

CENTENARY WALK

Saint Edmund Campion Pilgrimage Walk

The Walk is a Centenary Event which celebrates our Catholic faith and, as it is open to the whole community, it gives the opportunity for a wide promotion of the Association.

The Walk encompasses four key locations important in the life of St Edmund Campion (1540-1581) - Oxford (where he was presented to Queen Elizabeth I and first came to public prominence); Stonor (where he practised as a Jesuit priest in hiding); Lyford Grange (where he was arrested) and Tyburn (where he was executed). The Pilgrimage starts on 7th June 2008 at Oxford Chaplaincy with a Retreat. The Walk begins the following week and over a 16 week period, progresses from Oxford and finishes near Tyburn on 30th November. Each stage of the Pilgrimage will finish at the local Catholic church for Mass, where the Holy Relics of St Edmund Campion will be present.

Devised by Jonathan Holder, a member of Maidenhead Circle, the Pilgrimage Walk is a Province 8 event with each Circle in the Province being responsible for an individual stage. The Walk is also supported by the Knights of St Columba who will be responsible for transporting the Holy Relics to each local church.

The Walk has the support of the local priests and their bishops. Indeed Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor said "It is good to hear of this initiative and I sincerely hope there will be many who will take part in it. It is an excellent way of celebrating the Catenian Association Centenary and you have my support and my blessing."



Marlow to Maidenhead



At The Holy Family, Langley: Eugene Sinnott (left); Jonathan Holder (right)



Passing the Windsor Eye



Outside St Edmund Campion Church, Maidenhead