

Pilgrimage 2022



PLANNING GUIDE



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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Diocesan Pilgrimage?

Conceived originally when he was serving as Bishop of Harrisburg, PA, the idea of carrying a cross through the streets of town on the Saturday before Palm Sunday was the brainchild of William Cardinal Keeler, retired Archbishop of Baltimore. Bishop W. Francis Malooly, the Bishop of Wilmington, served as Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore under Cardinal Keeler and participated for years in the diocesan pilgrimage in Baltimore. When he arrived in Wilmington, Bishop Malooly "carried" the idea up the road and invited the young people of the Diocese of Wilmington to consider beginning their own tradition of pilgrimage.

The pilgrimage is a chance for young people, their families, and young adults in the diocese to commemorate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and his own pilgrimage to Calvary on Good Friday. During the pilgrimage, young people from parishes and schools take turns carrying the cross alongside Bishop Malooly.

The Pilgrimage Cross, a replica of the World Youth Day Cross (which was given to the young people of the world by Blessed John Paul II in 1984), was constructed by members of the Youth Leadership Team and carried at the opening liturgy of the One Spirit, One Church conference on March 1, 2009, where Bishop Malooly blessed the cross for its use in our communities.

On March 27, 2010, more than 400 youth and adult leaders carried the cross through the city streets of Wilmington in our diocese's inaugural Pilgrimage. Each year, the size of the crowd continues to grow.

Who Should Attend?

Bishop Koenig invites all young people, young adults, and families to attend.

Our definition of young people extends from the time of reception of First Communion into young adulthood. If young people are old enough to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, there should be ways we can engage them in the life, mission, and ministry of the parish.

As you put the details of your delegation together, please consider inviting high school confirmation candidates, campus ministry teams, religion classes, scouts, youth group members, athletes, youth involved in justice and service, Hispanic youth and young adults, young adult faith sharing groups, and college students.

Registration must happen ahead of time. The deadline is April 3, 2022 before the end of the business day. So that participants can get to know their diocesan neighbors - and so we know who is registered - all participants (adults and young people) will wear a name tag during the pilgrimage. Therefore, when you register a group, please be prepared to submit a list of names. If you plan to attend as a family or individual (i.e., young adults), the same process is followed.



All those under 18 (or still in high school) registering as part of a group or attending as a family, must have a completed Form B (Parental Permission and General Liability Waiver), which can be found online. Group leaders are responsible for collecting and keeping these documents. They will not be turned in to CYM. Please make sure you duplicate these documents and have each young person carry a copy of their own Form B with them during the Pilgrimage.

All adults serving as chaperones must be cleared for service according to the FSGC policies. Adults are also encouraged to fill out Form B and carry it with them in case of an emergency.

About the Pilgrimage

Participants will gather at the St. E's Center of **St. Elizabeth** parish for registration, opening prayer and a concert. The pilgrimage will begin with a procession out of the St. E's Center and down the block. From St. Elizabeth the cross will be carried to **St. Francis Hospital** where a Litany will be prayed for the patients in the hospital and the Bishop will offer a blessing for the sick and staff. We will then travel to **St. Anthony of Padua** where participants will enjoy lunch (that they will pack and bring with them the day of the event) and will be offered a chance to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation. Our pilgrimage continues to **Padua Academy** where we will participate in the Stations of the Cross. The cross will then be carried to **St. Paul**, downtown, where the pilgrimage participants will visit the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. From St. Paul parish, we will turn the corner to **St. Hedwig** parish. Here we will begin the Palm Sunday liturgy with the Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem. Finally, the pilgrimage proceeds back to **St. Elizabeth** parish for Mass with Bishop Koenig. The day ends after Mass (around 6:15 pm).

About the Cost

The cost of the Pilgrimage is \$15 per person, including all adults. The maximum cost for a family is \$45 for immediate related family members. Money collected helps CYM defray costs for permits, sound equipment, police, security, professional musicians, and any items each participant will receive. One dollar of every pilgrim's \$15 payment is set aside for use as scholarships for those in our diocese who are in need and would like to participate. Scholarship forms can be found in this Planning Guide and online at cdowcym.org.

About Food

Food is not provided as part of the overall cost of the event. Because this event is being held on parish grounds as well as city-owned property, CYM would have to acquire permits and inspections from the Health Department if we wanted to add food preparation and distribution to our time together. As a result, lunch will be a brown bag, self-serve experience, so please prepare your pilgrims accordingly.

What Should Pilgrims Bring?

