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EVENTS FOR 2019

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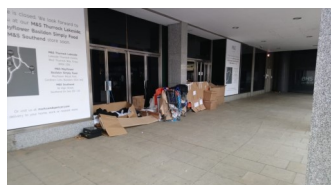
Lenten Retreat 2019

9th - 11th April 2019, Walsingham House at Abbotswick

A midweek retreat, timed for school holidays. This is a chance to reflect deeply on the meaning of Lent in the beautiful surroundings of Abbotswick, led by the Walsingham House Team. The retreat is open to those in years 10-13. £35.

Sponsored Sleepout

12th - 13th April 2019, Walsingham House at Abbotswick

Join us for our sponsored sleepout, where you'll be sleeping outside overnight in the grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick. No tents allowed, whatever the weather! Money raised will be split between local homeless charities and helping young people in our Diocese.

Easter Lourdes 2019

14th - 21st April 2019, Lourdes

Every Easter over 1,000 children with additional needs travel to Lourdes with HCPT to enjoy a life changing pilgrimage holiday, thanks to our young adult volunteers. If you would like to know more, please email group709@hcpt.org.uk.

BCYS Charity Football Match 13th July, Robert Clack Leisure Centre, Dagenham

Last year young people (16-18s) beat the leaders (18-27) by a hefty 6-2. Will 2019 be the year the leaders regain their pride? If you are 16-27 and want to play, sign up now. All proceeds will to towards supporting bursaries for BCYS events. For more information, visit our website.

An Evening with Matt Maher 31st May 2019, Southwark Cathedral

Flying in from the USA, Matt Maher leads an evening of Prayer, Worship and Adoration. He is an eight-time GRAMMY nominee, international Christian artist, songwriter and worship leader. Open those aged 16+, tickets are available on our website for £10 each! Meet in London.

Summer Lourdes 2019 20th - 27th July 2019, Lourdes

Join our hugely popular Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage. We assist the elderly and infirm on the annual Diocesan pilgrimage. This event is open to those in years 10 and above. The trip is now full for 2019; applicants will be added to a waiting list and notified if a place becomes available.

Youth Gather

26th - 27th October 2019, Essex Outdoors, East Mersea

Back on Mersea Island, we'll combine climbing high ropes, abseiling, zip wires and more, with speakers and workshops to give you fresh insights into yourself and your faith. This is open to those in year 9 and above, applications will open at the end of July.

Monthly Youth Mass

8pm, First Wednesday of the Month, Brentwood Cathedral

A Mass where you can celebrate alongside other young Catholics, as well as catching up with friends you have met at previous events! This Mass also gives peace and space to pray and reflect in busy lives - a great antidote to exam stress. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments after Mass!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH siLENT

Could you join individuals, schools, parishes and communities who are taking time to give up the things that fill their life with noise and restlessness?

By staying siLENT they are standing in solidarity with young people who don't have a voice, for whom silence isn't a choice.

Each minute is sponsored to raise money for young people to change their lives and their local communities.

Visit www.millionminutes.org/silent for more information on how **you** can get involved!

CALLING ALL CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISTS...

Are you currently working as or thinking about being involved in your parish as a First Holy Communion or Confirmation Catechist, or look after the children's liturgy?

We would like to invite you to join us for a training day on 9th November 2019, at Sacred Heart of Mary School, Upminster, where you will have the chance to hear about fresh resources, as well as receiving input to assist you in your programmes.

We would particularly like to welcome any young catechists or young people in your parish (16+) who may be interested in working as or with catechists, and wish to develop their faith further post-confirmation.

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