

*An 14-Day Pilgrimage to*  
**CATHOLIC ENGLAND**

*with Fr. Joseph Reed & Fr. Michael Maples*

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**April 17-30, 2024**



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The goal of this pilgrimage is “to put people in communion, in intimacy, with Jesus Christ: only he can lead us to the love of the Father in the Spirit and make us share in the life of the Holy Trinity.”

- POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II, *CATECHESI TRADENDAE*

## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### DAY 1: APRIL 17 — ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Depart today on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight to England, arriving the following day. Enjoy a full meal service as well as in-flight entertainment such as movies, music, etc. *(This pilgrimage is a “Land-Only” pilgrimage. Pilgrims are responsible for arranging their own airfare to and from the UK).*

### DAY 2: APRIL 18 — ARRIVAL IN MANCHESTER / AMPLEFORTH ABBEY / RIEVAULX ABBEY

Upon your arrival at the Manchester Airport, you will be welcomed at the airport exit by your dedicated pilgrimage escort and local guide. We will board our luxury motorcoach and take a scenic ride north through the countryside to visit two historic abbey churches, Ampleforth founded in 1802 and the ruins of Rievaulx, founded in 1132. At Ampleforth we will celebrate a welcome Mass. Next we make our way to Durham for our hotel check-in and festive group welcome dinner. (D)

### DAY 3: APRIL 19 — DURHAM CATHEDRAL / WHITBY ABBEY / ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH

Following breakfast, we will make our way to Durham Cathedral for a tour, home of the shrine of St. Cuthbert. Construction of the present cathedral began in 1093. Next we will visit the stunning ruins of Whitby Abbey overlooking the North Sea, an old monastery founded in 657 AD. We will continue with a scenic drive through the North York Moors National Park to York for Mass at the English Martyrs Church, dedicated to the memory of the English Martyrs, a group of Catholic men and women who were executed for the Faith during the reigns of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I. Transfer to our hotel in York for overnight and group dinner. (B, D)

### DAY 4: APRIL 20 — SHRINE OF ST. MARGARET / YORK MINSTER / YORK ORATORY

After breakfast we make our way to the Shrine of St. Margaret Clitherow, near where St. Margaret, a convert to the Faith, was martyred under the reign of Elizabeth I for the crime of harboring priests during the Reformation. Here we will have Mass. Next we will visit York Minster for a private tour. Completed in 1427, this is the second largest Gothic Cathedral in Northern Europe, an engineering marvel to behold. We will also visit the York Oratory, considered one of the most perfectly finished eighteenth century churches in England. The rest of the afternoon and evening is scheduled free time for you to take a stroll and enjoy dinner on your own. Second overnight in the York area. (B)

### DAY 5: APRIL 21 — COVENTRY CATHEDRAL / OXFORD

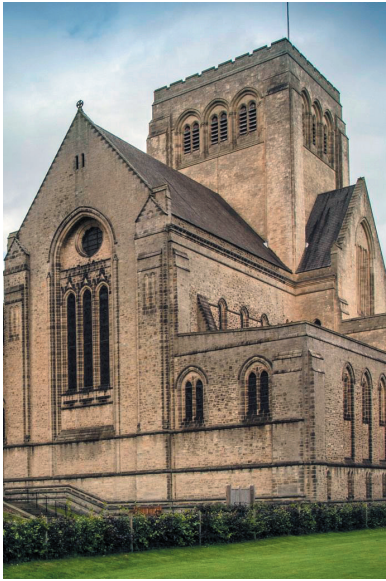
Today we make our way south through the picturesque English countryside on the scenic drive from York to the geographical center of England, Coventry Cathedral. Tragically, it was bombed during the Second World War. After visiting the new cathedral built immediately adjacent to the former cathedral, we will celebrate Mass in a local church before lunch. Next we continue our drive to Oxford, home to the oldest university in the English-speaking world. Hotel check-in, dinner, and overnight in Oxford. (B, D)

### DAY 6: APRIL 22 — A DAY IN OXFORD

After breakfast we will explore Oxford, home to the University of Oxford founded in 1096. The town of Oxford is home to countless students from all over the world where many great minds and well-known Catholic authors have studied. We include visits to the graves of C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien. We will also visit the home of Lewis, called the Kilns, where the author wrote his Narnia books. We include a visit to Littlemore, where Cardinal Newman was pastor before his conversion to the Catholic Faith. We will celebrate Mass at the Oxford Oratory, the old Jesuit church of St. Aloysius Gonzaga. Our day will end with a visit to Christ Church Cathedral, one of the smallest cathedrals in England, built between 1160-1200. Dinner and second overnight in Oxford. (B, D)

### DAY 7: APRIL 23 —STONEHENGE / SALISBURY CATHEDRAL

After breakfast we drive to Stonehenge to visit what is perhaps the world’s best known prehistoric monument. A group lunch will be included. Next we visit the magnificent Salisbury Cathedral, with its marvelous spire







built in 1320. We will also visit St. Andrew's, a small 13th century church in Bemerton, the final resting place of the poet George Herbert (1593-1633). Mass at a local Catholic parish. Transfer to our hotel and overnight in Salisbury. (B, L, D)

