

Pilgrimages 2010



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THE FRIARS, AYLESFORD

encouraging openness to God

The Carmelites first arrived at Aylesford in 1242 from Mount Carmel in the Holy Land, remaining here until 1538 - the time of the Dissolution of the Monasteries. The Carmelites returned to their ancient home in 1949. Aylesford has been a place of pilgrimage since. The Shrine is dedicated to the Glorious Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St Simon Stock. Pilgrims are welcome all year round to join both the daily services of the Carmelite Community and the principal public services.

We ask pilgrims to pray for the following intentions:

- a renewal of the spirit of faith;
- that everyone may find truth and meaning in their lives;
- for reconciliation, unity and peace;
- for the intentions of all the pilgrims that come to Aylesford.

REGULAR SERVICES AT THE FRIARS *

Mass Sunday 8.00 am & 10.15 am
Weekdays 7.30 am & 12 noon

Evening Prayer & Benediction Sundays 4.30 pm (October - Easter)

Evening Prayer Sundays 6.15 pm (Easter - October)
Weekdays 6.45 pm

Sacramental Confession

Monday-Saturday 11.00 - 11.45 am in Confessionals
2.30 - 4.30 pm (call at Reception)

Saturday 8.15 pm following Night Prayer

Confessions normally begin 45 minutes before Pilgrimage Masses (May to October)

**Very occasionally times may change - please ring or check website*

Retreats at The Friars For details of retreats see the Retreat Leaflet available on request by post or email. *Email: retreat@thefriars.org.uk*

Aylesford Tours and Pilgrimages (AT&P)

A body of Lay Carmelites who arrange travel from London to Aylesford. Apply to *Miss M. Beck, 50 Alderney Street, London SW1V 4EX. Tel: 020 7834 9684.*

All Night Vigils 1st Saturdays, 10 pm-6 am, May - October.

For coaches from London apply to: *Mrs. F. Tugadi, 45 Chelsea Reach Tower, World's End Estate, London SW10 0EG. Tel: 020 7352 4478 or Miss L. Ogbeni, 12 Houghton Avenue, Park Farm Way, Stanground, Peterborough PE2 8UR. Tel: 01733 55231 or 07847 532199*

Pilgrims Newsletter - Aylesford

Sent quarterly on request by post or email. *Email: newsletter@thefriars.org.uk*

MARCH

- Fri 5 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Sat 20 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order:** 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
Celebrating God's Forgiveness, 2.00 - 4.00 pm.
Celebrating Feast of St Joseph: 2.30 pm Mass. **AT&P**
- Sun 21 **Signed Mass:** 3.30 pm.
- Sun 28 **PALM SUNDAY**
Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am with Blessing of Palms.
CATHOLIC TAMIL PILGRIMAGE
11.00 am Gathering & Blessing of Palms, 12 noon Mass,
3.30 pm Procession & Benediction.

APRIL

- Thurs 1 **MAUNDY THURSDAY**
8.00 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
followed by Watching until Midnight.
- Fri 2 **GOOD FRIDAY**
3.00 pm **Solemn Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord**
8.00 pm Stations of the Cross.
- Sat 3 **HOLY SATURDAY**
9.00 pm **Easter Vigil** leading to **Mass of the Resurrection**
- Sun 4 **EASTER SUNDAY**
Masses 8.00 am, 10.15 am & 12 noon,
Evening Prayer and Benediction 4.30 pm.
- Mon 5 **EASTER MONDAY,** 12 noon Mass, **AT&P**
- Sat 17 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order:** 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
- Sun 18 **Signed Mass:** 3.30 pm.
- Sat 24 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass

MAY

- Sat 1 **LATIN AMERICAN PILGRIMAGE**
10.30 am Rosary, 3.00 pm Mass in Spanish.
All Night Vigil: 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Mon 3 **ALTAR SERVERS PILGRIMAGE**
11.15 am Gathering Procession, 11.30 am Mass.
- Fri 7 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Sat 8 **LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Mass, 3.30 pm Procession & Benediction.

- Sat 15 **Feast of St. Simon Stock**
Masses 7.30 am, 12 noon and 2.30 pm, **AT&P**.
Commissioning Day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 10.00 am - 4.00 pm.
- Sun 16 **Ascension of the Lord:** Masses 8.00 am and 10.15 am.
PIONEERS & MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE
12 noon Mass, 2.30 pm Rosary on Rosary Way,
4.00 pm Rosary Procession & Benediction.
Signed Mass: 3.30 pm.
- Wed 19 **GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOLS LITURGY** 11.30 am Liturgy
- Sat 22 **Southwark Justice & Peace Day:** North Barn from 10.00 am
- Sun 23 **Pentecost:** Masses 8.00 am & 12 noon *(NB no 10.15 am Mass)*
- Tues 25 **UCM DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE**
11.30 am Mass, 2.00 pm Rosary Procession.
- Sat 29 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.
- Sun 30 **Trinity Sunday:** Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am.
- Mon 31 **Bank Holiday:** 12 noon Mass, **AT&P**.

