

# ST ANN'S

JUBILEE CHURCH, KINGSTON HILL - KT2 7LX

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## PILGRIMS GUIDE

12 JANUARY 2025 - 06 JANUARY 2026



## PILGRIMS MASS & ADORATION

Tuesdays

6.15 pm - Adoration, 7.00 pm - Pilgrims Mass

Saturdays

11.15 am - Adoration, 12 noon - Pilgrims Mass

## PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we begin this sacred journey of faith during the Jubilee Year 2025, I warmly welcome you to St Ann's Catholic church, Kingston Hill. It is a profound blessing for our parish to be designated as one of the official pilgrimage centres in the Archdiocese of Southwark by Archbishop John Wilson. This honour reflects the spiritual significance of our church, dedicated to St Ann, the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is **a beacon of hope for families, expectant mothers, and future generations.**

The theme for this Jubilee Year, "Pilgrims of Hope", invites us to embark on a journey of renewal, reconciliation, and spiritual growth. Pilgrimage is a time to step away from the ordinary life, and seek a closer encounter with God. At St Ann's, we offer pilgrims opportunities for prayer, reflection, and fellowship **through Rosary Walks, Adoration, Pilgrim Masses, and talks exploring nature, creation, and spirituality.**

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has worked tirelessly to prepare for this special year. Your dedication has created an environment where all pilgrims can experience hope, renewal, and God's boundless mercy.

I invite each of you to participate fully in this Jubilee by joining us in prayer and spiritual activities. May this year strengthen us as a community and bring abundant blessings to all.



With blessings and prayers,

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### PRAYER FOR GRANDCHILDREN



Dear Saint Ann,

Loving grandmother, I entrust my grandchildren to your tender care. In the face of life's challenges and dangers, which may often go unnoticed by them, I ask for your protection. Just as you cared for the child Jesus, watch over my grandchildren and guide them along the path of faith. Help them embrace prayer, Christian values, and the love of God. Keep them safe from all harm and lead them to true happiness. Together with Saint Joachim, you nurtured Mary and Jesus in God's love; now, I implore you to watch over my grandchildren. Keep all grandparents and their grandchildren under your compassionate care. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR FAMILY

Dear Saint Ann,

Grandmother of Jesus and mother of Mary, we place our family under your loving care. Instill within us the virtues you taught Mary, preparing her to be the Mother of God. With Saint Joachim, you were a model for Christian parents; help us to follow your example in our daily lives. May our family be a reflection of the peace, joy, and holiness that reveal God's presence among us. Guide us to live as a family united in God's Kingdom on Earth, so we may one day share eternal life together in His heavenly Kingdom. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR FERTILITY AND MOTHERHOOD



Dear Saint Ann,

Grandmother of Jesus and patroness of hopeful parents, I come to you with faith and hope in my heart. Please intercede for me, that I may be blessed with the gift of fertility and the joy of motherhood. Help me to trust in God's plan and remain steadfast in prayer, embracing His timing with patience and peace. Grant me strength as I await this blessing, and fill my heart with hope. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR A SAFE CHILDBIRTH

Dear Saint Ann,

Many have prayed to you for a safe childbirth and found joy in their children. I seek your loving protection now, trusting in your care as I carry this precious life. Grant me a trouble-free childbirth and keep both of us in good health. Bless our family during this time. Like many mothers before me, I place my faith in you, rejecting the fears and temptations of this world. Please grant special protection to this little child, consecrating us to the Lord and your daughter Mary. Amen.

## EXTRACT FROM DECREE BY ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON



SPES NON CONFUNDIT. "**Hope does not disappoint**" (Rom 5:5). In the spirit of hope, the Apostle Paul addressed these words of encouragement to the Christian community of Rome. Hope is also the central message of the coming Jubilee that, in accordance with an ancient tradition, the Pope proclaims every twenty-five years. In the Bull announcing the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, at a moment in history in which "heedless of the horrors of the past, humanity is confronting yet another ordeal, as many peoples are prey to brutality and violence" (Spes non confundit, 8), the Holy Father calls on all Christians to become pilgrims of hope. This is a virtue which must be sourced above all in the grace of God and in the fullness of His mercy. It is to be rediscovered in the signs of the times, which, encompassing "the yearning of human hearts in need of God's saving presence, ought to become signs of hope" (Spes non confundit, 7).