Every person participating in the Pilgrimage should wear comfortable walking shoes (the entire route is about 3 miles long), as well as layered clothing. Pilgrims should bring a rosary, a good, positive attitude, and a lunch. Check the weather and dress appropriately because we walk rain or shine, regardless of the temperature. Think about bringing sunscreen, a rain poncho, gloves, hat, and sunglasses.

In addition, pilgrims should bring non-perishable food as part of our pilgrimage service component to support Catholic Charities' Stock the Pantry.



Do not bring an iPod or MP3 players, headphones, or any device that prevents you from interacting with others along the route. You will completely miss the point (and perhaps some important instructions) if you bring such items.

Cell phones are acceptable for limited use or in cases of emergencies. Please refrain from texting while walking. Please remember that CYM is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

What Should Parents Know?

Parents are invited to participate with their young person. If there are younger children in the family, they are welcome to attend with the parents but, just like anywhere in public, they are the parent's responsibility and are not part of a parish group.

All young people are welcome. If your parish or school is not sponsoring a group, you may register on your own and then will be assigned to a group during the day so an adult is responsible for your safety. All young people below grade 6 may only attend if one or both parents attend. Anyone who attends must be able to complete the 3+ mile walk.

Parents of participants who are attending as part of a parish or school group should know that CYM will do everything in its power to keep young people safe. There is police presence at the event directing traffic and all adults serving as chaperones should have been cleared by the parish youth minister, director of religious education, or school principal for service with young people. This clearance involves the successful completion of a criminal background check, the review and signing of an adult volunteer covenant, and safe environment training by parish personnel. If you have any questions about the event or the adult leaders from your parish or school, please contact either CYM (302-658-3800) or your local parish/school contact.

About Parking

There will be no parking permitted at St. Elizabeth parish (where the pilgrimage begins and ends). CYM has arranged with the City of Wilmington for parking at Canby Park.

Arriving by Bus

Please drop off your pilgrims at the St. E's Center and pick up your pilgrims on Clayton Street in front of St. Elizabeth church at 6:30 pm (following the closing Mass). Look for directional signs and volunteers directing traffic. During the day buses can be parked along Oak Street near Canby Park, just downhill from St. Elizabeth.

Can my School or Parish bring a Banner or Sign?

As in past years, all schools and parishes will be provided signs.

About Registration

Visit the CYM online registration site (www.cdowcym.org). The Pilgrimage will come up when you first reach the site, but if it does not, click "Calendar" and see the Pilgrimage listed as a featured event. All the links and resources you need to register are on that page.

Service Project

All pilgrims are asked to bring non-perishable food items to support Catholic Charities' Stock the Pantry.



About Our Musical Guest: The Scally Brothers

The Scally Brothers are an award winning dynamic duo from Toledo, OH composed of Jacob and Zach Scally.

From an early age they developed a passion for their faith and love of music. In the summer of 2019, the brothers launched their first national tour that stopped in nearly twenty states across the United States at various churches, camps, festivals, and fairs. Since then, they have traveled the U.S. sharing their heart for Youth Ministry and Young Adults.

The Scally Brothers strongly believe that their mission is to revive the youth of the Church and bring a new energy to its people. A bible verse that is modeled for the duo comes from the book of Philippians. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13).





