

6. **YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE**

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for anyone who has experienced bereavement, whether recently or sometime ago. We grieve, remember, hope and give thanks for our loved ones in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus. Guided by Liz Taylor, Barabara Slalmonczyk and Fr Ged Walsh O.Carm.

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SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESE
ROSARY PRAYER PROJECT

*Everyone is warmly invited
to join this Archdiocese-wide
prayer initiative,*

**PRAYING A DECADE OF
THE ROSARY EACH DAY
FOR PRIESTS AND PARISHES
IN THEIR DEANERY.**

*For details see the poster on
the noticeboard,
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at the back of church
or email:*

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**PILGRIMS OF HOPE
TOWARDS 7TH JUNE 2025**



**O Come,
let us adore Him!**
**My God, I believe,
I adore, I hope, and
I love You, and I beg
pardon of You for those
who do not believe,
do not adore, do not hope
and do not love You!**

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+ J. M. J. + JESUS, + MARY, and + JOSEPH +
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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE



Mary and Joseph did
**‘everything according
to the Law of Lord.’**
As a poor couple they
sacrificed a pair of turtle
doves, or two young pigeons.

They ‘redeemed’ the Infant Jesus.
In a sense they paid for Him.
Remembering how God had
saved His People Israel from
slavery, from bondage in Egypt
- the tenth plague.
This prefigures how Jesus,
by His Blood on the Cross on
Calvary redeems us from our
slavery and bondage to ‘self’,
or our own families, ideologies,
attitudes, behaviours, habits,

past times and work alone.
Jesus has ‘paid for us’, bought us
and has freed us with His own
Precious Blood when He
sacrificed Himself to free us
from sin, sickness and death.

We do not belong to ourselves.
We belong to Christ Jesus.

Let us seek out Jesus, everyday,
in the Most Holy Eucharist,
in Adoration,, attending Holy
Mass, in the sacrifice of our time
and attentions of prayers together
at home with the family, and
the Holy Rosary offered
**‘to obtain Peace for the
world and an end to war.’ ...**

4. 2025 YEAR OF JUBILEE OF HOPE

Indulgences in the Holy Year 2025

Now the time has come for a new Jubilee, when once more the Holy Door will be flung open to invite everyone to an intense experience of the love of God” (Spes non confundit, 6). In the Bull announcing the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, at a moment in history in which “heedless of the horrors of the past, humanity is confronting yet another ordeal, as many peoples are prey to brutality and violence” (Spes non confundit, 8), the Holy Father calls on all Christians to become pilgrims of hope. This is a virtue which must be sourced above all in the grace of God and in the fullness of His mercy. It is to be rediscovered in the signs of the times, which, encompassing “the yearning of human hearts in need of God’s saving presence, ought to become signs of hope” (Spes non confundit, 7)

During the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, all others Indulgences previously granted remain in force. All the faithful, who are **(a) truly repentant** and

(b) free from any affection for sin (cf. Enchiridion Indulgentiarum, IV ed., norm. 20, § 1), who are moved by a spirit of charity and who, during the Holy Year, **(1) purified through the sacrament of penance (confession)** and

(2) refreshed by Holy Communion,
(3) pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff (the Pope) will be able to obtain from the treasury of the Church a plenary indulgence, with remission and forgiveness of all their sins in the following ways:

Pilgrimages to a designated Jubilee Church or Shrine

- by devoutly participating in Holy Mass
- a celebration of the Word of God; the Liturgy of the Hours (office of readings, lauds, vespers);
- the Via Crucis**

(The Stations of the Cross); **the Marian Rosary;** the recitation of the Akathist hymn; a penitential celebration, **which ends with the individual confessions of the penitents,** as established in the Rite of Penance (form II);

Pious visits to sacred places
Likewise, the faithful can obtain the **Jubilee Indulgence** if, individually or in a group, they devoutly visit any Jubilee site and there, for a suitable period of time, engage in **Eucharistic adoration and meditation,** **concluding with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith in any legitimate form, and invocations to Mary, the Mother of God,** so that in this Holy Year everyone **“will come to know the closeness of Mary, the most affectionate of mothers, who never abandons her children”** (Spes non confundit, 24).

The faithful who are truly repentant of sin but who cannot participate in the various solemn celebrations, pilgrimages and pious visits for serious reasons (especially cloistered nuns and monks, but also the elderly, the sick, prisoners, and those who, through their work in hospitals or other care facilities, provide continuous service to the sick), can obtain the Jubilee Indulgence, under the same conditions if, united in spirit with the faithful taking part in person, (especially when the words of the Supreme Pontiff or the diocesan Bishop are transmitted through the various means of communication), **they recite the Our Father, the Profession of Faith in any approved form, and other prayers in conformity with the objectives of the Holy Year, in their homes or wherever they are confined** (e.g.: in the chapel of the monastery, hospital, nursing home, prison)

5. **offering up their sufferings or the hardships of their lives.**

THE JUBILEE CHURCHES /SITES

The designated churches in this Archdiocese are as follows:

South-West London
Cathedral of St George, Southwark
Sacred Heart, Wimbledon
St Ann’s, Kingston Hill
St Mary’s (Our Lady of Reparation), West Croydon
St Boniface, Tooting
St Elizabeth of Portugal, Richmond (Diocesan)
St Mary’s (Our Lady of Reparation), West Croydon

South-East London
St Saviour’s, Lewisham
Our Lady of Sorrows, Peckham
St Edmund of Canterbury, Beckenham
St Thomas More, Dulwich
St Stephen, Welling (Diocesan)
St John Fisher, Bexley (Diocesan)

Kent
St Thomas of Canterbury, Canterbury
Our Lady of Hartley, Hartley
The Friars, Shrine of Our Lady and St Simon Stock, Aylesford
St Augustine’s Shrine, Ramsgate
St Jude’s Shrine, Faversham

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IN SOUTHWARK DIOCESE
we are invited to gather in
AYLESFORD on
SATURDAY 7TH JUNE 2025,
Pentecost weekend,

and to England’s Nazareth
IN WALSINGHAM, Norfolk,
SATURDAY 28TH JUNE 2025,

the day of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the weekend of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

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In **THIS DEANERY OF BEXLEY,** we can be Pilgrims too and travel, on foot, or by car, or bus , or cycle, to **ST JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH,** Heathfield Road, **BEXLEYHEATH, on**

SATURDAY
5TH OF JULY 2025
Please, enter this date in your diaries.

BE PILGRIMS OF HOPE
in 2025!

JUBILEE 2025
Every 25 years there is a **YEAR OF JUBILEE IN ROME.**

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, invites us all to **become & Be Pilgrims.**

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