JUNE

- Wed 2 **CWL BRENTWOOD PILGRIMAGE**
2.00 pm Rosary, 3.00 pm Mass.
- Fri 4 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm
- Sat 5 **All Night Vigil:** 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Sun 6 **Corpus Christi:** Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am.
ITALIAN PILGRIMAGE
12 noon Mass, 4.00 pm Procession and Benediction.
- Sat 12 **Immaculate Heart of Mary:**
Masses 7.30 am & 12 noon and 2.30 pm, **AT&P**.
- Sun 13 **KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Mass, 2.30 pm Knight Ceremony, 3.30 pm Rosary
Procession and Benediction.
- Sat 19 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order** 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
SALVATION ARMY BAND CONCERT: 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm.
- Sun 20 **THE FRIARS SUMMER FAYRE**
11.00 am - 4.30 pm. Family Entertainment and Craft Fair.
5.00 pm Mass.
- Sat 26 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.
- Sun 27 **PORTUGUESE PILGRIMAGE**
11.30 am Mass, 4.00 pm Rosary Procession.

JULY

- Thur 1 - Fri 2 **Southwark & Brentwood Dioceses Year 9 Days:**
10.00 am - 4.00 pm, Mass 2.30 pm.
- Fri 2 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Fri 2 - Sun 4 **POTTERS' FAYRE**
- Sat 3 **YOUTH FESTIVAL:** 10.00 am - 8.00 pm. Mass 6.30 pm.
All Night Vigil: 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Sun 11 **DAY OF CELEBRATION**
sharing in the Gifts of People with Disabilities.
12 noon Gathering Service *followed by*
creative workshops and sensory prayer. 4.00 pm Mass.
- Fri 16 **Our Lady of Mount Carmel:** Masses 7.30 am and 12 noon.

Sun 18 OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PILGRIMAGE & DAY CELEBRATING CARMELITE LIFE SPIRITUALITY
11.30 am Gathering Service; 2.00 pm Reflections on 'Listening to God'; 3.30 pm, Mass followed by procession. Renewal of Carmelite commitment during the day.

Sat 31 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.

AUGUST

- Sun 1 **CARIBBEAN PILGRIMAGE**
12 Noon Mass, 3.30 pm Rosary Procession & Benediction.
- Thur 5 - Sun 8 **VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE RALLY**
- Fri 6 **Hiroshima Remembrance Service** (Kent J & P): 8.20 pm.
- Sat 7 **All Night Vigil:** 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Sun 8 **Transfiguration of the Lord:** Masses 8.00 am and 10.15 am.
- Sun 15 **Assumption of Our Lady:** Masses 8.00 am and 10.15 am.
PILGRIMAGE OF THE SICK
with Society of Our Lady of Lourdes. 12 noon Mass with **Sacrament of the Sick.** 3.30 pm Procession & Benediction.
- Sat 21 **ST JOHN AMBULANCE KENT REUNION:** 3.30 pm Service.
- Sun 22 **CATHOLIC TAMIL PILGRIMAGE:** 11.00 am Gathering Liturgy, 12 noon Mass, 3.30 pm Procession & Benediction.
- Sun 29 **KERALA CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Mass, 2.30 pm Procession and Benediction.
- Mon 30 **Bank Holiday:** 12 noon Mass, **AT&P.**
GOAN PILGRIMAGE
10.30 am Rosary, 11.00 am Mass & Benediction.
Afternoon national picnic celebration and talks.

SEPTEMBER

- Fri 3 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Sat 4 **All Night Vigil:** 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Sun 5 **POLISH NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Angelus & Confessions,
2.00 pm Mass, 5.00 pm Rosary Procession & Benediction.
- Sat 11 **Celebrating Our Lady's Birthday,** 2.30 pm Mass, **AT&P.**
- Sat 18 **GRANDPARENTS' & FAMILIES' PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Mass. Family Prayer and entertainment.
Aylesford Carmelite Third Order: 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
- Sun 19 **POLISH SCOUTS & GUIDES PILGRIMAGE:**
11.30 am Rosary, 12 noon Mass,
2.00 pm Games & activities.
Signed Mass: 3.30 pm.
- Fri 24 **ARCHBISHOP'S DAY FOR RELIGIOUS**
10.00 am - 4.00 pm, Edith Stein Centre, North Barn.
- Sat 25 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.

OCTOBER

- Fri 1 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Sat 2 **All Night Vigil:** 10.00 pm - 6.00 am.
- Sun 3 **LITTLE FLOWER SOCIETY & UCM WESTMINSTER PILGRIMAGE**
12 noon Gathering Service; 2.45 pm Mass with
Most Rev. Fernando Millàn Romeral, O.Carm
(Prior General of the Carmelite Order).
- Sat 16 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order:** 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
Celebrating St Teresa of Avila, 2.30 pm Mass, **AT&P.**
- Sat 30 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.
- Sun 31 **All Saints :** Masses 8.00 am and 10.15 am.