**In order for the faithful to obtain the Jubilee Year Indulgence, I hereby decree that The Church of St. Ann, KINGSTON HILL is designated as a Jubilee Church in this Archdiocese of Southwark for the duration of the Jubilee Year - 24th December 2024 to 6th January 2026.**

The Indulgence may be obtained by the faithful, who are truly repentant and free from any affection for sin (cf. Enchiridion Indulgentiarum, IV ed., norm. 20, § 1), who are moved by a spirit of charity and who, during the Holy Year, purified through the sacrament of penance and refreshed by Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff, will be able to obtain from the treasury of the Church a plenary indulgence, with remission and forgiveness of all their sins, which can be applied in suffrage to the souls in Purgatory in the following ways ... on obtaining the Jubilee Year Indulgence be made available to the faithful

Given at Southwark **this 19th day of December 2024**



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**Archbishop of Southwark**

Rev Michael Kennedy  
**Chancellor**





## Detailed Explanation of the Jubilee Year

### Introduction to the Jubilee Year

The Jubilee Year is a special time of grace, renewal, and reconciliation in the Catholic Church. Traditionally celebrated every 25 years, it offers the faithful an opportunity to grow spiritually, deepen their faith, and experience God's mercy in a profound way.

The concept of the Jubilee Year has its roots in the Old Testament. In the Book of Leviticus (25:8-13), God commanded the Israelites to celebrate a Jubilee every 50 years, a time when debts were forgiven, slaves were freed, and land was returned to its original owners. This biblical tradition emphasised liberation, restoration, and rest.

The Catholic Church adopted this practice, with the first Christian Jubilee declared by Pope Boniface VIII in the year 1300. Since then, ordinary Jubilees have been celebrated every 25 years, while extraordinary Jubilees are declared for special occasions, such as the Year of Mercy in 2015.

### Purpose of the Jubilee Year

The Jubilee Year is a sacred time to:

- Renew one's relationship with God through prayer, pilgrimage, and acts of mercy.
- Experience God's mercy by seeking forgiveness and extending it to others.
- Grow in hope by trusting in God's promises, even in difficult times.
- Strengthen community bonds by participating in communal worship and activities.

# Theme & Logo of the Jubilee Year 2025

## Theme of the Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis has declared the theme for the Jubilee Year 2025 as “Pilgrims of Hope”, inspired by the words of St Paul in his letter to the Romans: “Hope does not disappoint” (Romans 5:5). This theme calls on all Catholics to embark on a spiritual journey, trusting in God’s mercy and love.

Hope is a central virtue in Christian life. It sustains us during trials, helps us remain faithful to God’s promises, and inspires us to work for a better world. The Jubilee invites us to become pilgrims, both physically and spiritually, journeying towards a deeper relationship with Christ.



## The Jubilee Logo

The Jubilee Year 2025 logo symbolises the theme “Pilgrims of Hope”. It depicts **four stylized figures representing humanity** coming together in solidarity and fraternity. The lead figure holds onto the Cross, symbolising faith and hope, even amidst life’s challenges.



The **rough waves beneath them** represent life’s turbulent journey, while **the anchor-shaped base of the Cross** symbolises stability during storms, echoing the maritime symbol of the “anchor of hope.” The dynamic positioning of the Cross, bending towards humanity, reminds us that Christ offers His constant presence and support. At the bottom, the motto “Pilgrims in Hope” in green reflects hope, creation, and renewal, inviting us to journey together in faith and unity.



# Hymn for the 2025 Jubilee

## Pilgrims of Hope

**Like a flame my hope is burning,  
may my song arise to you:  
Source of life that has no ending,  
on life's path I trust in you.**

Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people  
find a light within your Word.  
Scattered fragile sons and daughters  
find a home in your dear Son.

**Like a flame my hope is burning,  
may my song arise to you:  
Source of life that has no ending,  
on life's path I trust in you.**

God, so tender and so patient,  
dawn of hope, you care for all.  
Heav'n and earth are recreated  
by the Spirit of Life set free.

**Like a flame my hope is burning,  
may my song arise to you:  
Source of life that has no ending,  
on life's path I trust in you.**

Raise your eyes, the wind is blowing,  
for our God is born in time.  
Son made man for you and many  
who will find the way in him.

