and volunteers, who will assist wherever they can.

Organising and planning events of this nature and size cannot proceed without a dedicated team behind the scenes, largely invisible, but without whom things could not function as they should. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge "Thank You" to everyone involved in the committee and sub groups for their efforts in making what was initially just a thoughtfinally become a reality.

Sanjay Jagatia, Chair of Faith Communities and Olympics (Coventry 2012)



MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF MULTI-FAITH CHAPLAINCY SERVICES LONDON ORGANISING COMMITTEE OF THE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES LTD

I am delighted that the faith communities in Coventry are working together to ensure that people of All Faiths visiting the city during the Olympic and Paralympic Games are welcomed and cared for.

Rev Duncan Green, Head of Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Services LOCOG

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP OF COVENTRY

It is extremely gratifying for Coventry to be hosting Olympians from across the world as they come together to display good sportsmanship, talent and determination in the football games taking place at the City of Coventry Stadium.

It is testimony to our city's good inter-faith relations that we can jointly advertise our places of worship as well as place our own team of chaplains from a number of faith communities to offer support to people attending the matches. I hope this booklet will be a useful signpost for those seeking local communities of worship across the city.

Bishop of Coventry, The Right Reverend Dr Christopher Cocksworth

COVENTRY INTER FAITH NETWORK

The Coventry Interfaith Network has been working hard over the last three months to encourage faith community engagement with the London 2012 Games at a community level. Members of the Coventry Interfaith Network have met regularly to develop plans on many areas especially on issues around faith, in order to cater for the observances of practising spectators and visitors. In addition, the network has been busy planning a major event to be held in Broadgate Square to welcome visitors to the City.

CHAPLAINCY SERVICE

For the entire period of the London 2012 Games in Coventry, the Coventry Interfaith Network have set up a “Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre” in the chateau-style Old Blue Coat School, which is located over the ruins of Coventry Cathedral and Priory of St Mary’s. This unique and historic building is situated between Priory Row and the Priory Place in the City Centre.

At the ‘Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre’, **there will be prayer rooms, a lounge and specific ‘quiet’ areas** for visitors. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits will also be available. We are here for you whether you’re someone who is looking for faith or who has no faith, someone who wants to find out where a particular place of worship is in the city, or just want to drop in for tea and coffee and meet friendly people.

We have a team of Multi-Faith Chaplains from a variety of traditions who will help you feel at home and listen to your problems if you have any. The Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre will be open throughout the London 2012 Games in Coventry from **10.00am till 7.00pm** daily. Throughout the City of Coventry we will also have Multi-Faith Chaplains “on call”.

CONTACT ADDRESS

**Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre,
Old Blue Coat School,
5a Priory Row,
Coventry CV1 5EX
Telephone: 024 7622 0418**



CHRISTIAN

Welcome to Coventry! The Christian Church has a long history here, beginning with the Priory of St Mary, and there are many Christian churches in our city, representing many different denominations. You are welcome to join us to pray or simply be at peace during this busy time.

The Cathedral and Holy Trinity Church are next to each other, right in the centre of the city, and very close to the Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre – do come and enjoy our beautiful buildings and take time to pray – we would love to see you!

