Places of worship in Reading

including location maps for central Reading
Welcome to Reading

A very warm welcome from the University Chaplains! This leaflet includes the majority of places of worship within walking distance of the main campus.

An accompanying leaflet (Churches in Reading) includes details of Christian churches.

This material was updated in 2012. Please let us know of any alterations.

The University Chaplains

There have been Christian Chaplains supporting students and staff since the start of the University.

The Chaplains run social, spiritual and study events throughout the year. We’re also available for conversations, advice and support, whatever your faith or belief. Please feel free to contact us or join in our activities. Our details are on the reverse of this leaflet.

The Chaplaincy Centre

The Chaplains run a drop-in centre on the Whiteknights campus in Park House Lodge, behind the main library, which is open to all. Our library, kitchen, quiet room and common room are open every week day during office hours.

Student Faith Groups on Campus

Atheist / Humanist / Secularist, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Sikh student groups are all active on campus. To find a group please see the Chaplaincy website.

The Muslim Society also has a building on campus. Archway Lodge is beside Whiteknights House and is open for prayer.

Baha’i

84 Waverley Rd, RG30 2PY
No services presently
Mrs Talbot, 0118 959 0233

Brahma Kumaris

Courses/seminars, check website for times
0118 961 3643
reading@uk.bkwsu.org
www.bkwsu.org/uk/reading

Buddhist

Vajrayana, Tibetan,
Karma Kagyu & Diamond Way
135 Bulmershe Road, RG1 5SG
7.30 pm (Mon) Talk and meditation
Contact for other times
0118 926 2908
reading@dwbuk.org
www.buddhism.org.uk/buddhist-meditation-centre/reading

Order of Buddhist Contemplatives

Reading Buddhist Priory,
176 Cressingham Road, RG2 7LW
7.30 pm (Wed & Thurs)
9.15 am, 10.05 am (Sun)
0118 986 0750
info@readingbuddhistpriory.org.uk
www.readingbuddhistpriory.org.uk

Kadampa, Mahayanan

Shantideva Buddhist Centre, 9 Bath Road, RG1 6HH
7.30 – 9.15 pm (Tue), 12.30 – 1.15 pm (Thur)
fees: £3 / £5 / £6
Kelsang Loten, 0118 599 9133
info@learntomeditate.org
www.learntomeditate.org/centre.htm

Theravadan

Berkshire Group, 128 Acorn Drive, Wokingham, RG40 1EU
Meets twice monthly, dates vary – contact for times
Anthea West, 0118 979 8196
anthea-west1@gmail.com

Christian Scientists

First Church of Christ Scientist
52–54 King’s Road, RG1 3AA
10.30am (Sun), 1pm (Wed)
0118 959 0532
csrrreading@btinternet.com
www.csreading.co.uk

Hindu

Reading Hindu Temple
112 Whitley Street, RG2 0EQ
Open Mon – Sun
10.30 am – 1 pm (Mon – Sun)
6 – 8 pm (Wed – Mon)
Kirtan: 6 – 9pm
admin@readinghindutemple.com
0118 975 1067
www.readinghindutemple.com
Jehovah’s Witnesses

Kingdom Hall
5
Kingsgate Street, RG1 3JR
10am, 2pm (Sun)
4pm (Sun) Mandarin
Centre: 0118 926 9797
Richard Marks: 0118 954 5064
richard-marks@ntlworld.com
Water Road, RG30 2NN
Times may change in January, contact to confirm.

Jewish

Reading Hebrew
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Congregation, (Orthodox)
Reading Synagogue, 7 Goldsmid Road, RG1 7YB
6.30–7.30am (Mon, Thurs) Shacharit
9.30am (Sat), 9–10:30am (Sun) Shabbat
Children’s Service
Rabbi Zvi Solomons, 0118 957 1018
info@rhc.org.uk
www.rhc.org.uk

Maidenhead Synagogue, (Reform)
Grenfell Lodge, Ray Park Road, Maidenhead, SL6 8QX
8.30pm (Fri)
10.30am (Sat)
Rabbi Dr Jonathan Romain MBE
0162 867 3012
admin@maidenheadsynagogue.org.uk
www.maidenheadsynagogue.org.uk

Friends’ Meeting House
7
(Liberal)
2 Church Street, RG1 2SB
11am (1st & 3rd Sat)
may change, contact to confirm
Supported by Rabbi Frank Smith
0118 942 8022
rlj_c_mail@yahoo.co.uk
www.rljc.org

Mormon

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Reading Chapel, Tile Kiln Lane
First class: 7.30pm (18–30 year olds)
2012/13: Focus on New Testament
10am – 1pm (Sunday Worship)
Mark White (bishop), 0780 168 5235
whitemark@ldschurch.org

Muslim

Archway Lodge
8
Whiteknights campus
Prayer times on website
info@muslimcentre.co.uk
www.muslimcentre.co.uk

Central Jamme Masjid
(Bangladeshi)
9
18a Waylen Street, RG1 7UR
Prayer times on website
0118 950 8860
info@bagr.co.uk
www.bagr.co.uk

Ramgharia Sabha
234 London Road, Earley, RG6 1AH
Reading Sikh Youth Association
0798 549 4449
0771 642 5074 (Sikh Soc President)
rsya@hotmail.co.uk
www.rsyas.org

Jame Mosque
10
46 Alexandra Road, RG1 5PF
Prayer times on website
0118 926 1565
info@readingmosque.org.uk
www.readingmosque.org.uk

Sikh

Sri Guru Singh Sabha
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Gurdwara
30–32 Cumberland Road, RG1 3LB
10.30am – 1pm (Sun) Weekly Keertan Darbar
0118 966 5500
www.readinggurdwara.co.uk

Unitarian

Reading Unitarian Fellowship
49–51 London Street, RG1 4PS
3pm (2nd Sun)
location varies seasonally
0118 941 6976 (evenings only)
sarah.benfield@rdg-law.co.uk
Looking for a place of worship in Reading?
Here’s a list of some of the places of worship for many different religions in central Reading to help you find something suitable. Places of worship are ordered according to their religion and can either be found on the numbered map or through the web addresses provided.

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zarougui@hotmail.com

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Catholic Chaplain
0780 937 7904
s.schwartz@reading.ac.uk

Rabbi Zvi Solomons
Jewish Faith Contact
rabbi@Jewishspark.org

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0118 378 8797
chaplaincy@reading.ac.uk
www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy

Catholic Chaplaincy
29 Upper Redlands Road
0118 926 8869
www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy/catholic