

The Walsingham Pilgrimage 2013

St. Albans-Bedford-King's Lynn-Walsingham

To Be A Pilgrim

Each summer the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton organises an ecumenical walk to a place, shrine or area exploring a particular theme or aspect of our faith and Christian heritage. What we rediscover, year after year, is the amazing personal and community value of going on a pilgrimage as our medieval forebears did, where the journey, walking, laughing, sharing, praying, singing, etc. is as important as the destination. We stop at a pub for lunch and sleep on the floors of church, school or community halls. We try to walk on footpaths not roads.

Our 2013 Pilgrimage takes us to the East and England's foremost Marian shrine, reflecting on the theme "To be a Pilgrim", from John Bunyan's *The Pilgrim's Progress*.

Each day we worship together as a Christian community, journeying together and growing together in Christ-centred friendships. We stop to pray in the churches we pass, many of which are of architectural and historical interest, and all of which bring us into contact with the communities we are passing through.

TRANSPORT: Our luggage is carried by van. Pilgrims make their own way to the start in St Albans and home from King's Lynn (subject to demand, transport will be arranged from Walsingham to King's Lynn, cost £5 per head).



REQUIREMENTS: All you have to be is over 16 (or accompanied by an adult) and be fit enough to walk an average of about 16 miles per day at a moderate pace — and a sense of humour is useful.

COST: The cost is only £175 for the whole way (£135 for under 21's), 7+ nights at £16 per night, 1 to 6 nights at £17 per night. Breakfast, sandwiches for lunch and an evening meal are all included in the cost of the pilgrimage, which is organised by past pilgrims on a voluntary basis.

STILL NOT SURE? Visit our web site and see the fun, friendship and fulfilment we've enjoyed over the years.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 30th June 2013, or when all places taken (*accommodation may be limited—don't leave it too late! Send £25 deposit with a completed booking form to secure a place.*)
N.B. All accommodation must be booked and paid for in advance.

Thu 22nd Heacham
 Wed 21st KING'S LYNN
 Mon 19th Downham Market
 Sun 18th Ely
 Sat 17th Fen Drayton
 Fri 16th St Neot's
 Thu 15th BEDFORD
 Tue 13th Barton-le-Clay
 Mon 12th Whitwell
 Sun 11th ST ALBANS
 Fri 23rd Burnham Market
WALSINGHAM
COME AND JOIN US!

SAT 10TH - SUN 25TH AUGUST 2013

ONLY £175 FOR 2 WEEKS

For more information or an application form contact:
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