

Sharing the Journey



A monthly newsletter from the Journeying team

September 2021

Dear Friends

Welcome to the September edition of Sharing the Journey!



Journeying Poetry Competition 2021

Poems inspired by a pilgrim-journey to one or other of the Christian pilgrimage sites of Britain and Ireland, or by a longing to undertake that journey, are invited for the first *Journeying Poetry Competition*.

Poems should be original and unpublished and reach us by midnight on Saturday October 23rd 2021 (GMT). Please follow the link for full competition details: <https://www.journeying.co.uk/blog?aid=27242>

The winner will receive a *first* competition certificate signed by the Judges and ten percent discount on any one of next year's pilgrim-holidays from Journeying. The winning poem will be published on the Journeying website.

THE JUDGES



Recently retired from teaching after 30 years and now working in Dorset as Organist and Choir Director at a rural village church.
David's book of poetry 'Divine Loves' was Published in 2019.



Writer of Celtic Blessings and a Director of Journeying.



North Wales Odyssey

20th – 26th September

For last-minute availability, contact leader, Rosemary: +44 (0)1624 843 262

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Where are we? Last month's winner

August's *Where are we* competition winner was *Michael Ellison*, and brilliantly quick too – within 5 minutes of receiving the newsletter!

Location: Llanddwyn Island, off the coast of Anglesey, North Wales.

This is the last *Where are we* competition for a while. Look out for a new series in 2022.



ARE YOU INSPIRED BY THE OUTDOORS

Journey leadership with Journeying...



Some of the team at our annual gathering, circa 2018.

Journeying is non-profit-seeking. Leaders both guide the organisation and lead holidays. All are volunteers and come from a wide range of Christian traditions and walks of life.

We are always pleased to hear from people interested in discovering more about leadership with Journeying. If this is something that appeals to you, do drop us an email at: info@journeying.co.uk



The Mendip Hills of Somerset, Day Walk

Saturday 18th September

Gather 11 a.m. return 4 p.m.

A circular walk of just under 6 miles.

We will be walking to Crook Peak via Wavering Down, returning along the River Yeo to King's Wood, taking in villages, fields and woods and climbing some rocky peaks. There are fantastic 360-degree views from the Mendip Hills to the rolling hills of Somerset and the shimmering Bristol Channel, and on a clear day to North Devon and South Wales. There are a couple of steep climbs but we can take our time and the views will be worth the effort!



Day walks are always free. Please bring a packed lunch.

For details and to book your place: <https://www.journeying.co.uk/day-walks2?id=895265>



Holy Island 2022

Next years pilgrim-holiday programme is gradually falling into place. In May we head off to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, staying at *Marygate House*.

'Marygate provides a still space for people to listen and to talk to each other and to God. It is a place to find peace, encounter creation and holiness, in nature and through everyday life'

<https://marygatehouse.org.uk/home.html>

The full 2022 *Journeying* holiday programme will be available next month!



St Ninian



ST NINIAN (360 - 432) built the first Christian Church in Scotland, 'Candida Casa' or 'shining white house.' Greatly influenced by St Martin of Tours, it's possible Candida Casa was modelled on Martin's monastery.

A small sea cave a few miles from the Church, provided Ninian with a place of solitude and retreat.

Photos: *St Ninian's cave, Whithorn, Scotland.*



Christian Pilgrimage Network

As an organisation *Journeying* links to the *Christian Pilgrimage Network*.

To discover more about the Network, visit the website of the *Centre for Christian Pilgrimage*:

<https://christian-pilgrimage.org.uk/about/>



COP26. UN climate talks in Glasgow (1-12 November 2021)

Climate change impacts on all of us. It can seem overwhelming; 'what can I do on my own!?' But every pebble in the pond creates a ripple...

'We call on everyone, whatever their belief or worldview, to endeavour to listen to the cry of the earth and of people who are poor, examining their behaviour and pledging meaningful sacrifices for the sake of the earth which God has given us.'

- Pope Francis, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and the Archbishop of Canterbury (1st September 2021)



Hands across the water

Journeying pilgrims are currently in Ireland for six wonderful days exploring the Ancient East; St. Declan's Way, the Mahon Falls in the heart of the Comeragh Mountains, Glendalough...

Postponed from 2020 the 'Irish Camino Experience' marks the first pilgrim-holiday with our partners in South East Ireland, *Waterford Camino Tours*.



Friday Gathering

As always, hope you can be with us... Friday at 10 p.m. (UK time) A time to pause and prayerfully hold in our thoughts all those connected with *Journeying*. We have no particular format and there's no linking over the airwaves.



Blessings on the Way,
The *Journeying* Team.

You are welcome to share this Newsletter with anyone you think might be interested.

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