PLACES OF WORSHIP

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Coventry Cathedral

1 Hill Top, Coventry CV1 5AB

Contact: Tammy James

Telephone: 024 7652 1200

E-mail: tammy.james@coventrycathedral.org.uk

Web: www.coventrycathedral.org.uk

Holy Trinity Church

5a Priory Row, Coventry CV1 5EX

Contact: Rev David Mayhew/Abigail Rhodes

Telephone: 024 7622 0418

E-mail: htoffice@holyltrinitycoventry.org.uk

ROMAN CATHOLIC

The Most Holy Sacrament and St Osburg

Barras Lane, Coventry CV1 4AQ

Contact: Rev Canon Garry Byrne

Telephone: 024 7622 0402

E-mail: father.garry@gmail.com

Web: www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/
StOsburg

UNITED REFORMED

Warwick Road United Reformed Church

10 Warwick Row, Coventry CV1 1EX

Contact: Rev Yvonne Stone

Telephone: 024 7661 4355

E-mail: revyvonne@btinternet.com

Web: www.wrurc.co.uk

BAPTIST

Queen's Road Baptist Church

Queen's Road, Coventry CV1 3EG

Contact: Rev Keith Neville/Helen Jones

Telephone: 024 7652 0621

E-mail: admin@qrbc.co.uk

Web: www.qrbc.co.uk

METHODIST

Methodist Central Hall

Warwick Lane, Coventry CV1 2HA

Contact: Adam Sanders

Telephone: 024 7625 2411

E-mail: cch@coventrycentralhall.co.uk

Web: www.coventrycentralhall.co.uk

CHRISTIAN LIFE MINISTRIES

Christian Life Ministries – affiliated to Assemblies of God

Welcome Centre, Parkside, Coventry CV1 2HG

Contact: Martin Stone or Minister Anita Fox

Telephone: 024 7622 6698

E-mail: info@clmchurch.co.uk

Web: www.clmchurch.co.uk

NEW FRONTIERS

Jubilee Church Coventry

Starley House, Eaton Road, Coventry CV1 2FJ

Contact: Paul Harrison or Kat Jones

Telephone: 024 7622 5928

E-mail: office@jubileechurchcoventry.org

Web: www.jubileechurchcoventry.org

BAHA'I



The Baha'is of Coventry welcome you all to this special event of the London 2012 Games in Coventry. Humanity is as one family, and we all live in a global civilization. Beyond the joy and enthusiasm generated by the London 2012 Games, this event heightens our collective consciousness of the reality of our oneness, and invites all to celebrate humanity's common heritage as well as our diversity.

Bahá'ís in Coventry are striving to build unity in the community and to work with people from all backgrounds in creating a better world. We welcome the participants and spectators who have hailed from all corners of the planet, and rejoice in the positive achievements of all. Indeed, Baha'is all over the world come from different backgrounds, races and cultures and within the Baha'i Coventry Community we have this diversity. Bahá'u'lláh, the founder of the Baha'i Faith, said that the various races of humankind lend a composite harmony and beauty of colour to the whole. Let all associate, therefore, in this great human garden even as flowers grow and blend together side by side without discord or disagreement between them. This is a special time in the history of Coventry City and we hope all those taking part in the London 2012 Games in Coventry enjoy their time here.

Baha'i Community

For local events or further information, please visit **www.coventrybahai.org.uk**

Contact: Mr Kofi Asante

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E-mail: kofi753@btinternet.com

BUDDHIST



I appreciate any organization or individual people who sincerely make an effort to promote harmony between humanity, and particularly harmony between the various religions. I consider it very sacred and very important work.

Tenzin Gyatso XIVth, Dalai Lama

For further information, please contact:

E-mail: coventry-buddhists@hotmail.co.uk

Twitter: [@JamyangCoventry](https://twitter.com/JamyangCoventry)

Jamyang Coventry Facebook Page

JEWISH



We are a very small but friendly Reform Community and you would be most welcome to join us for an Erev Shabbat service while you are here in the City. Please contact us by phone or text for more information and we look forward to meeting you.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

For place of worship please contact Coventry Jewish Reform Community on **07920 434901**.

MUSLIM



On behalf of the Coventry Muslim Forum, it's my greatest pleasure to welcome the London 2012 Games to our City by saying –Salaam Alaykum (may peace and blessings of Allah be with you all). We are particularly privileged to be your hosts especially in the blessed month of Ramadan and welcome you to join us in worship including prayers and Iftar (breaking of fast) in the listed Mosques or others nearby and mingle socially as well. All guests are welcome to join us to break their fast/iftar. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are also welcome to visit us. Tarweeh Salat takes place in all Masjids, guests are advised to contact individual Masjids regarding the timing.

We wish you a pleasant stay in Coventry and really look forward to meeting you all.

Coventry Muslim Forum

RAMADHAN AND BREAKING FAST

The Muslim community of Coventry invites you to visit the Masjid during the London 2012 Games that will take place in the Blessed month of Ramadhan. During this blessed month 'Iftar' (completion of the Fast) and 'Tarweeh prayer' will take place daily in the Masjid. Throughout the day and during parts of the night the Masjid will be open to the community and for guests attending the London 2012 Games who wish to pray. Activities will also be held daily for those

who wish to participate. We look forward to welcoming all visitors during this once in a lifetime event for our city of Coventry.