Pilgrimage 2022 • Schedule of the Day

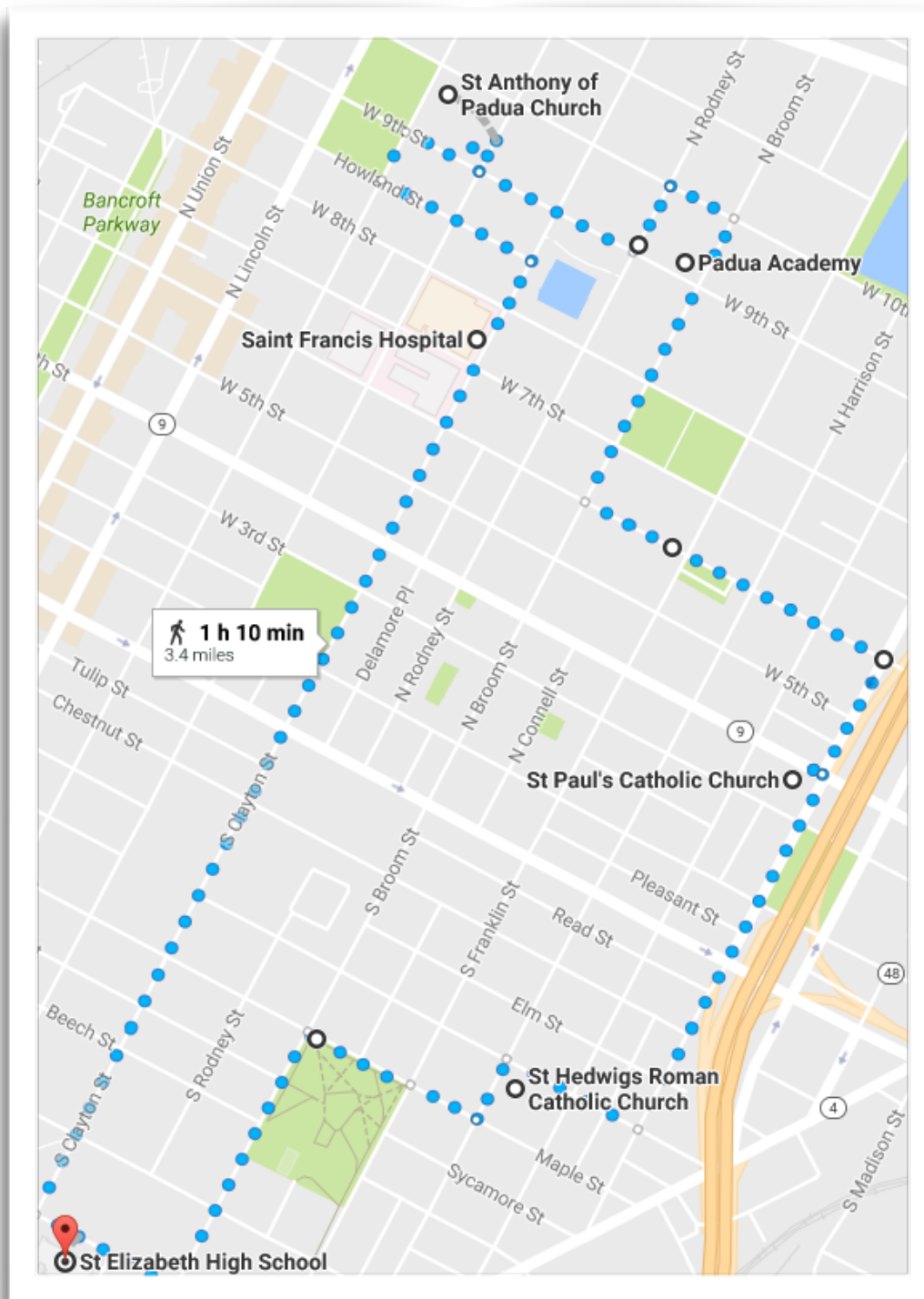
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Start Time	Programming
10:00 am	St. E Center Doors Open & Registration in Grant Hall Only group Leaders pick up bags/credentials in Grant Hall Groups drop off donation items to the volunteers & enter the St. E Center. This is where group leaders will distribute the bags.
10:30 am	Concert and Opening Prayer
11:20 am	Pilgrimage Departs
12:00 pm	Arrival at St. Francis Hospital for Litany
12:15 pm	Pilgrimage Continues
12:20 pm	Arrival at St. Anthony of Padua for Reconciliation and Lunch
1:30 pm	Pilgrimage Continues
2:00 pm	Arrival at Padua Academy for Stations of the Cross
2:45 pm	Pilgrimage Continues
3:10 pm	Arrive at St. Paul for Adoration
3:55 pm	Pilgrimage Continues
4:10 pm	Arrive at St. Hedwig for the Blessing of Palms Palms will be distributed upon our arrival at St. Hedwig.
4:25 pm	Pilgrimage Continues
4:55 pm	Arrive at St. Elizabeth
5:00 pm	Mass for Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
6:15 pm	Pilgrimage Ends



Pilgrimage 2022 Walking Route

The route will most likely change depending on traffic conditions and preference of the City of Wilmington Police who are on duty the day of the Pilgrimage.





Pilgrimage 2022 Bulletin Announcement

Please consider placing this announcement in your Sunday bulletin or in your school's daily announcement, from now until the registration deadline for the Pilgrimage (or earlier if you need to set an earlier deadline for your parish or school).

Answer Bishop Koenig's Invitation to Walk by Faith.

Bishop Koenig invites youth, young adults, and families from all parishes and schools to join him as we come together for the eleventh Pilgrimage on Saturday, April 9, 2012. Pilgrims from across the diocese will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through the streets of Wilmington with the Bishop as a representation of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and His journey on Good Friday to Calvary. The day begins at St. Elizabeth parish with opening prayer and a concert featuring The Scally Brothers at 10:30 am. We conclude with the 5pm Mass at St. Elizabeth. Don't miss this great opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. Cost for the day is \$15 per person or \$45 max per family (bring your own lunch). To register, please contact _____. For more information, visit www.cdowcym.org. Registration deadline is April 3, 2022 (*unless otherwise noted*).



