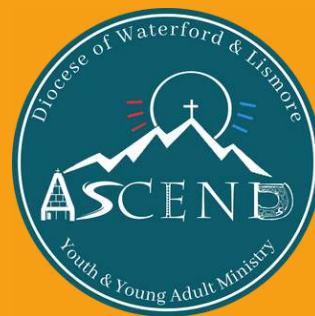




# "PILGRIMS OF HOPE" PARISH PROJECT



2025 is a Jubilee Year: We are called to be Pilgrims of Hope. Being a pilgrim is different to being a tourist. Tourists arrive at a destination to capture memories; pilgrims go on journey to change, or out of a desire for change.

## PROJECT:

THINK OF YOUR PARISH AS A PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE  
AND ADDRESSING THE TOPICS OVERLEAF,  
PRODUCE A PROJECT TO SHOW YOUR FINDINGS.



### **Your guiding question is:**

*"If I was a pilgrim journeying to my parish, what could I see, what could I do, what could I participate in? How can my faith be impacted by my parish?"*



## FORMAT CHOICES:



TYPED ESSAY  
(Minimum 1200 words)



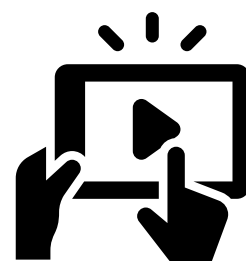
Recording of 3 - 4 minutes (must be clearly audible).



Brochure (with images): 4 x A4 pages (images etc can be glued on if necessary)



A2 size poster (images etc can be glued on if necessary)



2 - 4 minutes in length.

## PLEASE NOTE:

- Safeguarding and GDPR:
  - Please ask permission of parish priest to take photos and videos in the parish for this project.
  - You must have written consent from people if taking / using photos / audio interview extracts / video footage of them. If the subject is U18 you must have joint written consent both from them and their parent / guardian. Please follow school / parish safeguarding procedures for this.
- When arranging to interview parish priest / sacristan it is best to do this in groups / pairs to avoid them having to repeat the interviews!
- You may wish to share your project with or display your project in your local parish - consult your parish priest about this first. It is advisable to show the project first to him.

# THEMES / TOPICS TO LOOK AT IN YOUR PROJECT:

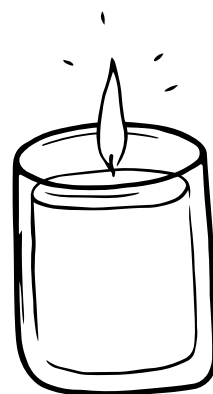
## MY LOCAL CHURCH:

- Name of your local Church
- When was it built?
- What statues are there?
- Is there stained glass? What is represented?
- Is there a grotto (indoors or outdoors)?
- Are there particular shrines?
- Is there a Holy Well in your area?
- Are there special Catholic feast days particular to your parish?
- Does your parish have a choir and or / cantor?
- What possibility is there for youth involvement?
- Are there family Masses or children's liturgies?
- Are there Graveyard Masses?
- Are there special feast days?



## WHAT TO DO IN MY PARISH AS A PILGRIM:

- Mass times
- Confession times
- Lighting candles
- Rosary devotions?
- Prayer groups?
- Adoration?



## LITURGICAL DISPLAYS

- Advent / Christmas / Lent / Easter / November Remembrance

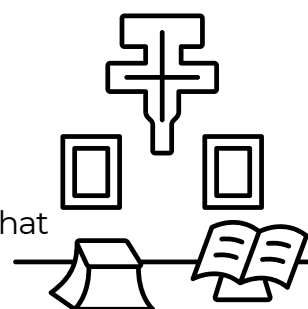
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- Is there something in our parish that has impacted you in a positive way?
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Parish Priest's Name:

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