Masjid-e-Zeenat-ul-Islam

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Masjid-e-Zeenat-ul-Islam

283 – 287 Stoney Stanton Road, Coventry CV1 4FR

Shah Jalal Jame Masjid

75 Smith Street, Coventry CV6 5DX

Masjid-e-Zakaria

1 – 5 Berry Street, Coventry CV1 5JT

Masjid Al Falah

62 Somerset Road, Coventry CV1 4EE

Contact: Dr Abdullah Shehu

Telephone: 07714 342211

Ghulamahmed Bakawala

Telephone: (emergency only 07949 909304)

Web: www.masjidzeenatulislam.org

E-mail: abdullahshehu@gmail.com

Twitter: @MasjidCov



RAMADAN TIMETABLE 2012

DAY	MONTH	END OF SEHRI	IFTAR	MAGRIB JAMAAT	JAMAAT TIMES	
					FAJR	ESHA
FRI	July 20	3:10	9:21	9:25	3:40	10:40
SAT	21	3:12	9:20	9:24	3:42	10:40
SUN	22	3:14	9:19	9:23	3:44	10:39
MON	23	3:16	9:17	9:21	3:46	10:37
TUES	24	3:18	9:16	9:20	3:48	10:36
WEDS	25	3:20	9:15	9:19	3:50	10:35
THURS	26	3:22	9:13	9:17	3:52	10:33
FRI	27	3:24	9:12	9:16	3:54	10:32
SAT	28	3:27	9:10	9:14	3:57	10:30
SUN	29	3:28	9:08	9:12	3:58	10:28
MON	30	3:31	9:07	9:11	4:01	10:27
TUES	31	3:32	9:05	9:09	4:02	10:25
WEDS	August 1	3:35	9:03	9:07	4:05	10:24
THURS	2	3:36	9:01	9:05	4:06	10:23
FRI	3	3:39	8:59	9:03	4:09	10:22
SAT	4	3:40	8:58	9:02	4:10	10:21
SUN	5	3:43	8:56	9:03	4:13	10:20
MON	6	3:45	8:54	8:58	4:15	10:19
TUES	7	3:46	8:52	8:56	4:16	10:18
WEDS	8	3:49	8:50	8:54	4:19	10:17
THURS	9	3:51	8:48	8:52	4:21	10:16
FRI	10	3:52	8:47	8:51	4:22	10:15
SAT	11	3:55	8:45	8:49	4:25	10:14
SUN	12	3:56	8:43	8:47	4:26	10:12
MON	13	3:58	8:41	8:45	4:28	10:10
TUES	14	4:00	8:39	8:43	4:30	10:08
WEDS	15	4:02	8:37	8:41	4:32	10:06
THURS	16	4:04	8:35	8:39	4:34	10:05
FRI	17	4:06	8:33	8:37	4:36	10:03
SAT	18	4:08	8:31	8:35	4:38	10:01
SUN	19	4:10	8:29	8:33	4:40	9:59

Masjid-E-Zeenat-UI-Islam, 283 – 287 Stoney Stanton Road, Coventry CV1 4FR

HINDU



**“Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam” –
meaning the whole World is One Family**

The Hindu Community in Coventry is delighted that our City has been selected as part of the London 2012 Games and will be hosting International football matches at the City of Coventry Stadium.

The London 2012 Games is not only a time for celebration but also a time for reflection. It is a unique opportunity for ALL faiths in Coventry to showcase their spirit of love and looking after one another. Every religion and culture preaches respect and tolerance of each other and loving our neighbours regardless of colour, class, creed or race. It is therefore important that these values enshrined in all our religious beliefs are demonstrated for everyone to receive with open arms, during the period of the London 2012 Games.

There has never been a more important time than during the London 2012 Games for peace and goodwill among all people.

The Hindu Community in Coventry believes that this is an extraordinary time for sharing and giving. It is an opportunity for celebration, renewal of friendship and to show others the generosity, the kindness of heart and love that is consistent with the message of God in all religions.

On behalf of the Hindu Community we would like to wish all our visitors to the City

of Coventry a period filled with happiness, togetherness and peace. Welcome to Coventry.

Hindu Council UK

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Shree Krishna Temple

Harnall Lane West, Coventry CV1 4FB
(Next to Halfords)

Opening times: Monday to Sunday from 8.00am till 12noon and 5.30pm till 8.00pm

Hindu Temple Society

380 Stoney Stanton Road, Coventry CV6 5DJ
(Next to the petrol station)

Opening times: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 8.00am till 12noon and 4.00pm till 8.00pm
Tuesday from 8.00am till 8.00pm

Sri Sri Radha Krishna Cultural Centre (ISKCON COVENTRY)

Paragon Park, 256 Foleshill Road, Foleshill,
Coventry CV6 5AY
(Opposite the old Courthaulds Clock Tower)