### **DAY 8: APRIL 24 — WINCHESTER / LONDON**

This morning we enjoy a private tour of Winchester Cathedral, one of the largest and longest cathedrals in Northern Europe. Jane Austen is buried here in the north aisle, where a brass tablet describes her as “known to many by her writings.” In the afternoon we arrive in London where we will have Mass at a local parish and transfer to our hotel for check-in and dinner. (B, D)

### **DAY 9: APRIL 25 — STONOR PARK COUNTRY HOUSE / LONDON ORATORY**

Today we drive through the enchanting countryside of Oxfordshire to visit the historic Stonor country house and private park for a rare glimpse of an English manor house of a Catholic family. The house has been in the family for more than eight centuries. The Stonor family were recusants, one of a handful of local gentry families that remained faithful to the Catholic Faith during the Reformation. The home has a 12th century private chapel and it is here that St. Edmund Campion hid in 1581 when he lived and worked on the estate. In the afternoon we will visit one of the most famous parishes in London, the London Oratory, where we will have Mass. The afternoon is open for leisure in London. Dinner on our own. Second overnight in London. (B)

### **DAY 10: APRIL 26 — TYBURN TREE / TYBURN CONVENT / TOUR OF LONDON / WESTMINSTER ABBEY / PARLIAMENT**

After breakfast we make our way to Tyburn, near Marble Arch, where many martyrs perished in London. Just down the street we will visit Tyburn Convent for Mass at the Shrine of the Martyrs at Tyburn. Each year thousands of pilgrims visit here to reverence the relics of the martyrs and hear their stories. Next we will enjoy a panoramic bus tour of London, including major sights such as Buckingham Palace and St. Paul's Cathedral. Later in the afternoon we will visit Westminster Abbey, where the kings and queens are crowned, in front of the tomb of St. Edward the Confessor. The tour will also include Westminster Hall within the Houses of Parliament, the site of the trial of St. Thomas More. Group dinner and third overnight in London. (B, D)

### **DAY 11: APRIL 27 — CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL / FRIARS-AYLESFORD PRIORY / SHRINE OF THE ASSUMPTION AND ST. SIMON STOCK**

Today we travel to Canterbury Cathedral, one of the oldest and most famous Christian structures in England and the site of the martyrdom of St. Thomas Becket in 1170. After a guided visit to the cathedral and lunch on our own, we will make our way to the ancient Friars-Aylesford Priory, a Carmel dating back to the 13th century. We will also visit the Shrine of the Assumption and St. Simon Stock where we will have Mass. Group dinner and fourth overnight in London. (B, D)

### **DAY 12: APRIL 28 — NORWICH CATHEDRAL / JULIAN CHAPEL / WALSINGHAM SHRINE**

This morning we visit Norwich Cathedral, an iconic landmark. For more than 900 years the cathedral's spire has risen high above the city's skyline. Further, we will include a visit to the Shrine of Julian of Norwich where she wrote her famous *Revelations of Divine Love*. Mass at the Catholic Shrine of Walsingham known as the “Slipper Chapel.” Chance to walk the “holy mile” with no shoes to the original Walsingham Shrine in the town center and tour of the original grounds. Return to our London hotel for the fifth overnight. Dinner on your own. (B)

### **DAY 13: APRIL 29 — A DAY IN LONDON**

This morning we will begin our day with Mass in central London at St. Etheldreda's, one of only two surviving buildings from the reign of Edward I; it dates from the 13th century. Next we will visit the Tower of London and the crown jewels. In addition, we will see where the martyrs perished at Tower Hill across the street. Lastly, we visit Westminster Cathedral, the present-day seat of the Roman Catholic Church in London. The afternoon is open for your leisure. Sixth overnight in London and a special farewell group dinner. (B, D)

### **DAY 14: APRIL 30 — OUR JOURNEY HOME**

The next morning we will depart for the airport for our return flight home. Though our pilgrimage has come to an end, its blessings will last a lifetime and its graces are certain to draw us closer each day to the Lord. (B)



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## INCLUSIONS

- Accommodations at the best four-star hotels – *Durham (1 night), York (2 nights), Oxford (2 nights), Salisbury (1 night), London (6 nights)*
- Luggage handling (*1 piece*)
- Breakfast daily
- Nine dinners and one lunch
- Special farewell dinner on day 13 (*wine included*)
- All tours and transfers in an air-conditioned deluxe motor coach
- Admission tickets and private tours through all shrines, monasteries, abbeys, and historical sites on our itinerary
- A dedicated pilgrimage escort supplemented by local guides
- Daily Mass, confessions, and spiritual guidance with Fr. Reed & Fr. Maples
- Two pre-departure information meetings
- A custom booklet for each pilgrim

### Not included:

- Airfare
- Meals not mentioned above
- Beverages at meals (*with the exception of the farewell dinner*)
- Tips for local guides, driver, and wait staff
- Travel insurance (*highly encouraged*)

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- A deposit of **\$500** per person is due upon registration.
- Final payment/remainder of balance is due on or before **January 17, 2024**.
- Late bookings after 90 days prior to departure require payment in full at time of booking.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

All payments are refundable up to 90 days prior to departure. The total fee is 50% refundable from 90 days to 30 days prior to departure. There is no refund for cancellations within 30 days of departure.

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HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.**

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