#### Sunday 28th July – Saturday 10th August 2019 Fee: £250

A limited number of bursaries are available for those in need. The fee does not include transport to and from the camp. Transport to and from the camp is the responsibility of parents. However, we will make every effort to coordinate arrangements between families. In previous years at least one leader has accompanied a group of children on the train from London to (and back from) the camp.



If you have any questions, including enquiries about transport, feel free to contact:

Father Alexander Fostiropoulos: fostiropoulos@clara.net (020 3565 4585)

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To apply for a place please complete and return the application form . Once places have been allocated you will be sent further details, including a list of required clothing and equipment.

# Children's Summer Camp Wales 2019

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For some 45 years summer camps have been organised for children aged 9 - 16 from our parishes and communities around the UK. For a number of years now it has been run on a site in South Wales at Dyffryn Ganol, near Crickhowell in the Brecon Beacons. It is an ideal location for a campsite; a small, flat field nestled in a valley between the mountains. Alongside the field runs a stream where the children can safely wash and play.

### The Camp Activities



The camp is two weeks long and the days are filled with various activities which are planned and supervised by the camp co-ordinator and the leaders. Activities include the Blessing of the Camp, discussions on church life and faith, visit to the nearby well shrine of St Issui, walks, Camp Olympics, Theme Days, swimming, football, volleyball and other games, arts and crafts, music, dancing, sketches and bonfires.

Campers are also encouraged to tidy their tents, carry out their share of common chores, but also play together, perform sketches and join in with all the other activities on offer.



### The Camp Location

This is real camping! There are no buildings on the site and everyone sleeps in tents, with up to six children of the same gender and similar age in each tent. Three large marquees serve as the kitchen, dining hall and activities area, while another holds the chapel where everyone gathers for prayers



first thing in the morning and last thing at night. This is also where the Liturgy is celebrated on Sundays and on the feast of the Transfiguration.



## The Camp Personnel

The camp is under the pastoral care of Father Alexander Fostiropoulos, assigned to this task by our Archbishop. The leadership team, present for the whole period, consists of Naomi Schubert (camp co-ordinator and welfare officer), Alexis Martinowsky (responsible for catering), Father Alexander and his wife Patsy (one of the church

teachers). The camp activities are run by a team of leaders who have attended the camp themselves, many from an early age. A group of dedicated adult volunteers (clergy and lay) assist, either full or part-time, in the kitchen, administration, church teaching, the management of the safety and hygiene of the site with a further team of volunteers who help set-up and pack-up the camp. All resident personnel undergo statutory checks and there are First Aiders present.

More volunteers always welcome to help set-up and pack-up the camp. Please contact Father Alexander of Naomi if you are interested!