**Like a flame my hope is burning,  
may my song arise to you:  
Source of life that has no ending,  
on life's path I trust in you.**



## Key Elements of the Jubilee Year

**Pilgrimage:** Pilgrimage is a significant aspect of the Jubilee Year. It symbolises a journey of faith, where the pilgrim leaves behind their ordinary life to seek a closer encounter with God. During the Jubilee Year, special pilgrimage sites are designated, including St Ann's Catholic church, Kingston Hill, which has been recognised as a sacred place. By visiting these sites, participating in sacred activities, pilgrims can gain spiritual benefits.

**St Ann's holds deep spiritual significance, with St Ann, the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as its patron. She stands as a beacon of hope for families, expectant mothers, and future generations.** Our proximity to Richmond Park offers pilgrims a unique opportunity for reflection amidst nature, aligning perfectly with Pope Francis' emphasis on care for creation.

**Plenary Indulgence:** A central feature of the Jubilee Year is the opportunity to receive a Plenary (full) Indulgence, which is the complete remission of temporal punishment due to sin. Although the guilt of sin is forgiven through Baptism and Confession, its temporal consequences remain, necessitating purification either in this life or in Purgatory. Through God's mercy and the Communion of Saints, the Church, drawing on its treasury of spiritual goods - Christ's merits and the prayers of the saints - dispenses indulgences. To gain a Plenary Indulgence, the faithful must meet four conditions: sacramental confession, Holy Communion, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, and complete detachment from all sin, even venial sin. This gift strengthens our spiritual journey, calling us to seek holiness, reconciliation, and deeper union with God and His Church.

### **Summary of conditions for receiving a Plenary Indulgence**

- Be free from all attachment to sin.
- Sacramentally confess one's sins.
- Receive Holy Communion.
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- Perform a sacred act, such as passing through the Holy Door, attending Mass, or participating in Eucharistic Adoration.



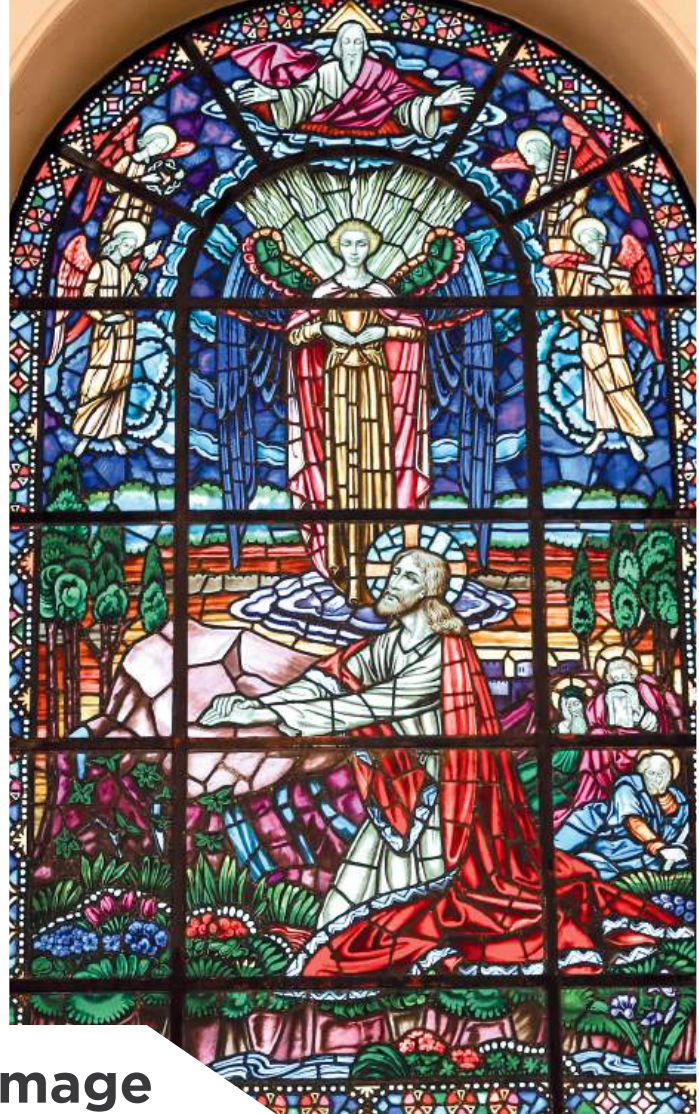
## SPECIAL FOCUS OF JUBILEE YEAR 2025

**Spiritual Renewal:** The faithful are encouraged to grow in prayer, deepen their understanding of the faith, and participate in the sacraments regularly.

