Diocese of East Anglia
World Youth Day Krakow 2016

Information Pack 2

This is the second information pack about World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow. **Please read the first information pack before reading this one**, available at www.rcdea/youth

This pack contains the following:

- **General Information Update**
- **Updated Itinerary**
- **Key Events for Young People in 2016**
- **Pilgrimage Walk Sponsorship Form**
- **Commitment to Payment Declaration**

World Youth Day 2016 Website:
http://www.krakow2016.com/en/

Diocesan Youth Service Website
http://www.rcdea.org/youth
Please note this is a new diocesan website and address
(and is still in development)

Contact Information

If you have any queries don't hesitate to contact Hamish

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General Information Update

Spaces
We still have a handful of places available, but are **closing booking at the end of January**. So if you have any friends and family thinking about coming, do tell them to sign up now!

Travel
We are flying (see itinerary for more details).

Visas
There is a procedure for those who need visas, which in most cases will not cost. I will be in touch with those who need visas within the next 6 weeks.

'Days in the Diocese'
For the days before WYD week, we are staying in a retreat centre in Zakopane. This is run by the La Salette order who serve some of our parishes in East Anglia.

Zakopane is a beautiful town in the south of Poland at the foot of the Tetras mountains. It is famous as a ski resort in the winter and for mountain hiking in the summer. It's ideally placed for visiting the town St. Pope John Paul was brought up in, and the concentration camp Auschvits – both of which we are looking into.

Views of Zakopane including the retreat centre we are staying in (top right)

Accommodation in Krakow
The hotel is really luxurious and we will be very comfortable. The only negative is many of the rooms have a double rather than two single beds, so many of you will have to share. Please can you email me by the end of January if there is someone you would like to share with. We will do our best to pair people up according to their preferences but can't guarantee it. Please note we are not allowed to have one person age over 18 and one person age under 18 in the same room (unless siblings) or rooms of mixed gender. Also if you have a genuine reason why you cannot share such as for health reasons, please email me by the end of January. If I do not hear from you, I will assume you don't mind who you share with.

Communications Officers
The Catholic Communications Network (CCN) are looking for a few people to act as communication officers from each diocese. This will involve sending back news, stories, pictures etc. from Poland to the UK. This is an amazing opportunity as you will receive training from professionals working in the media and a media pass in Krakow. This is particularly suited to anyone who is thinking of a career in the media. Please email me as soon as possible if you are interested and I'll put you in touch with CCN.

Cost and Commitment to Payment Declaration
The cost is £1165**,** which is slightly more than the initial estimate but at our last meeting people said they would be happy to pay a little more if it meant flying rather than coaching. Now we have confirmed this, we will ask to sign a 'Commitment to Payment' Declaration (at the back of this pack) by the end of January that basically says you agree to pay for the pilgrimage.

Payments
In addition to the £250 you should already have paid, please meet the following payment deadlines:

A minimum of a further £150 by January 31st (total £400)
A minimum of a further £400 by May 5th (total £800). This date is deliberately after the sponsored walk (see Key Events section for more information).
The balance of £365 by June 30th (total £1165)

Keeping us safe and well both physically and spiritually!
As part of the group, we are really blessed to have with us:

Dr. Angela Bennett, a GP from Cambridge (arriving Saturday 23rd July), who will be on hand if anyone becomes ill or in the unlikely event they are injured.

Rebecca Bretherton, who was previously a police officer but now works for the diocese as the Safeguarding Administrator. Rebecca will be working with me to ensure everything we do maintains the high standard of care we have for everyone, especially those under 18 years of age.

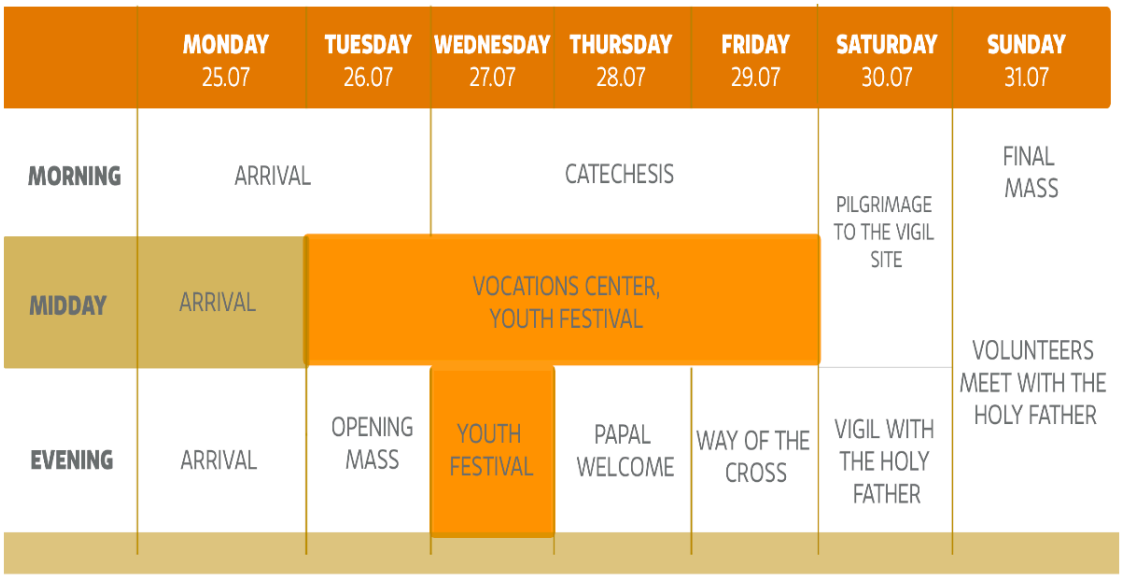
All the seminarians, Fr. Michael Collis (assistant priest at the Cathedral and Vocations Director), Fr. Henry Whisenant (assistant priest at King's Lynn), Fr Fr. Adam Sowa (La Salette priest from Poland and parish priest at St. Peter & All Souls, Peterborough), Michael Johnstone (retired, but has been to about 7 World youth Days!), and in the second week, Monsignor Eugène Harkness (parish priest of St. Philip Howard, Cambridge and Chancellor of the Diocese).

