

**DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE-PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
Code of Conduct (for adults)**

Pilgrims from the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle attending the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2016 are expected to project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity and respect for themselves and for each other during the trip. They are also expected to show respect to adult leaders. Pilgrims are expected to abide by the moral teachings and standards of the Catholic Church for the duration of the pilgrimage. They are to co-operate in creating in a healthy and appropriate atmosphere. With this in mind, we offer the following guidelines.

Participants are expected:

1. Not to possess or use illegal substances, or carry weapons of any kind.
2. To follow all schedules, rules, guidelines and emergency procedure plans of the programme facility. This includes things such as curfew, which will be at 2.00am.
3. To report any emergencies, concerns and safety issues immediately to a group leader.
4. No visiting is permitted in sleeping rooms occupied by members of the opposite sex.
5. To dress modestly and appropriately, respecting the local culture, traditions and environment.
6. Not to put down or make fun of another person.
7. To refrain from using swear words and language that others may find offensive.
8. To be on time and participate in all planned activities.
9. To be a good example for those under 18 and to support group leaders in their directives.
10. When travelling, to follow safe travel procedures as directed.
11. To work towards making the event a good and safe time for everyone.

I have read and understand the above code of conduct and commit to uphold this code during the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2016.

Printed Name

Date

Signature (Pilgrim)