



St Augustine to Christ the Corner Stone (Milton Keynes) Share the Journey walk

Welcome to our July 2018 eBulletin

Dear Supporter,

Thank you to all who organised and participated in one or more [Share the Journey](#) walks. You've put your faith into action in a powerful way. Read about some of these fantastic walks on our [blog](#).

I am also delighted to **welcome** 12 new volunteers from St Joseph and St Clare in Aylesbury and 4 from Christ the King in Bedford. A **big thank you** to all of you for your generosity of spirit.

I am very happy to share with you this [beautiful new two minute reflection](#), created in praise of the Virgin Mary, as protector of the poor and Queen of all creation.

CAFOD is now offering Masterclasses to young adults aged 18-30 who want to develop their print or digital communications, campaigning or fundraising skills. The next one is on September 13 in London. You can [find the details here](#), if you're interested or know anyone who would be.

We are sending a letter to your Parish Priest in the second week of July, letting him know about CAFOD resources for use in parish life, especially for Adoremus, the Eucharistic Congress (see more below), including a [prayer for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament](#). We will also send a copy of that letter to all parish volunteers.

Finally, some more good news: 30,000 of us signed our *Power to be* petition, calling on the World Bank to ensure renewable energy access for the world's poorest people. Melanie Robinson, the UK's representative at the World Bank, has [responded, with a direct mention of CAFOD](#).

With every blessing

Deborah

Deborah Purfield
Community Participation Coordinator – Northampton

We've walked around the world for refugees and migrants!



Good news! We have reached our goal of walking 24,900 miles for the Share the Journey campaign! The overwhelming support we've received from supporters all over the country means that we are able to continue our walk around the world - a second time!

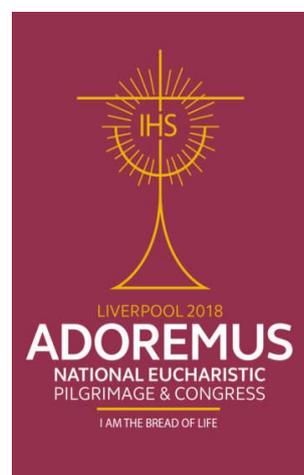
We will share this amazing feat with our government to send a powerful message that they too need to step up and protect the rights of refugees and migrants.

But the journey isn't over. Your walk will still play a vital part. Could you help us make it a second time around the world? [Organise or take part in a Share the Journey walk](#)

Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool, 7/8 Sept: Adoremus

CAFOD is providing a team of 12 volunteers at the [National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress](#) in Liverpool. Volunteers are needed from 9am to 3pm on Friday and Saturday to act as welcomers to the delegates.

If you would like to be at the centre of the largest Church event in England and Wales for more than a century, please email Bridget on bfenwick@cafod.org.uk. We also need volunteers to help on Saturday, 10.30am-6pm. Travel expenses will be paid and basic accommodation found for those coming from some distance.



Inspired by the Congress, we have created [a series of workshops](#) to explore the links between the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass and the call for us, as Christians, to live out love, compassion and justice in our everyday lives. If you are unable to attend the Congress itself, these workshops are a great way to get your parish, community or group involved.

Global Healing - how our faith can help us care for our common home



This is a new resource for parishes, groups, schools and individuals helping us to engage practically with Pope Francis' passionate challenge for us to shape the future of our planet. It is a free film featuring well known experts, testimonies and beautiful UK locations with full web support produced by CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) and commissioned by the Bishops of England & Wales.

The film can either be shown in a single evening with a shared sustainable supper or over several sessions that could form a short Advent course. Launch date is Creation Day 2018 (September 1st). [Watch the trailer here.](#)

Finding a new Director for CAFOD

Bishop John Arnold, Chair of CAFOD's Board of Trustees, has issued a statement for CAFOD staff and volunteers:

'As most of you will know, we the Trustees have begun the process of finding a new director for CAFOD, following Chris Bain's decision to retire at the end of this year. We intend to seek applications over the summer period, with a shortlist being drawn up in September. We then hope to be in a position to make an appointment by early autumn. The job description and supporting information pack will be available on CAFOD's website during July 2018.'



We ask that you keep CAFOD in your prayers as we undertake such an important recruitment process.

Dates for your diary

Share the Journey walks – Everyone welcome to join in so do get in touch northampton@cafod.org.uk for more details.

- Luton Pastoral area – **7 July**
- St Martin de Porres, Luton – **8 July**
- St Augustine, Daventry – **15 July**
- Sacred Heart, **Leighton Buzzard & Flitwick** – **21 July**
- St Aidan, Little Chalfont – **19 August**

Campaign retreat – Thornton College

Please keep 10 November 2018 free as we will be holding our wonderful campaign retreat in the beautiful grounds of Thornton College (Milton Keynes). More information to follow.

Dear Lord,

Gift us the strength to be persistent every day with our goal for peace and justice in the world. Please remind others who don't share this goal that they too have the power to make a difference and help achieve peace.

Amen

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