

Easter Cross 2012 Information

Here is some basic information about Easter Cross 2012. A booking form is attached. Please would you fill this in and send it back to me as soon as you can, as we need to ensure that we have enough people to walk and that we're not too many to walk safely. The return address is at the bottom of the form.

We gather in Walsingham on Maundy Thursday evening when Mass will be celebrated by our chaplain Robert Pollock OP. We then walk from North Elmham on the Friday morning.

Timetable

This is a provisional timetable – more details will be available on Thursday evening, when we will also sort out lift-sharing to North Elmham for Good Friday morning.

Maundy Thursday: 5th April

Pre 7.30 pm there will probably be friendly faces in the bar to get to know/ be reacquainted with

7.30 pm Assemble for 8:00 pm Mass in one of the ground floor rooms at The Black Lion in Friday Market.

9.00ish Meeting to give info, sort out admin etc.

Good Friday: 6th April – 12 mile walk

9:30 am Assemble at North Elmham Church for silent reflection

10.00 am Departure.

12 noon Arrive at the Blue Boar at Great Ryburgh for lunch. Depart 1.15pm

3.45 pm Arrive at the Slipper Chapel. Process into Walsingham with the Student Cross Pilgrimage.

8.15 pm Good Friday Service.

Easter Saturday: 7th April

10.00 am Short prayer service in Methodist Chapel (optional)

11.00 am Easter Cross AGM at Black Lion. Decorate cross.

2.15 pm Student Cross AGM.

6.30 pm Dinner (venue to be arranged)

10.45 pm Easter Vigil followed by Paschal Party in Pilgrim Bureau

Easter Sunday : 8th April

10.30 am Anglican Easter Eucharist– out of doors if the weather is fine (bring something to sit on!) followed by 'Holy Trot' from the Anglican Shrine to Friday Market with decorated crosses. Final prayers in Friday Market.

The Walk

As usual, the walk on Good Friday will be interspersed with stops for 'stations' (talks, prayers, meditations) and occasional comfort/loo breaks. Reminders about road protocol, 'traffic' and walk procedures will be given on Thursday evening. All walkers need to wear reflective jackets/waistcoats. If you have one of these, please bring it with you and also indicate this on the Booking Form so that we know how many spares need to be obtained. You are responsible for insurance of your personal belongings. If you intend to allow others to drive your car you need to ensure that they are insured.

Accommodation

As usual it is up to individuals to make their own arrangements about accommodation. Here are some numbers/web sites that may be useful, but if you find yourself stuck, please give me a call, or consult a Walsingham accommodation website, as there are other options.

The Black Lion 01328 820 235 <http://www.blacklionwalsingham.com/> (Pilgrims singing late into the night/morning on Friday)

The Bull 01328 820 333 <http://www.walsinghambull.co.uk> (Pilgrims singing late into the night/morning on Friday);

Shrine Office (Anglican) 01328 820 239

http://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/hospitality/how_to_book_tariffs.htm

(Family legs eat here - quiet/good food)

(The Catholic Pilgrim Bureau tends to be a bit full of wandering students.)

Meals

Breakfasts will normally be taken at your accommodation.

A ploughman's lunch at the Blue Boar and dinner on Saturday night is covered in the cost of walking the leg.

The Black Lion, the Bull, the Anglican Shrine and numerous cafes provide lunch and dinners. If you want to have meals with the Student Cross Pilgrimage in the Pilgrim Hostel please specify on the booking form which meals you want and on which days, as the Bureau needs the numbers well before the start of the pilgrimage as this is a very busy time for them.

Children

Children are welcome but must be accompanied by their parent or a responsible adult who is well known to the child outside of the pilgrimage and has a form nominating them as such. Children will remain the responsibility of their parent(s)/responsible adult. Children under the age of 18 will only be allowed to walk while their parent/responsible adult is walking with them.

Contact Numbers/Addresses

If you need any further information or assistance, we will do my best to help. You can contact us at home by telephone or email.

Mike and Rita McManus

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Easter Cross 2012 Booking Form

I will be joining Easter Cross 2012

Name:.....

Address:...

Post code:

Phone no.:

Mobile No..... (For use over the weekend)

Email:

Age:.....(0-5,6-10,11-14,15-18,19-22,23-30,31-40,41-50...over 100)

Parent / Nominated Adult (If applicable)

Est. time of arrival:

We expect to do all of the Good Friday walk...**Yes/No**.....

(The full walk is 12 miles)

Any health problems that the Leader needs to be aware of on the walk.

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I have reflective jackets/waistcoats and will bring it **Yes/no** (delete as applicable)

Cost: **The charge for the weekend will be** £50 per person/£25 students or unwaged.

(Cost covers administration, lunch on Friday, evening meal at the Black Lion on Saturday, Chaplain's expenses and a payment to the Student Cross God fund.

NB. The Student Cross Association provides bursaries to assist pilgrims for whom financial constraints would be a barrier to participation. Money can be provided direct to Legs in support of a specific pilgrim to help cover the cost of the pilgrimage, or to assist with travel or equipment costs (e.g. a sleeping bag). If you require support, please check this box and we will contact you in confidence for further information.

If you wish to have meals in the Pilgrim Hostel please indicate below:

Friday evening

Sat. lunch.....

Sunday lunch

Please indicate any special dietary requirements

Easter Cross charge £50/£25	
Pilgrim Hostel meals @ £7.25 per meal	
Total cost	

Please return the form to **Mike & Rita McManus, 102 Bannerdale Road, Sheffield, S7 2DR**