**Reconciliation:** Emphasis will be placed on the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) as a means of experiencing God's mercy and healing broken relationships.

**Care for Creation:** In line with Pope Francis' encyclical **Laudato Si'**, the Jubilee Year calls for greater stewardship of the environment. Pilgrims are invited to reflect on their responsibility to care for God's creation and take concrete actions to protect it.





**Pilgrimage  
to St Ann's**



## St Ann's Activities for Pilgrims

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>Every Saturday</b>	Adoration	<b>11:15 AM</b>
	Pilgrims Mass	<b>12:00 PM</b>
<b>First &amp; Third Saturdays (April to October 2025) Rosary Walk included</b>	<b>Walk to Richmond Park</b>	<b>9:45 AM</b>
	Refreshments at St Ann's	<b>10:45 AM</b>
	Adoration & Novena to St Ann	<b>11:15 AM</b>
	Pilgrims Mass	<b>12:00 PM</b>
<b>Fourth Saturday Talks</b>	Special Talks at St Ann's Hall	<b>9:45 AM</b>
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<b>27th April 2025 at 9.45 am</b>	Walking in Hope: A Pilgrimage Through Nature	
<b>25th June 2025 at 9.45 am</b>	Breathing with Creation: Holistic Health Through Nature	
<b>22nd August 2025 at 9.45 am</b>	St Francis of Assisi: Care for Creation	
<b>26th October 2025 at 9.45 am</b>	Finding God in Silence: Teachings of the Desert Fathers	

# St Ann's Pilgrimage

## Opportunities for Plenary Indulgence

Pilgrims who fulfil the necessary conditions can receive a Plenary Indulgence by participating in designated activities at St Ann's.

## Commitment to Hospitality

St Ann's parish is fully prepared to welcome pilgrims and meet the requirements of a pilgrim church. We are committed to providing a meaningful and hospitable experience for all visitors. Our facilities, proximity to nature, and spiritual programme make us an ideal destination for those seeking hope and renewal.

## How to Participate

### • For Individuals

- Attend pilgrim events regularly.
- Participate in Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Practice acts of mercy in daily life.

### • For Families

- Engage in family pilgrimages.
- Encourage children to participate in special activities.

## Invitation to Reflect

The Jubilee Year is an invitation to reflect on:

- Your personal spiritual journey: How can you grow closer to God?
- Your relationship with others: How can you bring hope to those around you?
- Your role in caring for creation: What actions can you take to protect the environment?

As Pope Francis reminds us, **“Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives.”**



## Vision for St Ann's in the Jubilee Year

As part of our long-term vision for St Ann's Catholic church, we are planning to enhance the spiritual and physical environment of our parish with the following projects:

**Our Lady's Grotto:** A beautifully crafted grotto with 203 stones contributed by parishioners and pilgrims from around the world, representing unity and devotion.

**Rose Garden with St Francis of Assisi:** A serene garden dedicated to St Francis, symbolising our commitment to nature and creation.

**Way of the Cross Garden:** A peaceful outdoor space where pilgrims can meditate on the Stations of the Cross.

**Altar Background Renovation:** An elegant new altar background to enhance the sacredness of the sanctuary.

These projects aim to create a more prayerful, welcoming, and inspiring environment for all who visit St Ann's.

**Closing Message:** We warmly invite you to join us at St Ann's throughout the Jubilee Year. Whether **through prayer, pilgrimage, or acts of mercy, let us journey together as Pilgrims of Hope, trusting in God's promises and sharing His love with the world.**

### JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen



**ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
ST ANN'S HOUSE, KINGSTON HILL  
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**MASS TIMING**

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10 am

**Saturday 12 noon - Pilgrims Mass**

Tuesday 7.00 pm Pilgrims Mass

**Saturday 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)**

**Sunday 10.30 am (Family Mass)**

**Thursday - No Mass**

**ADORATION**

**Tuesday 6.15 pm** - Pilgrims

Friday 9.30 am

**Saturday 11.15 am** - Pilgrims

**CONFESSION**

Saturday morning during adoration

Other days at the request



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