Pilgrimage 2022 Parking Information

Pilgrim Drop Off and Pick Up Information

Important Addresses to Know

St. Elizabeth Church - Cedar and
Clayton Sts., Wilmington, DE 19805

Canby Park, Oak Street, Wilmington,
DE 19805.

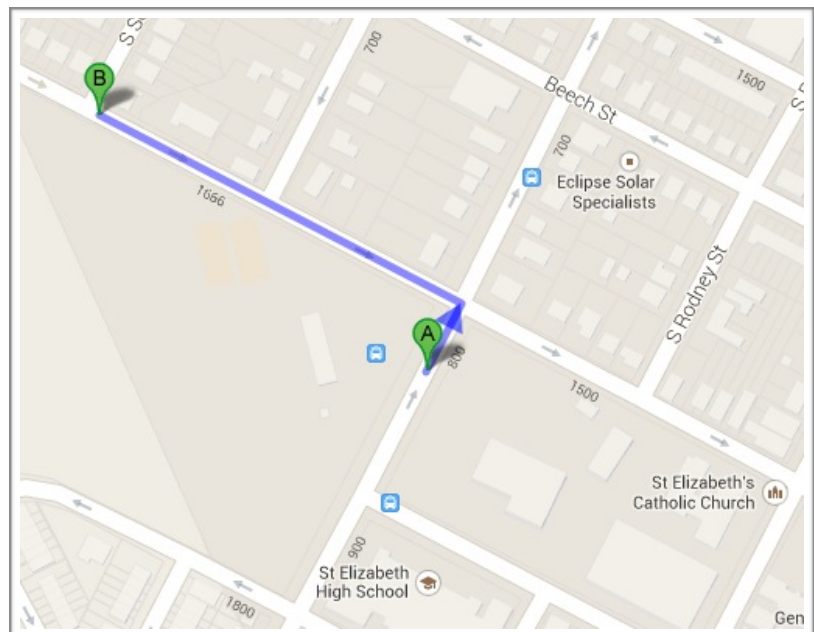
In Case of Emergencies

So that you can easily reach
someone during the Pilgrimage,
parents are encouraged to request a
contact number from parish youth
ministry leaders before the event.

There is no parking at St. Elizabeth parish (the beginning and end of the pilgrimage). There is free parking at Canby Park, located on Oak Street (down the hill from St. Elizabeth). This allows all cars and buses to be at St. Elizabeth for easy departure from the day's events.

Arriving by Car or Bus

Please drop off any participants and/or adults at St. Elizabeth or park at Canby Park and walk up the hill.



Scholarship Request

The staff of Catholic Youth Ministry tries hard to keep programming affordable. We know, given the economic climate of our country and our community, that some young people who would like to attend the Pilgrimage can not afford to do so.

Please complete the following information **before** March 21, 2022. The form is also available electronically at www.cdowcym.org. After reviewing all requests, CYM staff will contact you to let you know if your request has been granted. You will use that information when completing your registration form.

Scholarships are in the amount of \$15 each and do not include transportation or lunch.

Parish/School Name

Person Making Request

Email Address

Phone Number

Total Number of Scholarships
Requested

Total Amount Requested
(\$15/request)

Please briefly describe the
circumstances surrounding the
need for scholarships.
This information will be held in confidence.



Planning to Participate

Use this checklist to put together a group from your parish or school to attend this year's Pilgrimage. The list is not exhaustive.

Now

- ☐ Set your own registration deadline.
- ☐ Host the cross at your parish or school if you have not already done so.

6 Weeks Out

- ☐ Recruit chaperones who are already cleared for service in the diocese.
- ☐ See if anyone in your group who wants to attend needs financial assistance. If so, submit the Scholarship Request by March 21, 2022.
- ☐ Invite your principal and pastor to attend with your group.

3 Weeks Out

- ☐ Arrange buses or auto transportation for your group.
- ☐ Incorporate some of the resources in religious education classes in the weeks leading up to the Pilgrimage.
- ☐ Place the bulletin announcement in your Sunday bulletin or in the daily announcements at school.
- ☐ Registration Deadline - April 3, 2022

1 Week Out

- ☐ Encourage parish groups to volunteer their time at the Pilgrimage.
- ☐ Personally invite those you know might enjoy the event to attend.
- ☐ Choose six to eight people from your group to carry the cross with Bishop Koenig.





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