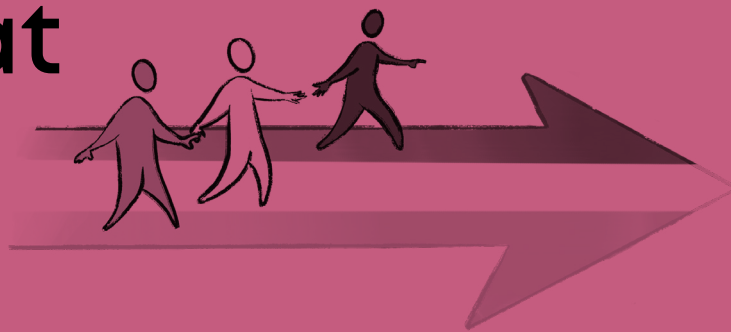


# NURTURING HOPE

## Easter Retreat

Easter 7–9 April 2023

The Corrymeela Centre  
Ballycastle, Northern Ireland



## CRUCIFIXION OR COMMUNION?

Are we so wedded to the ways  
of the unthinking crowd-denying  
our violent ways? — OR —

Can we take the risk of meeting  
one another and seek common  
purpose together?

The present day challenge is that we  
more fully acknowledge who we are—  
people living in the one shared space.

Drawing on 'Nurturing Hope'—the Open  
Source learning resource to be published  
by Corrymeela in February 2022 – Easter  
2022 will be structured around:

### CRUCIFIXION?

Good Friday participants will explore:

Whether, and how, we are too readily committed to the  
ways of the mob and the scapegoating practices that  
deny our violence?

Participants will be invited to explore these dynamics in;  
family and friendships; in community, social and civic  
life; as well as in religious, cultural and political life

Easter Saturday participants will explore:

whether and how we are so bound to the dynamics of  
conflict affected societies that twist our relationships  
together, preventing more open, just and diverse  
structures and societies develop.

### COMMUNION?

Easter Sunday participants will critically examine:

The relationships and structures we can chose to  
promote that Nurture Hope and build a more open,  
just diverse and interdependent society here and  
more widely.

Participants will be invited to make choices about  
the ways open to all to work more collectively and  
supportively together.

### Cost: £120

Cost covers accommodation, all meals,  
tea/coffee breaks and programme.

*There will be some bursary support for those unable to  
pay the full costs. Some bursaries will offer three days  
for the cost of two. Others will offer places for £30—with  
everyone contributing to the cost of meals. Please ask  
in confidence.*

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