NOVEMBER

- Tues 2 **All Souls:** Masses 7.30 am and 12 noon.
- Fri 5 **Carmel Prayer:** 8.00 pm.
- Sat 20 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order:** 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
- Sun 21 **Christ the King.** Masses 8.00, 10.15 am & 12 noon, **AT&P.**
Signed Mass: 3.30 pm.

Saturday 27 - Sunday 28 November

THE FRIARS CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Sat 27 **Sacrament of the Sick** during 12 noon Mass.

Saturday 27 November at 1.30 pm

NATIVITY PAGEANT

An engaging celebration of the Nativity Story from different perspectives. Parishes, young people and drama groups will take us into a reflective preparation for Christmas.

DECEMBER

- Fri 3 **Ecumenical Advent Service**, 8.00 pm.
- Sat 4 **Celebrating Immaculate Conception**: 2.30 pm Mass, **AT&P**.
- Sun 5 **LIGHT UP A LIFE** Heart of Kent Hospice
Candle light Procession and Carol Service, 4.30 pm
- Wed 8 **Immaculate Conception**. Masses 7.30 am and 12 noon.
- Fri 10 **Carols by Candlelight**: 7.15 pm.
- Sat 11 **Aylesford Carmelite Third Order**: 10.30 am Holy Hour,
12 noon Mass, 2.00 pm Prayer & Meeting.
- Sat 18 **Celebrating God's Forgiveness**, 2.00 - 4.00 pm.
- Fri 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE**
11.30 pm Carols followed by **Midnight Mass**
- Sat 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY**,
Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am.
- Sun 26 **Holy Family**, Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am

JANUARY

- Sat 1 **Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God**: Mass 12 noon.
- Sun 2 **Epiphany**: Masses 8.00 am & 10.15 am.

The Carmelite Family. We seek to follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ through prayer, community and service. With Our Lady and the Prophet Elijah as our models we work in a variety of ministries, pointing to the presence of God.

For information about **becoming a friar**, Email: vocations@carmelite.org

For information about **becoming a Lay Carmelite** write to *Lay Carmel Information Office, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BX.*

Pilgrimages and Tours. Why not organise a Day/Trip (weekends and weekdays) or Tour (weekdays only) to Aylesford for your group? Apply to: *The Shrine Secretary, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BX. Email: pilgrim@thefriars.org.uk*
When writing please give your phone number and enclose an s.a.e.

Guesthouse Accommodation available for individuals and small groups seeking peace and quiet. Apply to *Reception, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BX. Tel: 01622 717272. Email: guesthouse@thefriars.org.uk*

Conferences The Friars has a variety of conference rooms for groups large or small. For all enquires apply to *The Conference Office, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BX. Tel: 01622 717272. Email: conferences@thefriars.org.uk*

The Aylesford Centre - Counselling

Counselling, (Pastoral) Supervision and Spiritual Accompaniment available at The Friars. For appointments: *Tel: 07751 881319. or email: acspd@hotmail.co.uk*

Bookshop and Tearoom

Opening Hours: Mon-Sat 10.00 am - 5.00 pm (4.00 pm Winter) Sundays, 11.00 am - 5.00 pm (4.00 pm Winter) *Email: bookshop@thefriars.org.uk*

HOW TO REACH AYLESFORD IN KENT

Aylesford (The Friars) is just over 30 miles from London and is easily reached by road or train.

BRITISH RAIL: London (Victoria) to Maidstone East, then local bus route 155/156 (135 on Sundays) from the BR station to The Friars, Aylesford OR London (Charing Cross) to Aylesford (change at Strood), then 20 minute walk via Aylesford Village (turn left on leaving the station).

GREENLINE COACHES: London Victoria (or Lewisham and other pick-up points) to Maidstone Bus Station, then local bus route 155/156 (135 on Sundays) to The Friars.

TRAVEL INFORMATION:

British Rail 0345 484950,
Greenline Coaches 0870 6087261.

ROAD:

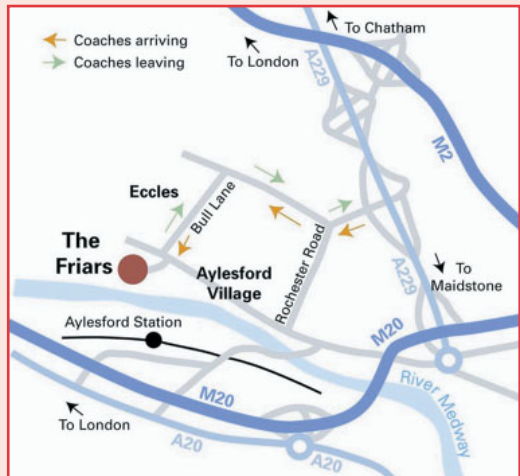
(1) **A2/M2:**

exit A229 for Maidstone (Junction 3) then follow signs for The Friars.

(2) **M20:**

exit A229 (Junction 6) then follow signs for The Friars.

COACHES: must approach and leave The Friars via ECCLES and NOT via Aylesford Village.



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