Bishop Alan and his secretary Fr. Padraig Hawkins will be coming out in the second week, and although they will not be staying with us, they will be with us as much as possible.

Itinerary (Dates now confirmed)

Wednesday 20th July

0530	Coach from assembly point of St. Phillip Howard Parish, Cambridge to Luton Airport
0835	Flight from Luton to Poprad Tatry (nearest airport to Zakopane)
Thursday 21st July - Sunday 24th July	Days in the Diocese Programme.
Monday 25th July	Coach from Zakopane to Krakow



Monday 1st August

Morning	Coaches from Krakow to Katovice Airport
16:10	Group 1: Flight from Katovice to Luton
17:40	Group 1: Arrive at Luton Airport and coach to Cambridge
20:00 (approx.)	Arrive at St. Phillip Howard Parish, Cambridge
21:55	Group 2: Flight from Katovice to Luton
23:25	Group 2: Arrive at Luton Airport Transport arranged back to convenient drop off point in the diocese.

We are on split flights coming back with the vast majority of people on the earlier flight but as this is a 'youth group ticket', we are limited on the number of people aged over 25 who can be on this flight. So the later one will be mainly people over 25. We will try and work out the fairest and most practical way to decide who is on which one. If anyone really can't be on the later flight (e.g. because you are working Tuesday morning), please let me know as soon as possible.

Key Events for Young People in 2016

April 9th & 10th

Celebrate Conference
A weekend for all ages

April 30th – May 2nd

Ignite Youth Festival
We expect you to come to this as part of our preparations for World Youth Day. It will be a really good time to get to know each other. During the weekend, we will have a WYD meeting, at which we will be joined by Fr. Christopher Jamison who is the National Co-ordinator for WYD. More information to follow.

May 2nd

Walk to Walsingham
This follows on from the festival and in itself will be a Pilgrimage, as we join with the rest of the diocese for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham. It will also be symbolic of the much greater pilgrimage we are undertaking when we travel to Poland.

The walk can be a major fundraiser and is also open to your parents and any other supporters of WYD who would like to help you raise money. Any money you raise is yours to go towards the cost of you going to WYD. In past years, some people have raised over £500 each, so it's worth doing! More information to follow but you can start collecting sponsorship now using the form at the back.

July 20th – August 1st

World Youth Day

August 1st - 6th

New Dawn Conference
A national family conference held in Walsingham

August 20th - 26th

Pilgrimage to Lourdes
Young People aged 17+

August 25th -29th

Youth 2000 Prayer Festival
A great follow up to World Youth Day!

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE WALK TO WALSINGHAM SPONSORSHIP FORM

On Bank holiday Monday May 2nd 2016, _____ *(Please insert name of walker)* is taking part in a sponsored walk to Walsingham.
Money raised will go towards the cost of going to WYD in Krakow, Poland.

Name of sponsor	**Contact details of sponsor**	**Amount per mile** (max 8)	**Total due**	**Amount paid**

WYD COMMITTMENT TO PAYMENT DECLARATION

Payments

Sorry that this is very formal, but we need to ensure everyone planning to go on WYD is committed to paying for it.

We need you to agree to pay the total of £1165 by June 30th.

Please note, you are responsible for the total cost, even if your parish is contributing to this or someone else in your parish / deanery is organising your payments. It would be in your intersts to clarify these arrangements in good time.

Cancelling

If you have to cancel your place (even if this is through circumstances beyond your control), you have until 31st January 2016 to receive a complete refund. After January 31st, the diocese will be making substantial non-refundable payments on your behalf and will be limited to how much can be refunded.

The Diocese reserves the right to not give any refund if it can be demostrated that doing so would jeopardise the group booking or the price we have achieved by booking as a large group.

All financial arrangements with tour operators, the WYD Office and anyone we are paying money to in connection with WYD will be fully transparent.

If the Diocese is unable to give a full or partial refund, you may also be able to gain a refund:

a) Through your own travel insurance

b) Someone taking your place and agreeing to commit to paying the full cost (including any administration fees we are charged for name changes).

If some of your payments, have been made as a result of fundraising activities, it would not be right to refund you personally. In this instance, an attempt will be made to contact those who have contributed and the appropriate portion of refund offered to them. If this is not possible, we will put the fundraised money towards other people in your parish or deanery going on WYD.

In the extremely unlikely event of the entire pilgrimage being cancelled by the Diocese, full refunds would be given. With fundraised money, we would attempt to contact those who have contributed and offer the refund to them. If this is not possible the money will be held in an account to subsidise future WYDs.

For any clarification, please contact the Diocesan Youth Office.

Declaration

I have read and agree to the above. I understand the Pilgrimage is as described in WYD Information Pack 2.

Signed _____Date_____

Name_____

Signature of parent or guardian if under 18 _____

You must return this form, (together with any payments needed to bring your total amount paid to £400), by January 31st. If you fail to do this, you may lose your place.

Please return to Word Youth Day, Diocesan Youth Office, 21 Upgate, Poringland, Norwich NR14 7SH