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Day Pilgrimage

**- Our Lady of Willesden, London -**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

We have arranged a day pilgrimage on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May to Willesden, London.**

We shall begin at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, with a celebration of Mass, followed by a talk on the history of the Shrine and devotions, led by Father Stephen Willis, the Rector.

Next, we shall take a short walk to Harlesden Methodist Church, where we will be welcome by the Revd Leao Neto, the distinguished Methodist scholar who is the minister and who was formerly stationed in Rome. He will tell us something of Rome and Catholic-Methodist Ecumenism, having been closely involved in the international conversations. There will be a chance to eat our packed lunches, and tea and coffee will be provided. We will also celebrate here the Ecumenical Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

A short bus journey will take us to the Anglican Church of St Mary, which is the parish church, and the site of the ancient shrine and spring. We will be welcomed by the Churchwardens and hear a talk on devotion to the Mother of God in the Orthodox Church from Father Anastasios Salapatas, rector of the newly built Orthodox Church in Harrow. This will be followed by an Orthodox Prayer Service.

The Wardens will tell us something of the history of the pilgrimage to Willesden and its sacred waters dating back to the foundation by King Ahtelstan in 938, in the time of the unity of the Churches of East and West. The pilgrimage was refounded in 1925, and we will be able to venerate the beautiful Black Madonna, which was placed in the Church in 1972.

The pilgrimage will conclude with Shrine Prayers and Sprinkling, followed by refreshments.

- 11 am Arrive at **Our Lady of Willesden**, for Mass. Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX. Nearest station: Willesden Junction (Overground and Bakerloo). Welcome by Fr Stephen Willis, Rector. Devotions at the Shrine
- 12-15 pm Visit to **Harlesden Methodist Church**. Talk by the Revd Leao Neto, Minister, on his time in Rome and Catholic-Methodist Ecumenical Contacts and Dialogue. Followed by Ecumenical Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Lunch Please bring a picnic lunch; drinks will be provided.
- 1-30 pm Short 266 bus ride from Harlesden Clock to Mayo Road for Willesden Parish Church
- 2-00 pm Arrive at **Anglican Church and Shrine of St Mary** and talk by Father Anastasios Salapatas. Talk on the history of the pilgrimage and its sacred spring waters.
- 3-30 pm Shrine Prayers and Sprinkling, followed by tea about 4pm. Depart: nearest station: Neasden (Jubilee Line)

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Please complete the form and return with a donation of £15 towards costs.

The 2017 Talks will be published, hopefully, in time for the May Pilgrimage.

The March 2019 Biennial Pilgrimage to Walsingham dates are:

Tuesday 19 – Friday 22 March 2019

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## **DAY PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN**

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Cheque for £..... enclosed (£15 per person payable to Ecumenical Marian Pilgrimage Trust).

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**The Pilgrimage Organiser, 26 Daysbrook Road, London SW2 3TD**