**Come join in the Jubilee Year ‘National Pilgrimage of Hope’**

There is a wonderful re-awareness of the blessings to be had in walking pilgrimages. It involves individuals & groups walking ancient pathways from one Holy site to another through beautiful countryside.

The September ‘Pilgrimage of Hope’ is a nationally organized, walking pilgrimage for England & Wales with four main ‘Ways’, (routes crossing the country -North, South, West & East) all converging at the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, on Saturday 13th September 2025. Each of the four main ways is split into stages.

Details of The St Mark’s Way, the Northern route (from Leeds to Nottingham & passing through Sheffield & the Hope Valley in the Peak ), can be found at  https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/new-st-mark-s-way-north

Pilgrims can register for day stages via the website, including **the Sheffield to Padley stage on TUESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER. This stage is 10 miles, starting at St Marie’s Cathedral in the City Centre, Norfolk Row** (opposite Marmadukes) **. Some pilgrims will gather for optional Mass & blessings at 8am in the Catholic Cathedral, and all are welcome to this, with time afterwards for a breakfast before the walk starts at 9am. The estimated arrival time at Padley Chapel Shrine** (near Grindleford Cafe & station) **will be around 3pm. There will be chance to rest & take refreshments & visit the 14th Century Chapel Shrine & receive a pilgrim stamp.**

Some of the parishioners at English Martyrs parish, Totley (opposite the Co-op) hope either to be walking this stage of the pilgrimage or supporting pilgrims at St Marie’s or Padley.

If you would like a local contact (after checking out the national Pilgrim Ways -Hearts in Search of God- website – with fuller details) then simply email **English Martyrs parishioner** Anne-Marie at amfletcher2800@gmail.com

[ **Mass is held every Saturday evening at English Martyrs Chapel at 5pm** to which all are welcome, & especially those who have never experienced a Catholic Mass before. We love first time visitors!]