# Aylesford Friars Pilgrimage 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (subject to change)

### **About Aylesford Friars**

In the Archdiocese of Southwark and also known simply as "The Friars", Aylesford Priory in Kent is one of the ancient houses of the Carmelite Order, and a major place of pilgrimage.

The Priory has been there since 1242 when a group of hermits were given land to establish a community by a crusader returning from the Holy Land. The hermits decided to adopt a mendicant friar's lifestyle, serving Church and society and the priory in time was revered as a spiritual epicentre, nicknamed "the second Carmel". After approximately 400 years in private ownership, the Carmelite order bought the site back in 1949. The site is dedicated to Our Lady of the Assumption and various chapels are dedicated to Carmel saints.



### **OPEN TO ALL**

The cost for the weekend is £180 per person including accommodation, meals and our own chaplain. Travel arrangements to the venue will be advised once we have a better idea of numbers attending. Public transport and hired coach options will both be considered for which you should initially allow in the region of £30 (but group travel on public transport can make this a bit cheaper.) However, car-sharing will also be encouraged of any drivers who can offer lifts and this would reduce travel costs further.

Attendees should aim to be at Aylesford Friars no later than 5.30pm. SATNAV postcode is ME20 7BX

A more detailed timetable will be issued in due course, though we anticipate including participation in community liturgies, individual and group prayer time, and social time along with other possible additions. We are delighted to have Fr Peter as our chaplain.

### **DEPOSIT**

A £40 non-refundable deposit will be required as soon as possible so that we can get an idea of numbers.

### **BALANCE**

We will require a minimum further £45 by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March and any remainder up to £95 by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 and all monies should be paid to London Quest. Details overleaf.



## **BOOKING FORM**

Juest 002C Contact Ruby or Ricky events@questlgbti.uk with queries Name: Email address:

Phone number:

Postal address:

Emergency contact details:

### **Travel:**

While we would normally encourage those with a vehicle to offer lifts if mutually convenient, under the current guidelines, you should avoid travel in close proximity with people who don't currently share your household or support bubble. If however you are happy to offer or accept a lift please let us know and commit to observe all relevant guidance in order to minimise transmission risks.

If using public transport, please observe all current guidelines and requirements. Group travel is possible which could save you money (we recommend allowing around £30) but you will need to research options and plan carefully to minimise the risk as much as possible.

Please state any requirements regarding mobility, dietary arrangements, medical issues.

Please return this Booking Form either electronically (filled in/scanned) to <u>london@questlgbti.uk</u> or by post to:

Aylesford Friars Booking, Quest, BM Box 2585, London WC1N 3XX

DEPOSIT PAYMENT: £40 payable immediately

### **Balance Payments:**

Interim payment of £45 payable by 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Final payment of £95 payable by 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021

#### NOTE:

Please contact us if you would be interested in upgrading to an ensuite room, subject to availability. These are priced at an extra £15.50 per night per room.

Shared occupancy rooms are available but may only be taken up by people who live in the same household. These would offer a £20 reduction per person.

We can then ensure you are given the correct instalment amounts payable so we can keep track of payments.

By bank transfer: (Important: please indicate 'AYLES' + your name in the reference)

London Quest Sort code 12-11-03 Account number 00724131

### By cheque:

Payable to 'London Quest'

Send to: Aylesford Friars Booking, Quest, BM Box 2585, London WC1N 3XX

By signing and submitting this form I am accepting the conditions set out above regarding payment and confirm any details given are true and current. I will inform the Organiser of any changes.

Signed	Date
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