

BEAUVALE, SUNDAY 8TH MAY 3PM

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MARTYRS

Why is there a pilgrimage here?

In 1343 a Carthusian Priory was dedicated here set in the countryside of Nottinghamshire known as "the Beautiful Vale". Here they lived a silent life of prayer and work for 200 years until the dissolution of the Monasteries, when they refused to sign the oath of Supremacy. The two Priors **Ss John Houghton and Robert Lawrence** were sentenced to death by being hung, drawn and quartered, they became the first two martyrs of the reformation and were declared saints In 1970.

What happens on this pilgrimage?

There has been a regular pilgrimage to the ruins of Priory since the 1936, for many years people walked the "Holy Mile" either from Our Lady's Church at Eastwood, or from the bottom of the lane, reciting the rosary. In 1976 together with a few others Miss Pat Miller and her mother, began the Beauvale Society to promote the history of the martyr saints, and the society is still in existence.

The pilgrimage will begin with a procession from the lane to the ruins of the Abbey with praying of the Rosary at 3pm. This will be followed by the celebration of Mass by Rt Rev. Patrick McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham; Fr Liam Carpenter Assistant Vocations Director, will preach. Refreshments and social time will follow Mass.



What do people say about this pilgrimage?

"I love this pilgrimage it is wonderful to gather with people of different ages at this holy site where you can feel the prayers of those who have worshipped God here for centuries"

Where is it?

Beauvale Abbey Farm, New Road,
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