

DIOCESE OF PLYMOUTH

# PILGRIMS OF HOPE

JUBILEE 2025  
PASSPORT



# CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE YEAR IN THE DIOCESE OF PLYMOUTH

Pope Francis has declared the year 2025 as a Jubilee Year. The Jubilee year is understood as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation,

The motto for this Jubilee Year is Pilgrims of Hope.

The Jubilee logo shows four stylised figures, representing all of humanity, coming together from the four corners of the earth on pilgrimage. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is embracing the cross. The cross is a sign of our faith and is also a sign of hope.

These figures represent us, pilgrims of hope, on a journey to bring the good news to the poor, and to follow evermore closely Jesus Christ, in whom we find our salvation.

During this Jubilee year you are invited to visit the four churches in our diocese, designated as places of pilgrimage. Please take this 'passport' with you and collect the stamps from each of the churches.

This is an opportunity for us all to journey together as Pilgrims of Hope.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in your faith, so that in the power of the Holy Spirit you may be rich in hope." *Romans 15:13*

# CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARY & ST BONIFACE, PLYMOUTH

## A PILGRIMAGE CENTRE FOR THE HOLY YEAR

We are delighted to be place of pilgrimage during this Jubilee Year.

The Cathedral is a place central to the heart of the Diocese of Plymouth, serving the Catholic community in the counties of Cornwall, Devon & Dorset. Our beautiful Cathedral, designed by Charles and Joseph Hansom in the 1850s, today hosts major liturgical ceremonies and civic events.

'Pilgrims of Hope', the Jubilee Year, will be a year of hope for our world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and our climate in crisis.

The Cathedral church is a special place in the diocese, and we have hosted many thousands of pilgrims during the life of the Church. We welcome all those who will be making a pilgrimage to us during the Year of Jubilee.

Our prayer is that it will be for you an experience of hope with a forward-looking faith. Hope is a confident belief, a belief that the future is in the hands of a loving God. Hope is a future certainty that brings us joy, peace, and patience in the present. May the 'Hope' of the Jubilee Year be a time to cherish a desire with anticipation the healing and the surety and that your visit to us will bring you joy and peace.

St Mary and St Boniface, pray for us.



# CHURCH OF ST CUTHBERT MAYNE LAUNCESTON

## A PILGRIMAGE CENTRE FOR THE HOLY YEAR

Welcome, Pilgrims of Hope!

We warmly welcome you to the National Shrine of St Cuthbert Mayne during this Jubilee Year, a time of grace, reflection, and renewal.

As we embrace the Jubilee theme 'Pilgrims of Hope', we journey together in faith, drawing strength from Christ, who is our ultimate hope, and from his faithful follower, St Cuthbert Mayne.

Cuthbert Mayne, a martyr of the Reformation, is the secondary patron of the Diocese of Plymouth and a local saint, who was arrested while ministering as a Catholic priest in Cornwall. He was imprisoned in Launceston Castle and martyred in the town square. The relic of his skull is housed and venerated in this church.

May his example of courage and conviction inspire you to live your faith boldly and with hope.

As you pray, reflect, and participate in the Jubilee celebrations, may you feel the profound love and mercy of God. We encourage you to embrace this pilgrimage as a moment of spiritual growth, and hope for the future.

May St Cuthbert Mayne intercede for you and guide you on your journey of faith. Welcome, pilgrims, to this blessed encounter with God!

St Cuthbert Mayne, pray for us.



# CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY DORCHESTER

## A PILGRIMAGE CENTRE FOR THE HOLY YEAR

We are privileged to serve as a place of pilgrimage during this Jubilee Year, 'Pilgrims of Hope', with a special focus on the inspiring legacy of the Chideock Martyrs.

Located in the heart of Dorchester, Holy Trinity Catholic Church is deeply connected to the story of the Chideock Martyrs – faithful Catholics who stood firm in their belief during times of persecution, ultimately giving their lives as witnesses to Christ. Their unwavering hope and courage remain a powerful testament to the strength of faith in adversity.

As we celebrate this Jubilee Year, we invite pilgrims to journey here and reflect on the enduring hope embodied by the martyrs. In a world still grappling with the effects of division, uncertainty, and hardship, their story reminds us of the transformative power of faith and resilience.

Holy Trinity Church provides a sacred space for prayer, contemplation, and spiritual renewal. May your pilgrimage here inspire you with the hope that sustained the martyrs, the hope that anchors us in God's love and promises.

We welcome all who visit during this Jubilee year. We are praying that your time here will deepen your faith and bring you peace, joy, and hope for the future.

The Chideock Martyrs, pray for us.



# CHURCH OF ST BONIFACE CREDITON

## A PILGRIMAGE CENTRE FOR THE HOLY YEAR

It is an honour for us to be a place of pilgrimage during this Jubilee Year.

Regular Catholic worship was only restored to Crediton in the 1920s, but the parish has grown steadily. Today, we have a significant and stable presence greatly enriched by Polish and Indian parishioners.

We have a beautiful modern church dating from the 1960s, which contains two relics of Saint Boniface: one set within the altar and one within the adjoining shrine (part of a vertebra). These relics were given to us by the Bishop of Fulda, which is one of the many dioceses and abbeys founded by Saint Boniface, and where his body now reposes.

We welcome parties of pilgrims, including many large groups who travel overland from Central and Southern Germany who often express their joy to be at the birthplace of this great missionary bishop, who is highly regarded in Germany and did so much in organising what would later become the Frankish Empire. One pilgrim, a salaried member of the diocesan curia at Fulda, once memorably expressed her joy at being here by gazing around with a wide-eyed expression, quietly saying to herself, "Wow, so this is where it all began."

Today, Saint Boniface is one of the most prominent saints in Germany and Holland and is the patron of the Diocese of Plymouth. We welcome all those who will be making a pilgrimage to us during the Year of the Jubilee.

Saint Boniface, pray for us.



# THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators  
of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace  
spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.  
Amen.



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