Opening times: Monday to Sunday from 6.30pm till 9.00pm

For further information, please contact:

Muna Chauhan

Telephone: 07974 320202

E-mail: muna.chauhan@ntlworld.com

SIKH



***“AWAL ALLAH NOOR UPAYA
QUDRAT DE SAB BANDAY, EE
EK NOOR THE SAB JUG APAAJIYA KAUN
BHALE KO MANDHE”***

***“God Created Light Of Which All The Beings
Were Born From The Light, The Universe. So
Who Is Good And Who Is Bad”***

The world is getting together in Coventry for the London 2012 Games. As our first spiritualist leader GURU NANAK DEV JI, the founder of Sikh religion said in the above passage, we are all the creation of the almighty God and that there is no-one too good and no-one too bad, we are ALL THE SAME. Good and bad is considered on the individuals Karma (the work we do). GURU NANAK DEV JI gave us the message KIRAT KARO, NAM JAPO and WAND SHAKO, which means carry out good deeds and earn an honest and pure livelihood; remember God's name and share ones wealth with others. From the Sikh community of Coventry we welcome the visitors from around the world to visit Sikh temples in Coventry.

Coventry Council of Sikh Gurdwaras

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Gurdwara Guru Nanak Parkash (Sikh Temple)

71 – 81 Harnall Street West, Foleshill, Coventry
CV1 4FB

Nanaksar Gurdwara Gursikh Temple

224 – 226 Foleshill Road, Foleshill, Coventry
CV1 4HN

Ramgharia Sikh Temple

1103 Foleshill Road, Foleshill, Coventry
CV6 6EP

Web: www.ramgarhiagurdwara.com

Sri Gurdwara Singh Sabha Gurdwara

47/49 Cross Road, Foleshill, Coventry
CV6 5GR

Shri Guru Ravidass Temple

475 Foleshill Road, Foleshill, Coventry
CV6 5AQ

Web: www.ravidassia.org

Gurdwara Ajit Durbar

Lockhurst Lane, Foleshill, Coventry CV6 5NQ

Gurdwara Guru Hargobind Sahib

Coventry Street, Stoke Heath, Coventry
CV12 4ND

For further information, please contact:

Councillor Harjinder Singh Sehmi

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E-mail: harjinder.singhsehmi@coventry.gov.uk



ZOROASTRIAN



The Zoroastrians of Coventry extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our city during the London 2012 Games.

Coventry's greatest asset is its cultural variety. Our city is home to communities from different parts of the globe. We simply love visitors and take a lot of pride in our unbeatable hospitality. We hope you will enjoy the London 2012 Games, strike up new friendships, visit our attractions and go home with wonderful memories of your stay in Coventry.

The Zoroastrians of Coventry

For further information, please contact:

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MESSAGE FROM COVENTRY MULTI-FAITH FORUM

Coventry Multi-Faith Forum (CMFF) would like to extend a warm and friendly welcome to all our visitors for the London 2012 Games. The city is home to a variety of faith communities, each of which contributes greatly to the diversity, ethos and dynamics of Coventry's exciting cultural heart.

At the centre of each of these faith communities lie long traditions of hospitality and friendship, which can contribute greatly to your enjoyment and experience of visiting this city. Why not take the opportunity to visit our many Churches, Masjids, Gurdwaras, Mandirs and other places of worship to enhance the feeling of being part of the one human family that is engendered by the London 2012 Games.

You might also wish to come along and explore the exhibition about faiths in the city.

We wish each and every one of you a happy, exciting and rewarding experience here in Coventry and assure you of our help and support to make the most of your stay.

Coventry Multi-Faith Centre

Priory Visitor Centre (1st Floor), Priory Row
Coventry CV1 5EX

For further information, please contact:

Harry Hall

Telephone: 024 7625 7594 or 07780 722428

E-mail: multi-faith.forum@zen.co.uk

Web: www.coventrymultifaithforum.org

ONESPIRIT INTERFAITH FOUNDATION

The One Spirit Interfaith Foundation prepares open hearted men and women to serve people of all faiths and none. It has a presence in Coventry via seven ordained One Spirit Interfaith Ministers resident here, and on their behalf welcomes you to the city. Some of them will be present at the Olympic Chaplaincy in the City Centre, and they will be delighted to see you there, whether or not you identify yourself with a faith path.

For further information, please contact:

Rev Brendan Johnson

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E-mail: admin@osif.org.uk





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